WJH Daily Announcements - March 31 - Day Cycle 1

Happy Thursday!!

NYS ELA ASSESSMENT: the NYS Grades 6-8 ELA test make-up exams will begin Friday, April 1 thru April 8, 2022.

CINDERELLA:

Congratulations to the Cast, Crew and Advisors of Cinderella for two delightful performances!

<u>SHOUT OUT</u>: Good Luck to RCK Masque & Mime students on their production of "Fiddler on the Roof", this weekend - Friday April 1st, Saturday April 2nd and Sunday April 3rd. Tickets available - go to their website for more details.

Wappingers Junior High School will be having our 3rd Little Doctors blood drive of the school year on Thursday, March 31st in room 105 from 2:30 PM until 7:00 PM. Sign up to donate, save lives and be a silent hero.

Please Speak with a team 7-Yellow student to make an appointment, or reach out to Mrs. Hardt at rosellen.hardt@wcsdny.org

<u>CONGRATULATIONS TO STUDENT(s) OF THE WEEK:</u> Iago DaSilva & Nicholas Cerone.

RCK CHEER BOOSTER -

The Ketcham cheerleading coaches will hold an informational meeting for current 8th grade students (and parents) interested in trying out for the Ketcham cheer teams next season on Tuesday, April 5th at 7:00 pm in the WJHS Cafeteria.

Support RCK & WJH Cheer with Spring chocolates!! Our site is live through 4/4. Orders shipped directly to you and are guaranteed delivery in time for Easter. www.myniagarastore.com/RCKCHEER

The Ketcham Varsity Cheerleaders and coaching staff are offering a cheer clinic on Saturday, May 21st at RCK. This clinic is open to all students in 7th and 8th grade interested in learning skills in cheer, dance and stunting! Space is limited! Click link below:

https://www.familyid.com/wappingers-central-school-district-continuing-ed-driver-education/rck-cheer-clinic

<u>Girl Scout Troop 10580</u> is collecting used eye glasses and readers to help people in need get glasses so they can see properly. We are working with the Lions Club International program. We will be placing a donation box in our school for the month of April.

Attached below, please find our digital flyer.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1acYsIT_R5FXBgELjnHjERELKRVpJb5suujenuayH1z4/edit

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY: National Junior Honor Society is for 8th grade students only. NJHS Candidates have been added to a google classroom. All applications were due on 3/18. Contact Cara Budd with questions or concerns.

Email: <u>Cara.budd@wcsdny.org</u> Ceremony will be Thursday April 21st.

JR. HIGH SPRING SPORTS:

Boys Baseball, Girls Softball, Boys & Girls Lacrosse & Boys & Girls Spring Track.

MODIFIED BASEBALL; Coach Jonnathan Cepeda.

Email: jcepeda2409@gmail.com

Students will take a shuttle bus @ 2:30 pm today to Robinson Lane Field for practice.

MODIFIED GIRLS LACROSSE Coach Valerie Boscia

Email: valerie.boscia@wcsdny.org

Coach has set up practice schedule with students.

<u>MODIFIED BOYS LACROSSE</u> Coach Brock Ganeles - Students will stay after school in Room 113 (every day) until the shuttle bus comes at 3:30 pm to pick them up.

MODIFIED SOFTBALL: Coach Christopher Sautter -

Email: Christopher.sautter@wcsdny.org.

Coach has set up practice schedule with students.

MODIFIED TRACK & FIELD- Coaches Jeremy Atkins/Catherine Perri-Siena

Emails: Jeremy.atkins@wcsdny.org & Catherine.perri@wcsdny.org

WJH Modified Track & Field: All students who are trying out for WJH Modified Track - all try-outs are at Wappingers Junior High School.

Track practice will meet in the large cafeteria today after school. Change into your running outfits and be ready to run. Warm-ups in the cafeteria, running in the gym. This

day is for make-ups & to discuss field events from 2:30 pm until 4:00 pm. Students can take the late bus.

Bring water bottles and all your school materials with you. Check the Google Classroom for more details.

<u>WAPPINGERS CREW CLUB</u>: Crew Club students will meet in Room 113 (every day) from 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm to await shuttle bus to pick them up.

CHILDCARE FORMS FOR 2022-2023

TRANSPORTATION HAS UPDATED THEIR CHILDCARE TRANSPORTATION FORM FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR. PLEASE SEE WJH WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS.

LOST & FOUND:

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

Please do not put any lost Chromebooks in Lost & Found. Please drop off at Main Office so we can return to proper owner!

PTA MESSAGE:

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

The yearbook is underway and the staff is looking for photos. All fall, winter & spring sports need to be submitted now, along with any events or activities that have taken place. Clubs and concerts included. - All photos can be emailed to wearewappingers@gmail.com

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

FROM MAIN OFFICE:

Parents: If you are picking up your child for early dismissal, the school requires a written note or email. Please make sure you have a written note at time of pick up. If your 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/walker pass) 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.

We will no longer take phone calls and/or emails after 2pm for last minute pick-ups. Students will be instructed to take their scheduled bus home.

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

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE: Students cannot come to the health office in between classes. Unless it is a medical emergency they should report to the next class and get a pass.

<u>COVID-19 HOME TEST KITS</u> are still available. You can contact the Main Office to obtain one.

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

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. Late bus schedule is posted in School Lobby. Students should review to see what late bus they need to take home.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT IS SPONSORING SPIRIT WEEK - APRIL 4TH - 8TH

Monday - April 4th - Decade Day (50's, 60's, 70's, 80's)

Tuesday - April 5th - Favorite Vacation/Destinaton T-shirt Day

Wednesday - April 6^{th} - Neon or Work Out Gear Day

Thursday - April 7^{th} - School Colors Day (8^{th} graders wear red/ 7^{th} graders wear blue)

Friday - April 8th - Wappingers Gear

ART INTEGRATION:

Arts Integration is hosting an art contest for Wappingers Junior High School in celebration of Youth Art Month. The theme is "What's Your Sign?"

Make an artwork that celebrates your identity! 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prize will win an Amazon gift card!

Your Art may be 2-d or 3-d and no larger than 24"X24".

The deadline is Friday, April 1st If you have any questions, ask Mrs. Attlesey-Steger in room 217 or email christine.steger@wcsdny.org

PRIDE CLUB: The pride club will meet this Thursday, March 31st. This club meets every Thursday in Mr. PK's Room 148.

JAZZ BAND: resumes this week, Thursday, March 31st after school until 3:50 pm.

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

Next Week's Schedule:

Thursday 3/31 - ELA w/Ms. Cameron - Room 210

Math w/Mrs. Cerrato/Ms. Price - Room 144

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 - check with Mrs. Liberta or Mrs. Milanese for dates/times.

DATES TO REMEMBER: (subject to change)

4/1 - 4/8 - NYS ELA Assessment EXAMS (make-ups)

4/4 - 4/8 - Student Government Spirit Week

4/11 - 4/18 - Spring Recess - Holiday for Students/Staff

4/21 - National Junior Honor Society Ceremony - 3 pm (more details to follow)

4/26 - WCSD Budget Vote

4/26, 4/27 & 4/28 - NYS Math Assessment EXAMS

4/28 - WJH PTA Meeting @ 7 pm (Virtual)

5/6 - 8th Grade Dance (more details to follow)

5/12 - Grade 8 Band, Orchestra & Chorus Spring Concert

5/14 - Festival of the Arts

5/16 - Superintendent Conference Day - No School for students

5/24 - NYS 8th Grade Science Assessment EXAMS

5/25 - Grade 7 Band, Orchestra & Chorus Spring Concert

5/30 - Memorial Day - Holiday for Students/Staff

6/1 - WJH Night of Jazz

6/6 - NYS 8th Grade Science Assessment EXAMS

6/9 - 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony - 4 pm (more details to follow)

6/15 - 6/23 - NYS Regents EXAMS

6/20 - Juneteenth - Holiday for Students/Staff

6/21 - 6/23 - Professional Development Days (1/2 Days of School - dismissal at 10:30 am)

6/23 - Last day of School for Students

6/23 - Six Flags Field Trip for 8th Grade Students (more details to follow)

CELEBRATE NATIONAL DAY (LAST DAY OF MARCH):

TODAY: Each year, on March 31st children and adults alike, pick up their favorite colors for National Crayon Day. Opening up a box of crayons opens up a world of imagination and hours of fun.

Wax and chalk-based crayons have been used by artists around the world for centuries. Edwin Binney created the brightly colored crayons we are familiar with today. He was part owner of Binney & Smith, a company that produced products such as paint, pigments, and slate pencils for schools. In 1903, Binney & Smith created the Crayola Division and produced colored wax crayons for children for the first time. Then in 1904, they presented their An-Du-Septic chalk at the Colombian Exposition in St. Louis winning a gold medal. The chalk was designed to be dustless at many teachers' requests and was an immediate success. According to Guinness World Records, Ashrita Furman of Jamaica, New York created the world's largest crayon in October of 2017. The crayon measured 17 feet 1.1 inches (5.21 meters) long and was 1 foot 5.7 inches (.45 meters) in diameter. What color was the crayon? Blue! Get out your crayons and color away!

Thank you.

Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS!!

^{**84} days until the last day of school for students**