WJH DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS -

Thursday, February 16, 2023 - Day 5

REMINDER: Monday, February 20th is President's day – SCHOOL IS CLOSED.

SHOUT OUTS:

Congratulations to Emma Rosenblum from the RCK Bowling Team who has qualified to be one of the five members of the Section 1 All Star Squad to compete in the state composite tournament on March 11th in Syracuse. Congratulations Emma!

Congratulations to Danny O'Callahan, Joey Collura and Robert Gargano of the Mid-Hudson Polar Bear Travel Hockey Team on winning the 12 UB Championship 4-3 this past weekend.

Congratulations to the WJH Cheer team on their 3rd place finish out of 7 teams this weekend at the Putnam Valley Tiger Tournament.

<u>WINTER SPORTS PICTURES ARE HERE!!!</u> Winter Sport Pictures have arrived. If you ordered pictures, please stop in Room 244 and see Mrs. Biegun to pick them up.

MOVIE NIGHT: We will be hosting a WJH Movie Night on Friday March 3rd immediately after school in the auditorium to see the movie Black Panther: Wakanda Forever rated PG-13. The cost of the movie is free. There will be concessions so students should bring money to purchase snacks. Due to the fact the movie is rated PG-13 your child needs to have a signed permission form to participate in the viewing of this film. Parents must pick up their child at the school by 6 pm. Pick up will be at the front flag pole entrance to the school. Completed permission forms are to be returned to the Main Office no later than Friday February 24th. Students cannot attend without a completed permission form.

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY: National Junior Honor Society is for 8th grade students ONLY. To qualify for NJHS, students must maintain a 90% or above average for ALL QUARTERS of 7th grade and for the first two quarters of 8th grade. All eighth graders that qualify to apply to NJHS will receive an invite to a google classroom. Their candidate letter, application, and website link will all be on google classroom. There will be an OPTIONAL meeting on March 1st in the large cafeteria from 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm for candidates that have questions or need help with their applications. ALL NJHS APPLICATIONS ARE DUE ON MARCH 16TH AND WILL BE TURNED IN DIGITALLY ON GOOGLE CLASSROOM.

NJHS is NOT the same thing as Honor Roll.

Please email the advisor Cara Budd (cara.budd@wcsdny.org) with any questions or concerns.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (aka HONOR ROLL) BREAKFAST: In order to celebrate our students' achievements, the PTA will sponsor a Breakfast TOMORROW, 2/17. This event is for STUDENTS ONLY. We would appreciate if you could check out the link below to donate some food items for the breakfast. All donations may be dropped off at the school on the day before (February 16th).

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0944AEA823AAFA7-wjhs

<u>PEP RALLY:</u> We will be having a Pep Rally on TOMORROW, 2/17. 7th grade students should wear blue and 8th grade students should wear red. This event is for STUDENTS ONLY. Students show your school support!!

<u>SNOWFLAKE DANCE</u>: We will be selling tickets for the WJH Snowflake Dance (March 10th 6 pm – 8 pm.) Tickets are \$10. Cash only. Tickets will be sold during lunch periods in Large Cafeteria starting Tuesday, 2/21.

WCSD 2023 STEAM/SCIENCE FAIR: You are cordially invited to the WCSD 2023 STEAM/Science Fair to be held, Saturday, March 4th (snow date Sunday March 5th) from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm at John Jay High School in the gymnasium.

<u>LOST AND FOUND</u>: The lost and found table in the lobby is overflowing with outerwear, lunch boxes and water bottles. Please have your child claim any lost items before Friday, 2/17. After that date, all unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity.

<u>INTRAMURALS:</u> Tuesday-Friday 6:30AM Basketball/ Soccer Wednesday & Thursday after school 2:30-3:45 floor hockey!

<u>SPRING SPORTS:</u> Registration for Spring Sports will begin soon. Please wait for announcements from WCSD Athletics. WJH Spring Sports are Baseball, Softball, Lacrosse, and Spring Track.

<u>I-READY</u>: In an effort to increase your success with school, we are implementing a building wide i-Ready schedule. On a daily basis, you will have the opportunity to complete i-Ready lessons.

YEARBOOKS: WJHS yearbooks are now on sale online at:

https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/WJHS2022-2023

Get them now before prices go up after March 31st!

YEARBOOK PHOTOS NEEDED -

- Please continue to submit pictures! We are in need of pictures. You can upload photos from your phone via the Entourage Link app (School code 67372) or email pictures to wearewappingersyearbook@gmail.com
- All 8th grade families, please submit a baby picture of your child to wearewappingersyearbook@gmail.com and include your child's name.

<u>DC/BOSTON FIELD TRIP FUND RAISER:</u> The Krispy Kreme fundraiser Cash and orders are due TODAY to Chellie Milanese (room 202), Renay Cerrato (room 218), or Tonya Liberta (room 206).

This fundraiser will benefit any 7th or 8th grader going to Boston or DC who participates in the fundraiser! Help them out!! Pick up of orders will be on 2/23 from 3 pm – 6 pm.

NYSSMA: Any student interested in performing a NYSSMA Solo, please pick up a registration form from the Main Office. Band and Orchestra students please see either Mrs. Daniels or Mr. Closson for the forms. Registration forms must be turned in with payment by March 1st. Jazz Solos are at a different location so students should see Mrs. Daniels if you are performing a Jazz Solo. This year's NYSSMA Solo Festival will be at John Jay High School on May 19th and 20th.

<u>STUDENT GOVERNMENT:</u> Student Government is sponsoring a Black History Month Art, Essay and Oratory Contest. Students can choose to submit one of the following:

- 1. Submit a 1-page essay pertaining to Dr. Martin Luther King's Legacy.
- 2. Personal Art Work depicting the Civil Rights Movement.
- 3. Recite the first few lines of his famous speech "I Have A Dream". Must sound like Dr. King.

All winners will receive gift card passes for the Regal Cinema. Contest ends on Friday, 2/24.

<u>DRAMA</u>: Attention Cast & Crew of Willy Wonka Jr. Cast Rehearsals are Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays please check google classroom for the full schedule.

<u>STAGE CREW:</u> Stage crew students will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays with Mr. McDonald after school until late bus.

<u>ENL EXTRA HELP</u>: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays students meet with Ms. Cosme & Ms. Boutros until late bus. <u>Thursday 2/16 EXTRA HELP IS CANCELLED</u>.

<u>SKI CLUB:</u> We are really hoping to get more students who are interested in joining for the ski trips on February 26th and March 12th. If you are still interested in attending a trip, please get your forms in the main office and return to Mrs. Hardt in room 234 or to Mrs. Nevel. as soon as possible."

Here is the google classroom link: https://classroom.google.com/c/NTc5MDUwMjY0MjU4?cjc=ugidvdg

Class Code: ugidvdg

<u>MATH HELP:</u> District Wide Math Help is offered most Wednesdays from 7-8 pm at Van Wyck Jr. High. Here is a link to the District page regarding it:

https://www.wappingersschools.org/Page/30702

<u>HOMEWORK HELP</u>: This is for 7th and 8th grade students who might be in need of extra help in Math and other core subjects. This will be held in Room 206 with Mrs. Liberta & Mrs. Milanese.

Here is the schedule:

Tuesdays - February 21 Tuesdays - March 14 & 28 Tuesdays - April 11 & 25 Tuesdays - May 16 & 30

Students can take the late bus home at 3:50 pm or be picked up by parents.

WJH PTA:

MEMBERSHIP LINK: https://wjhspta.memberhub.com/store?limit=21&live=true
Follow us on facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Wapp]rPTA/

<u>PARENT PICK UP:</u> We are asking our parents who pick up their children at dismissal to NOT BLOCK the road by the Transportation Office/Bus Garage location at Remsen Avenue entrance. Please be respectful and leave at least (1) car length space empty by their driveway entrance.

EARLY DISMISSALS: We will no longer take any emails, notes or parent phone calls after 1 pm DAILY for student early dismissals, permission to walk home, or parent pick up at dismissal (except for emergencies). You must notify the office earlier in the day.

<u>ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL:</u> If your child is absent from school, you do not need to contact the school office. Please send a written note explaining the reason for the absence upon your child's return to school.

SUBMITTING NOTES: Please send all notes to carol.naughton@wcsdny.org

<u>BUS PASSES</u>: Bus passes will only be issued for transportation emergencies. If a student is riding another bus with another student, we need a note from both parents in order to process a bus pass.

<u>LATE BUSES</u>: We will have late buses for after school activities on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The buses will load at 3:50 pm and depart school at 4:00 pm on these dates.

<u>STUDENT OF THE MONTH</u>: The Rotary Club of Wappingers Falls recognized the Students of the month from Roy C. Ketcham High School, Wappingers Junior High School, Evans Elementary and Myers Corners Elementary. Each student receives a certificate from the Rotary Club of Wappingers Falls, Town of Wappinger Supervisor Richard Thurston and a Letter from the Village of Wappingers Falls Mayor Rick Cerino.

Congratulations to all our students who received the nominations for Student of the Month!! September – Haley Washall

October - Anthony Enriquez Sanchez

November: Leah Scheider December – Trevor Rhodes January – Arianna Sloniker February – Caylee Overton

DATES TO REMEMBER/SAVE THE DATES: (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

February 17 - Pep Rally - Periods 8 & 9

February 17 - Honor Roll Breakfast - Periods 1 & 2

February 20 - President's Day - (NO SCHOOL FOR STAFF/STUDENTS)

February 24 - SNOW DATE for Honor Roll Breakfast

March 1 - National Junior Honor Society Optional Meeting 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm in Large Cafeteria

March 3 – WJH Movie Night – 2:30 pm – 6:00 pm in Auditorium

March 4 - WCSD STEAM/Science Fair @ John Jay HS 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

March 5 - SNOW DATE for STEAM/Science Fair

March 10 - Snowflake Dance - 6pm - 8 pm Tickets \$10

March 11 - Marking Period Quarter 3 Progress Reports available in Parent Portal

March 15 & 16 - Spring Picture Days

March 17 - Superintendent Conference Day - (NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS)

March 24, 25 - WJH Spring Production of Willy Wonka Jr. 7 pm

March 30 & 31 - 7th grade trip to Boston, MA

March 31 - Marking Period Quarter 3 ends

April 3 - 10 - Spring Recess - (NO SCHOOL FOR STAFF/STUDENTS)

April 11 - Marking Period Quarter 4 begins

April 15 - Report Cards available in Parent Portal

April 19 – 21 – ELA NYS Assessment Examination

May 2 – 4 – Math NYS Assessment Examination

May 5 - 8th grade Dance

May 10, 11 & 12 - 8th grade trip to Washington, DC

May 11 - WJH Spring Concert - 7th Grade

May 16 - WJH Spring Concert - 8th Grade

May 20 - Marking Period Quarter 4 Progress Reports available in Parent Portal

May 23 - Science NYS Assessment Examination

May 25 - National Junior Honor Society Ceremony - 3:00 pm

May 29 - Memorial Day - (NO SCHOOL FOR STAFF/STUDENTS)

May 31 - Night of Jazz

June 15 - 8th grade Moving Up Ceremony

June 19 - Juneteenth - (NO SCHOOL FOR STAFF/STUDENTS)

June 20 - 22 - Half Day Schedule for Students - Dismissal at 10:30 am

June 22 - Last Day of School for Students

June 23 – Superintendent Conference Day – (NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS)

Thank you.

WE ARE WAPPINGERS