DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS - Today is Monday September 11th - Day Cycle 4

Today we remember...September 11th was officially declared as Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance by President Joe Biden. It is a day to remember and honor all the lives lost 22 years ago in the terrorist attacks and to recognize the dedication of the heroes who have served this nation since then.

This is our format for our daily announcements via BlackBoard so you will know what is going on at WJHS. We use this platform to keep our community informed of our activities, events, sport schedules, and other important messages. We do apologize, in advance, if some of this information gets to be repetitive.

Drop off in the morning is 7:00 am. No student will be allowed into the building before 7:00 am. Pick up time is 2:20 pm. Parents who are dropping off and/or picking up their child should enter the school property via the Maple Street/S. Remsen Avenue entrance. No vehicles are allowed thru the Middlebush Road entrance.

CHROMEBOOK: Any 7th grade student who has not received a chromebook, should stop in main office to pick up their agreement form. This form must be signed by parent and student before chromebook will be given. New 8th grade student chromebooks are on back-order. Students will need to wait for them to come in to the District before distribution.

LOCKERS: All students were given a locker on the first day of school. Students should be using their lockers to store their backpacks and personal belongings. Please make sure your child memorizes their locker number and combinations.

WASHINGTON DC: Parents – there will be a parent meeting on 9/19 at 7:00 pm to discuss the 8^{th} grade Washington DC Trip. If you are interested in your child attending this field trip, please plan on attending. The trip is scheduled for May 15 thru 17.

BOSTON MA: Parents – there will be a parent meeting on 9/19 at 6:00 pm to discuss the 7th grade Boston, MA trip. If you are interested in your child attending this field trip, please plan on attending. The trip is scheduled for April 18 and 19.

I-READY: Please read the attached letter.

Fall Window	Winter Window	Spring Window
9/11/23 - 11/03/23	01/02/23 - 03/11/23	04/29/24 - 06/14/24

Administration dates for each diagnostic will be shared in advance. Fall diagnostic dates:

Math: Thursday, September 14, 2023 Reading: Thursday, September 21, 2023

<u>LATE BUSES</u>: Transportation will be supplying us with (4) late buses to run every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for after school activities. The late buses will leave WJH at 4 pm each of these days. Students need to check the buses to see what stop is closest to their home drop off. This list will be posted in the lobby for students to view. We hope some of our

students trying out for a fall sport can use the late bus to take home. Have your child check with their coach.

CELL PHONES: It is the policy of the WCSD that students in grades 7 & 8 will be prohibited from possessing smart phones, smart watches (i.e. internet enabled devices) and other electronic devices and related accessories (i.e. earbuds) on their person during the school day without permission from the Building Principal. Smart devices and related accessories may be stored in a school bag (turned off) for before or after school use.

<u>PE INTRAMURALS</u> – PE Intramurals will be this week Monday thru Friday 6:30 am – 7:25 am – students will need a ride to school to participate.

FROM WAPPINGERS CREW:

Monday September 11th at 7 PM - Parent Meeting - We will hold a brief virtual parent meeting to explain our LTR program and answer any questions you may have. If we already have your email, the meeting link will be sent out at a later date.
 Email WCCWinning@gmail.com for the link if you did not receive it!

SPORT TRY-OUTS

Volleyball - Coach Calvin 8th grade students - try out will begin September 11 7th grade students - try out will begin September 12 Combined 7th & 8th grade students - try out will begin September 13 Time 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm in the WJH Gymnasium

Boys Soccer - Coach Lynch

try outs will be September 11 thru 13 - 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm at WJH (on the soccer field)

Field Hockey - Coach C. Sautter

try outs will be September 11 thru 13 - 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm at WJH (on the soccer field)

Girls Soccer - Coach Callaway

try outs will be September 11 thru 13 - 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm at WJH (on the football field)

Cheerleading - Coach E Sautter

try outs will be September 11 thru 13 - 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm at WJH (in the Large Cafeteria) All Athletes signed up in the FamilyID for cheerleading have received a google classroom invite. This invitation must be accepted ASAP. The mandatory virtual information meeting will be using the link in the google classroom. This meeting is for athletes and parents.

From Cross Country - Coach Atkins

The Modified Cross Country team is considered a walk-on team (no tryouts). Students just need to be cleared on FamilyID. We will also take students if they do not make the other teams. We will have an (in-person) informational meeting on Friday, Sept 8th after school, runners will need to have a ride home by 3:00 pm.

XC will officially start on Monday, September 11th. All runners need to meet in the Technology wing near the double doors. Runners should have good running shoes, comfortable clothing and personal water bottles. The google Classroom will have more information.

School Notes: All notes should be handed into 1st period teachers upon arrival at school. Notes will be collected and turned into the Main Office each day.

Absent Notes: You do not need to call the school to report your child absent. Please send in a note with date(s) and reason for absence upon the child's return to school.

If you need to send a note to the school, please send to any of the following: 7th grade to Lisa Biegun – <u>lisa.biegun@wcsdny.org</u>
8th grade to Cherrine Morrison – <u>cherrine.morrison@wcsdny.org</u>
Or to me – Arlene Donovan – <u>arlene.donovan@wcsdny.org</u>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Main Office (845) 298-5200 Ext. 21000.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 6 – First day of School

September 19 – Parent Meeting for Boston, MA (7th grade) and Washington DC (8th grade) Field

Trip – 6:00 pm for Boston, 7:00 pm for Washington

September 25 – Holiday – No School for Students

September 26 – Parents As Partners Night (Open House)

Remember....."WE ARE WAPPINGERS"