WJH Daily Announcements - December 3rd - Day Cycle 1

<u>SPELLING BEE WINNER</u>!!: Congratulations to Alona Vinod, who earned a PERFECT SCORE in the WJHS Spelling Bee, and is our winner! A special shout-out also goes to Purav Swaminarayan, who is our runner-up.

Alona will be moving on to represent our school in the WCSD District Spelling Bee to be held, in-person, on Thursday, December 16th 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm at WJH Auditorium.

Fall Sports Pictures have arrived!! Please see Mrs. Biegun in Room 244 this week to pick up your pictures.

WINTER CONCERT INFORMATION: Our Winter Concert dates:

Wednesday December 8 -Band 7 will perform 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm Band 8 will perform 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm

Thursday December 9 - Orchestra Grades 7 & 8/Chorus Grades 7 & 8 Orchestra will perform 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm Chorus will perform 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm

These concerts are going to be held, in-person, at Roy C Ketcham HS.

WRESTLING: (Coach Gianni Palanca): Students will take shuttle bus to RCK at dismissal. Students will meet in the lobby and be escorted to their shuttle bus. Parents can pick up their children after try outs no later than 4:30 pm.

WINTER BASKETBALL TRY OUTs END TODAY!!

BOYS BASKETBALL: Coach Robert Lynch

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Coach Brandon Opitz

<u>WJH DRAMA</u>: We are very excited to announce that this year's Spring Musical will be Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella! (THIS IS NOT THE DISNEY VERSION OF CINDERELLA) Any students interested in auditioning for the cast should attend the informational meeting on Tuesday, December 7th afterschool in the Auditorium until 3:45 pm.

MANY OF OUR STUDENTS ARE ARRIVING AT SCHOOL WITHOUT A MASK. (MASKS ARE A REQUIREMENT). IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PARENTS PROVIDE THEIR CHILD WITH A MASK TO WEAR AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

MANY OF OUR STUDENTS ARE FORGETTING THEIR CHROMEBOOKS. STUDENTS NEED TO REMEMBER TO BRING THEIR CHROMEBOOKS TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY!

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE: Dutchess County Protocol for Symptomatic or Positive COVID 19 students or staff:

Dutchess County Contact Tracing Workflow Chart:

WINTER CHEERLEADING: Coach Emily Marold

The WJHS Cheer Team is collecting non-perishable food items for Dutchess County foster families through Fostering Hope Together through 12/10/21. A donation box is located in the lobby and items accepted are canned corn, canned green beans, cream of mushroom soup, frenches crispy onions, instant mashed potatoes, baked stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, apple sauce, brownie mix, sugar cookie mix and gift cards to local grocery stores. We appreciate our schools support!

Late Buses: We will have late buses every Tuesday and Thursday. It will pick up students at 3:50 pm and leaves WJH at 4:00 pm.

JAZZ BAND (Mrs. Daniels): Jazz Band will meet every Thursday from 2:25 pm - 3:45 pm.

STAGE CREW (Mr. McDonald): Stage crew & props will be meeting Tuesdays & Thursdays (Nov 30 - Dec 21) from 2:25 pm - 3:50 pm in the Auditorium.

HOMEWORK HELP FOR 7TH GRADERS (Mrs. Liberta & Mrs. Milanese)

Students are able to stay after school in room 206 or they can join the Google Meet.

The code is: jb75vomRoom 206

December: 12/7 & 12/21

EXTRA HELP Math - 8th Grade

8th Grade Math Teachers are working together to provide as many opportunities for extra help as possible.

Monday afternoons - Room 144 - Ms. Price

Tuesday afternoons – Room 140 – Ms. Marold

Wednesday afternoons - Room 140 - Ms. Bush

Thursday afternoons - Room 130 - Mrs. Conklin

Friday Mornings Extra help will be at 6:45 am with Mrs. Nevel.

THERE WILL BE NO EXTRA HELP ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Monday December 6, Tuesday December 14, Wednesday December 22, and Thursday December 23.

The last day of extra help will be Tuesday December 21.

Extra help will also be available by appointment Mondays thru Thursdays (AM) with Mrs. Nevel BY APPOINTMENT. Reach out to her on her google voice (845) 391-3731 to make an appointment.

There will be late buses on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4 pm. You will need your own ride for the morning help or extra help after school on Mondays and Wednesdays. Extra help on Mondays and Wednesdays goes until 3:30 pm.

If you need to log in virtually for extra help, you can go to the following link!

Math Extra Help – Virtual Link https://meet.google.com/lookup/hmfcaa5rnb

WJH PTA MESSAGES

Don't forget to renew your membership for the 2021-2022 school year by using the link below:

https://wjhspta.memberhub.com/store

WJHS PTA is having a SHOE Drive!

***Shoes can be dropped off anytime during school in the School Vestibule - there will be a box. The last day is December 17th to drop off shoes.

We are accepting all gently worn, used and new shoes, sneakers and even cleats.

However, there are some restrictions, which are as follows:

- *single shoes or mismatched pairs of shoes
- *ice skates
- *rollerblades / roller skates
- *wet/moldy shoes
- *shoes with holes or tears.

YEARBOOK -

Below is the Link for yearbook sales. The site is now active and yearbooks can be purchased for \$35. We will be setting up sales at any event we can attend so that students can pay in cash, and pending approval from the PTA, checks as well.

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

FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

Parents can email absent or early dismissal notes to the Main Office at carol.naughton@wcsdny.org.

All school notes should be handed into 1st period class teacher at the beginning of class EACH MORNING. Teachers will place notes in folders on the classroom doors for pick up by school monitor.

Bus passes will not be issued at this time.

CELEBRATE DECEMBER'S NATIONAL DAYS:

 $\underline{\text{Today}}$ - Faux Fur Friday, observed on the first Friday in December, provides a stylish way to wear and buy faux fur.

Also known as fake fur, the textile made its debut in 1929. Initially made from alpaca wool, faux fur increased in quality as synthetic fibers became available. The fibers not only allowed for more variety and texture, but they also provided warmth. While the neo fur didn't breath as well as animal fur, nor did it insulate as well, it lasted longer. Animal fur required refrigeration to avoid degrading.

Whether you call it fake, imitation or simulated, faux fur has found a place in fashion. Designers use it as an accent on clothing. They also create decor and entire ensembles. Faux fur comes in every color imaginable, too.

Thank you.

Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS!!