WJH Daily Announcements – November 15th – Day Cycle 2

Reminder: WJH PICTURE DAY - Re-take day will be Monday, November 22nd.

<u>FROM THE LIBRARY</u>: "Students, please check your school email accounts for overdue library material notices. Please return your overdue items as soon as possible. Any questions, see Mrs. Green in the library."

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU PROVIDE YOUR CHILD WITH A MASK TO WEAR AT SCHOOL. STUDENTS PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR CHROMEBOOKS TO SCHOOL!

<u>SPELLING BEE:</u> Will be taking place, virtually, during the month of November. This year, we will use the Scripps National Spelling Bee's online testing platform to hold our school spelling bee via an online spelling and word meaning test.

The first step to spelling bee participation for your child is registering for the online testing platform by visiting <u>https://online-test.spellingbee.com</u>.

The winner will move on to represent our school in the WCSD District Spelling Bee. Please see your ELA teacher for more information and to enroll.

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE: Students need to bring in water bottles for the fill station. There are no cups available as they are on back order.

Dutchess County Protocol for Symptomatic or Positive COVID 19 students or staff:

Dutchess County Contact Tracing Workflow Chart:

SPORTS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WRESTLING: WJH Wrestling Coach is having an information meeting for any student who might be interested in joining the team.

Tuesday, November 16th - after school (2:30 pm - 3:50 pm) in the WJH Large Cafeteria

Students can take the late bus home or arrange for parent pick up.

COACH ATKINS- CROSS COUNTRY: Please return your uniforms to Mr. Atkins in room

<u>WAPPINGERS CREW CLUB</u>: From: Ms. Elizabeth Schlusser, Wappingers Crew Club Women's Varsity Rowing Coach

Looking forward to the spring, on Tuesday November 16th at 7pm we will have a **<u>novice only</u>** <u>informational parent meeting via Zoom</u> to talk about the spring season. We will go over the cost of the spring, the expected level of commitment, dates when the season runs, and other important information.

The Zoom Link will be posted on the website, <u>http://www.wappingerscrewclub.org/</u> Join Zoom Meeting - 11/16 @ 7 PM

WINTER CHEERLEADING: WJHS Cheerleading Coach is having an information meeting for any student who has signed up in FamilyID. All students signed up have received an invitation to join the Winter Cheerleading Google Classroom. The meeting will be virtual using the classroom link. The meeting will be Wednesday, November 17th at 7:30 PM.

FROM PE TEACHERS - BASKETBALL INTRAMURALS FOR THIS WEEK

Afternoon Intramural Schedule next week: Monday-Thursday after school 2:30-4:00pm Monday & Tuesday is 7th grade only Wednesday & Thursday is 8th Grade only

Morning Schedule: Monday-Friday 6:30-7:25AM -any grade is invited

ANY STUDENT STAYING AFTER SCHOOL ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS SHOULD KNOW WHAT LATE BUS THEY NEED TO RIDE ON BEFORE THEY ATTEND AN AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITY. SEE ATTACHED BUS SCHEDULE.

JUNIOR HIGH WINTER SPORTS (Basketball Boys & Girls, Cheerleading; Wrestling) Start Date (for tryouts): November 29, 2021

Junior High School FamilyID Registration for Winter Sports will be open on October 30 to November 15, 2021. ***TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER***

Please upload the most current physical exam to your Family ID account. For Winter Sports the physical must be dated 11/01/2020 or later for approval by the school physician.

The physical must be uploaded by the registrant.

If your student has an allergy or medical issue that may require an EpiPen/diabetic med (glucagon)/inhaler a SELF CARRY/ADMINISTER physician order is required.

Also if your student has had a recent orthopedic injury, Covid or concussion we will need a separate MD clearance note. If you are unsure if your child requires an up-to-date physical,

please contact your child's Health Office and the School Nurse will check for you. ***The nurse is UNABLE to upload any documents to a student's Family ID account***

WINTER BASKETBALL TRY OUT DATES

11/29 – Girls Basketball – 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm Boys Basketball – 7th grade 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm/8th grade 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

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Girls Basketball - 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

12/2 – Boys Basketball 7th/8th grade - 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Girls Basketball - 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

12/3 - Boys & Girls Basketball (all grades) 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

*** CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS ***

WJH CLUB INFORMATION: Take a moment to read our September newsletter to learn about our clubs and activities!

JAZZ BAND: Jazz Band will meet every Thursday from 2:25 pm – 3:45 pm.

ARTS INTEGRATION: Arts integration will meet Tuesday, 11/16 until the late buses.

STAGE CREW: Stage crew is starting again at the end of the month. If you are Interested in being a part of the stage crew for this year's Spring Musical, pick up an application from the main office, the Auditorium or Tech 2. Applications were due NO LATER THAN November 12th. Any questions see Mr. McDonald or Mrs. Daniels. THIS IS ONLY FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN STAGE CREW!!!

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: jb75vom Here are the dates: Tuesday November 30 Tuesday December 7, 21

There are late buses on Tuesdays - Students can take the late bus or be picked up by a parent/guardian.

EXTRA HELP Math - 8th Grade

8th Grade Math Teachers are working together to provide as many opportunities for extra help as possible. This started on Monday, September 27th.

Monday afternoons - Room 144 - Ms. Price

Tuesday afternoons - Room 140 - Ms. Marold

Wednesday afternoons - Room 140 - Ms. Bush Math 8 Extra Help will be cancelled

on Wednesday ONLY this week.

Thursday afternoons – Room 130 – Mrs. Conklin Friday Mornings Extra help will be at 6:45 am with Mrs. Nevel.

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!

We are kicking off a Shoe Drive this week and need help throughout it.

There are plenty of ways to help: Spread the word, Commit to collecting a bag of shoes with 25 pairs of shoes, Help in anyway-behind the scenes, collect shoes at your place of business, help load the truck the day of pick up (TBD- January), etc.

***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.

This is a HAND-UP, not a HAND-OUT. A fundraiser that gives back!

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

Any student who plans to walk to / from school and any student who will be picked up daily at dismissal, should complete the necessary forms and return to Main Office.

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.

WJH's 2nd Little Doctors Blood Drive of the School Year. Please come and be a silent hero! WJH Monday 11/22 @ 2:30 PM -7:00 PM – Board Room 105.

Bus passes will not be issued.

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.

COMPUTER USER AGREEMENTS:

We still have a few 7th & 8th grade students who did not turn in a signed Student Computer User Agreement. If we do not receive a signed Agreement from these students, their user

accounts will be locked by the District, and will not be re-opened until we receive these agreements.

CELL PHONES & ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE PROHIBITED – PAGE 13 (WCSD CODE OF CONDUCT)

DRESS CODE: Students should be following the proper dress code indicated in the Code of Conduct Page 15.

CHROMEBOOK STUDENT EXPECTATIONS:

• You maintain the device and report any issues, incidental or otherwise, to the Computer Lab TA (Located in the back of Library) as soon as possible.

• The device is with you daily, class by class, and is brought to school fully charged

• School issued devices must be carried in the provided carrying case at all times while transporting the device indoors and outdoors

- You follow WCSD's acceptable use policy and teacher guidelines at all times.
- Do not mark on your device in any way
- Do not put stickers or skins on your device
- Do not remove any asset tags or labels
- Do not leave it unattended

• If the device is accidentally forgotten and needed in class, loaners may be available in the classroom.

The Chromebook Protection Plan deadline ended on October 15th. If you did not sign up for this protection plan, any damage, repairs or replacements to a Chromebook, will be the responsibility of the family.

CELEBRATE NOVEMBER'S NATIONAL DAYS:

Today - NATIONAL CLEAN OUT YOUR REFRIGERATOR DAY ON NOVEMBER 15TH

encourages us to prepare for the upcoming holidays. Get together a soap and hot water-filled bucket, disinfectant, a sponge, and a garbage bag. Then you will be ready for the day!

With family gathering and a large turkey waiting to be roasted, cleaning out the refrigerator makes sense. Not only will we need room before the meals, but we also need space for all of the upcoming leftovers. Many dread this job. However, it is an important task nonetheless.

Due to our hectic and busy lifestyles, the cleaning of the refrigerator gets neglected. Hence the creation of National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day. There may be a surprise or two found at the back of the shelves. Things are often pushed back as new food is put in the front and gets forgotten.

Tomorrow: <u>NATIONAL BUTTON DAY ON NOVEMBER 16TH</u> celebrates the function of buttons and the hobby of button collection. Step aside zippers, laces, and snaps. Honor the button.

Founded in 1938, the <u>National Button Society</u> recognized button collecting as an organized hobby. Both novice and advanced button collectors celebrate the enjoyment of collecting on this day.

Do you remember your grandmother or your mother snipping the buttons off shirts headed for the rag basket? Those buttons are often collected in jars or tins. Maybe you even played games or strung them for ornaments and crafts. The buttons were fun to stack into piles, sort by color or size, or scatter and slide across the floor or table making up different games each time.

Thank you. Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS !!