

# WJH DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS -

## Wednesday February 8, 2023 - Day 5

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY: Friday, 2/10 is a Professional Development day. This is a half day for students. Dismissal will be at 10:30 am. NO BUS PASSES WILL BE ISSUED ON FRIDAY. ALL STUDENTS MUST GO HOME ON THEIR REGULAR DISMISSAL BUSES.

NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELOR WEEK: This week recognizes the vital roles school counselors play in the lives of students across the country. Each year, during the first full school week in February, schools and teachers take time to show appreciation to the counselors who've made an impact on the lives of their students. When you see Ms. Califano, Ms. Peratikos and Ms. Wells, say "Thank you for all you do!"

WRESTLING: From Coach Varco – wrestling team will be having their last meeting on Friday, 2/10 from 5 pm – 6 pm.

CIVILITY PRIDE CLUB: Civility Pride Club with Mr. Pogemiller-Kermani is cancelled for today.

ELA AFTER SCHOOL HELP: ELA After school help with Mrs. Slosower is cancelled today.

ENL AFTER SCHOOL HELP: ENL After School help with Ms. Cosme and Ms. Boutros is cancelled today.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to the boys and girls basketball teams and Coaches Lynch and Opitz as they ended their season last night with away games against Van Wyck!!

JAZZ BAND: Jazz Band will meet this Thursday, 2/9 after school until 3:30 pm.

ART INTEGRATION: Art Integration will meet today, 2/7 in Room 217 until the late bus.

LOST AND FOUND: 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.

I-ready: 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.

Wednesday 2/8 – Reading i-Ready lesson will be in 8<sup>th</sup> grade ELA classes.

Thursday 2/9 – Reading i-Ready lesson will be in Clothing classes.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (formerly HIGH HONOR & HONOR ROLL): is now posted on our WJH website. Congratulations!!!

HONOR ROLL BREAKFAST: In order to celebrate our students' achievements, the PTA will sponsor an Honor Roll Breakfast on 2/17. 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 16<sup>th</sup>).

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

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!

PTA MESSAGE: We have a fundraiser at Bounce on Friday 2/10 from 6 pm – 9 pm. See attached flyer for more information.

DC/BOSTON FIELD TRIP FUND RAISER: Can you help us raise some dough? Students will be selling Krispy Kreme Glazed Doughnuts starting 2/1 – All Money due on 2/15 to Mrs. Cerrato (Room 218) or Mrs. Liberta (Room 206) or Mr. Coelho (Room 213). Cost is \$12/dozen with proceeds going toward the field trip expenses. 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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> into 9<sup>th</sup> ORIENTATION: We will have a parent/student orientation for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students going to 9<sup>th</sup> grade at RCK HS Auditorium on Thursday, 2/9 from 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm.

FACULTY/STUDENT BASKETBALL GAME: we will be having a faculty/student basketball game on Wednesday, 2/8 from 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm. The staff is currently 5-0 and they are looking to keep their undefeated streak going!! Sign up will begin Monday, 2/6, during lunch periods. Suggested \$2 donation for students to attend. Students must sign up and receive a ticket in order to attend this event. All proceeds will go to the local CAPE foundation.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT: 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.

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

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

ENL EXTRA HELP: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays students meet with Ms. Cosme & Ms. Boutros until late bus. CANCELLED FOR TODAY.

SKI CLUB: "The ski club trip scheduled for this Sunday, 2/12 has been cancelled. 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

MATH HELP: 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>

YEARBOOK ANNOUNCEMENT: -

- 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](mailto:wearewappingersyearbook@gmail.com)

- All 8th grade families, please submit a baby picture of your child to [wearewappingersyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:wearewappingersyearbook@gmail.com) and include your child's name.

HOMEWORK HELP : 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/WappJrPTA/>

PARENT PICK UP: 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.**

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL: 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](mailto:carol.naughton@wcsdny.org)

BUS PASSES: 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.

LATE BUSES: 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.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: 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

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

February 8 - Faculty/Student Basketball game - 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm - \$2/donation

February 9 - 8<sup>th</sup> into 9<sup>th</sup> grade Parent Orientation/Elective Fair @ RCK HS 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

February 10 - Professional Development Day - Half day for students dismissal 10:30 am

February 16 - SNOW DATE for 8<sup>th</sup> into 9<sup>th</sup> Parent Orientation/Elective Fair

February 17 - Honor Roll Breakfast - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED  
February 20 - President's Day - (NO SCHOOL FOR STAFF/STUDENTS)  
February 24 - SNOW DATE for Honor Roll Breakfast  
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 Day  
March 17 - Superintendent Conference Day - (NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS)  
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 - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
May 16 - WJH Spring Concert - 8<sup>th</sup> 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