WJH Daily Announcements - October 29th - Day Cycle 5

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU PROVIDE YOUR CHILD WITH A MASK TO WEAR AT SCHOOL.

<u>FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE:</u> students need to bring in water bottles for the fill station. There are no cups available as they are on backorder.

<u>FROM PE TEACHERS</u> – Mr. Opitz/Mr. Lynch/Mrs. Zehr: All Physical Education students must bring their chromebooks with them to class for this Thursday and Friday PE classes.

Basketball intramurals will be starting next week on Thursday after school in the gym. You will need a ride home at 4:00pm or take the late bus.

Dates for basketball intramurals - 11/5, 11/8, 11/9, 11/10, 11/15, 11/16/11/17 & 11/18. Students can participate from 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm.

Friday is our last PINK OUT! Bring your school spirit and wear all your pink! Prizes will be given out for the most pinked out!

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

WJH FALL DANCE (PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE) – we will be hosting a WJH Fall/Costume Dance for our students on Friday, October 29th @ 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Drop off time begins at 5:30 pm and pick up is at 8:00 pm SHARP!!

Drop off/Pick Up of students will be located at the rear staff parking lot. Parents/Guardians please enter the school property thru the Middlebush Road entrance. Students will be dropped off at the designated area - please look for signs and cones.

Please be aware the front the school building will be off-limits to thru traffic. Only students walking to the dance may enter from the village

entrance (escorted by guardian). Students will NOT BE ALLOWED to walk to and from the dance without a parent or guardian escort.

Students should dress appropriately, as this is an outdoor event. Outerwear such as Jackets, sweatshirts and sweaters will be needed. Masks are required for students to enter the building. Please provide your child with a mask.

Students will be permitted to wear costumes to the dance. No costume face masks are allowed!!

Refreshments will be provided by Student Government. Students should bring cash to purchase.

Please remember to bring your ticket to the dance. You will not be permitted to enter without it.

The school will not be responsible for any misplaced items or lost electronic devices while on school property.

SPIRIT WEEK 10/25 - 10/29 (SPONSORED BY STUDENT GOVERNMENT)

Friday 10/29 - Pink Out (All students and staff wear pink)

Students are NOT ALLOWED to wear Halloween costumes to school on Friday, 10/29. They are encouraged to wear their costumes to the WJH Dance on Friday evening.

<u>LOST & FOUND CLOSET:</u> Our lost & found closet is full of lost items (such as books, coats, sweatshirts, water bottles, lunch boxes, etc.) Students should check the lost & found closet in the Main Lobby to retrieve any lost items. All items unclaimed will be donated when the closet is emptied on 11/27.

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 9, 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

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

October is National Principal Month. All the students should make Mr. Thompson, Ms. Thomas, and Mr. Anderson feel special-like saying Happy Principal Month!

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

Help at a Drop Off Event November 6 from 12-3pm

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.

***Drop off Drive by will be November 6th from 12-3pm at the main entrance of the school

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!

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.

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.

SPORTS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

At this time we are NOT ISSUING HOME GAME PASSES TO STUDENTS*

Coach Bishop (Cheerleading)

Cheer practice is Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 2:30-4:30pm. Athletes need to be prepared with practice wear and a ride home daily

*** CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS ***

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

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.

FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

Students please turn in your Emergency Cards to 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.

This week is Red Ribbon Week - celebrate a drug free life.

COMPUTER USER AGREEMENTS:

The deadline for signed Student Computer User Agreements was Friday, October 22nd. If we do not receive a signed Agreement, student accounts will be locked and won't be re-opened until we receive one.

Celebrate October's National Days:

Today - National Frankenstein Friday, on the last Friday in October, recognizes author Mary Shelly, the novel *Frankenstein*, *or the Modern Prometheus*, her characters, Dr. Frankenstein and the monster. Dating back to the 1800s, Frankenstein's monster is one of the best-known horror characters of all time.

The novel by Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley (1797-1851) tells the story of a young scientist, Victor Frankenstein. While she published the first edition of Frankenstein in 1818 anonymously, the first 500 copies sold out. However, the public believed her husband, Percy Shelley, to be the author. Then in 1823, Mary Shelley published a new edition under her name. Another edition in 1831 included Shelley's explanation about how the story came to be. This version is the one modern readers are the most familiar with today.

The film world has created more than 60 movies or shorts on the theme of Frankenstein. Edison Studios produced the very first film version, Frankenstein, in 1910. According to some sources, the day is observed on August 30th in honor of Mary Shelley's birthday.

THIS WEEKEND: On October 31, Halloween brings out the ghouls and goblins, creatures, and strange folk. They come creeping about the neighborhood seeking favors over trickery.

People of all ages look forward to Halloween traditions. While dressing up and baking, we carve up glowing pumpkins. Children breathe life into storybook characters while practicing their trick or treat. In twos and threes, they traipse through the neighborhood, collecting their bounty in pillow sacks. A ghost, a pirate, a robot or Dorothy, and Toto. No matter their age, they come to the door. They knock or ring. Here and there, a screech or a boo!

The crisp air and autumn colors set the mood. Seasonings fill our senses with a taste of autumn. So we set forth on an adventure and finish with a warm apple cider around a flickering fire.

Thank you.

Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS!!