WJH Daily Announcements - February 16th - Day Cycle 3

Monday, February 21st is President's Day (Holiday) - No School for Students/Staff

FROM DR. BONK - SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The New York State Department of Health, in coordination with the NYS Governor's Office, has distributed another round of COVID-19 Home Test Kits to school districts across the State. We will make these kits available to those who wish to pick them up on Thursday, February 17th. Test kits will be available for pick-up from all of our school locations immediately after the school day has ended. For those families who typically pick up their children from school, we will be handing out test kits to everyone in the pick-up line who wishes to receive one. In addition, all of our schools will be open an additional 90 minutes after dismissal to distribute test kits in a drive up / pick up fashion.

We will be handing out test kits at WJHS at the front of the school building (by flag pole where we have parent drop off/pick up) from 2:30 pm until 4:00 pm on Thursday, February 17th. This will be a quick drive up/pick up procedure. No check in required. Parents will remain in their vehicles and inform staff as to the number of kits needed for their children.

Thank you, again, for all of your continued support of our district, students, and staff!

WINTER SPORT PICTURES

Winter Sports Pictures have arrived! If you or your parents ordered pictures, please see Mrs. Biegun in Room 244 to pick them up.

FROM MR. CALVIN: Girls Rock STEAM event at Kingston High School March 26th from 9am to 12pm. The event usually fills to capacity and is open to young women grades 5-8. Gotta register using the site found below. Check it out!

https://sites.google.com/view/girlsrocksteam/home?authuser=1

STEAM/SCIENCE FAIR

Annual STEAM/Science Fair for grades 5-12 will be held on Saturday, March 5^{th} (snowdate is March 6^{th}) in the Gymnasium at John Jay High School (8:00 am - 3:00 pm) with Public viewing from 12 pm - 3pm. Our budding scientists throughout the district will be displaying their projects to be judged by a wide variety of professionals in the world of science, mathematics, technology and engineering within our community.

CHILDCARE FORMS FOR 2022-2023

TRANSPORTATION HAS UPDATED THEIR CHILDCARE TRANSPORTATION FORM FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR. PLEASE SEE ATTACHED FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

LOST & FOUND:

The lost and found closet / table will be cleaned out on Friday, February 25th. All unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity. Please check to see if you lost any items.

If your child lost a HYPLAND jacket, please contact the Main Office.

WJH NEWSLETTERS:

Our WJH Monthly Newsletters (September, October, November & December/January) are now available on our WJHS website. Take a moment to view and read about what's happening here at WJH.

Click link below:

https://www.wappingersschools.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=1003&ModuleInstanceID=4110&ViewID=6446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=61009&PageID=6077

PTA MESSAGE:

HONOR ROLL BREAKFAST - February 23rd. - SAVE THE DATE!!

The WJHS PTA is requesting donations for the annual honor roll breakfast for our second quarter honor roll students. Event will be held during school on February 23rd. Items can be dropped off on February 18th or February 22nd at the school. Please click this link to sign up to donate!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A4AA8A82EA0F49-wjhs

If you wish to volunteer at this event, please email wappingers ir highpta@gmail.com

Our 8th Grade Grad Signs and Banners are available for sale!

Sale ends May 6th, so we can have delivery in the beginning of June.

https://wjhspta.memberhub.com/store

FROM MUSIC DEPT:

Any student interested in registering for the NYSSMA Solo Festival please see Mr. King, Mrs. Daniels or Mr. Closson in the Auditorium. Registration is due on or before February 18, 2022.

FROM MAIN OFFICE:

Parents: If you are picking up your child for early dismissal, the school requires a written note. Please make sure you have a written note at time of pick up. If you child is absent from school, please send a written note upon your child's return to school.

All school notes (absent/early dismissal/late or tardy/pick up at dismissal) must be handed into 1^{st} period class teacher at the beginning of class each day. Teachers will place notes in folders on the classroom doors for pick up.

Notes can be emailed to: carol.naughton@wcsdny.org

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE: New Online Covid-19 Resource & Information for our Families from the Superintendent, Dr. Bonk:

https://www.wappingersschools.org/Page/33897

FROM THE LIBRARY: "Students, please check your school emails for overdue library notices. Any questions, stop by the library and see Mrs. Green."

"Participate in the WJH Winter Book Bingo with your fellow students, and be entered into a raffle for a \$25 gift card. Stop by the library and see Mrs. Green for more information!"

CLUB INFORMATION:

When our clubs & extra help classes meet on either Tuesdays or Thursdays from 2:30 pm until 3:50 pm there are late buses for students to take home.

<u>CULTURAL RESPONSE CLUB</u>: The next CRC meeting will be on Wednesday, February 16th, until 3:30pm in Room 148 (Mr. PKs room). I am very excited to announce that at our next meeting we will begin our work with the Art Effect! Since the meeting is on a Wednesday, in order to attend in person, you will need a ride home between 3:30 - 4:00, or you can take the regular dismissal bus

home and attend virtually through the meet link in google classroom We look forward to

seeing everyone there

FROM STUDENT GOVERNMENT: Attention all students!! Student Government is sponsoring a Black History Month Art and Essay contest for the month of February, 1-18 - You have a choice:

- 1) Draw a piece of artwork pertaining to the civil rights movement of the 60s or
- 2) Write a one-page essay of Dr. King's legacy. Winners will receive a gift certificate/pass for two to attend the Poughkeepsie Galleria, Regal Theater! Please submit your work to Mr. Ramirez @ M-11 by Feb. 18, 2022.

DRAMA - Wednesday, 2/16 - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - in Auditorium

Thursday, 2/17 - 2:30 pm - 3:50 pm - in Room M-10

Saturday, 2/19 - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm - in Auditorium

<u>JAZZ BAND</u>: Thursday, 2/17 - 2:30 pm - 3:50 pm in Auditorium - there will be a 4:00 pm concert "Afternoon of Jazz" Students please wear your t-shirts or all black attire for the concert.

EXTRA MATH HELP 8TH GRADE

The math 8 teachers made some changes to the extra help we are providing to accommodate the need to also support the Math AIS After-School Program. Going forward, extra help will be PM Tuesday thru Thursday and AM on Mondays and Fridays. Please see the attached for our updated Extra Help schedule and link to the virtual sessions.

7TH GRADE HOMEWORK HELP W/MRS. LIBERTA & MRS. MILANESE

Students are able to stay after school in Room 206 or they can join the Google Meet - the code is: $jb75vomRoom\ 206$

March: 3/8 and 3/22

AFTER SCHOOL EXTRA HELP ELA & MATH - THIS WEEK SCHEDULE

Thursday 2/17 - ELA meets in Room 134 / Math meets in Room 130

<u>WAPPINGERS CREW CLUB</u>: Crew Club students will meet in Room 113 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm to await bus to pick up for practices. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, students will go to after school extra help for either ELA or Math in rooms shown above. These rooms change weekly so crew students will be responsible to check the daily announcements and plan accordingly.

WJH PTA MESSAGES:

Yearbooks are on sale. The site is now active and yearbooks can be purchased for \$35. https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/WJHS2022

8th grade baby pictures - there is still time to submit your baby pictures for the yearbook.

Submit pictures to this link: Wearewappingers@gmail.com

STUDENTS NEED TO REMEMBER TO BRING A MASK TO SCHOOL.

STUDENTS NEED TO BRING THEIR CHROMEBOOKS TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

CELEBRATE NATIONAL DAY (FEBRUARY):

TODAY: National Do A Grouch A Favor Day is a call to kindness on February 16th. Everyone knows a grouch, and some of us may even be guilty of being one. On February 16th, maybe you can be the one to find the sweeter side of a grouch.

For some, it's in their nature to be grouches all of the time; while others may just be having a rough day or two. On National Do a Grouch a Favor Day, we have an opportunity to turn the grouches frown, upside down!

A grouch can be called by a number of names, some of which won't be described here. However, a few that might come in handy are curmudgeon, crank, grump, sourpuss, bellyacher, malcontent, crab, and grumbler. If you manage to turn their mood around they might become known as the neighborhood idealist.

The grouch that you know might be a friend, relative, co-worker, boss, neighbor or someone who lives in your house. The favor you do on National Do a Grouch a Favor Day can be simple or elaborate. Either way, doing them a favor is going to feel right for you!!

Thank you.

Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS!!