

WJH Daily Announcements - September 23rd – Day Cycle 4

WJH PTA – Message

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

<https://wjhspta.memberhub.com/store>

Parents as Partners/Open House Night - Wednesday, September 29th from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm.

This year, WJHS will be implementing a Virtual Open House Model.
How to attend The Virtual Open House/ Parents as Partners:

-Parents will use their student's Google Class login to attend the meetings in Google Classroom.

-Follow your student's Day 1 schedule to attend the Google Classroom meeting with teachers.

-Please click the link in the corresponding teacher classroom suite to attend each of the meetings.

PE CLASSES SHOULD SIGN INTO THIS GOOGLE LINK:

Virtual OPEN HOUSE P.E. CLASS Link

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/dcm-dtkk-tju>

Or dial: (US) +1 413-758-2383 PIN: 221 896 127# "

The period schedule for the evening is as follows:

Period 1 7:00 - 7:11 PM

Period 2 7:14 - 7:25 PM

Period 3 7:28 - 7:39 PM

Period 4 7:42 - 7:53 PM

Period 5 7:56 - 8:07 PM

Period 6 8:10 - 8:21 PM

Period 7 8:24 - 8:35 PM

Period 8 8:38 - 8:49 PM

Period 9 8:52 - 9:00 PM

We hope you will find the meetings helpful and informative. If you have specific

questions or concerns related to your student's educational experience do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. You can also contact the Main Office at 845-298-5200 ext. 21000 to schedule a virtual appointment.

The Wappingers JR High School - Fall 2021 online apparel store is live, the link to the store is -

<https://wjhsfall2021.itemorder.com/>

The store closed on Sunday, October 3 @ midnight. SO ACT FAST!

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

It is the policy of the Wappingers Central School District that students in grades Pre-K through 8 will be prohibited from possessing smartphones, smartwatches (i.e., internet enabled devices) and other electronic devices and related accessories (e.g., earbuds) on their person during the school day without permission from the Building Principal. Smart devices and related accessories may be stored in a schoolbag (turned off) for before or after school use. The school district is not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged smart devices.

DRESS CODE: Page 15 (WCSD Code of Conduct) Students are expected to be dressed and groomed in an appropriate manner. Students must be dressed in appropriate clothing and protective equipment as required for physical education classes, participation in athletics, science laboratories and home and careers skills classes.

THE FOLLOWING ARE CONSIDERED TO BE INAPPROPRIATE AND ARE PROHIBITED IN SCHOOL OR AT SCHOOL FUNCTIONS:

1. Any dress or appearance which advocates discrimination or denigrates others based upon race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or disability;
2. Any dress or appearance which encourages or advocates the use of drugs, alcohol, and/or tobacco;
3. Any dress or appearance which encourages illegal or violent activities;
4. Any dress or appearance which constitutes a threat or danger to the health and safety of students (ie: gang wear, heavy jewelry or jewelry with spikes or chains which can injure the students or others);
5. Any dress or appearance which allows sight of midriff, or any undergarments;
6. Any dress or appearance, exclusive of religious or medical reasons, that hides or changes a student's identity (ex. FACE COVERINGS, sunglasses, sweatshirt hoods, hats, etc.);
7. Any dress or appearance which, in the judgment of the school administration, may be reasonably forecast to cause a material or substantial disruption;

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.

Fall Sports are: Cheerleading, boys & girls cross country, girls field hockey, football, boys & girls soccer & girls volleyball.

Coach Lynch (Boys) Soccer - ~~First Game is Friday, 9/24 at Van Wyck~~ Game Time: ~~3:45 pm~~ This game is rescheduled for later date.

Coach Opitz (Girls) Soccer - First Game is Thursday, 9/23 Home vs. Van Wyck Game Time: 3:45 pm

Coach Sautter - Field Hockey: First Game is Friday, 9/24 Home vs. Fox Lane Game Time: 4:30 pm

Coach Calvin - Volleyball: First Game is Friday, 9/24 Home vs. Brewster Game Time: 4:30 pm

Coach Atkins- Cross Country: First Meet is Thursday 9/23 Home vs. Van Wyck Time: 3:45 pm

From Coach Atkins - Home game on Thursdays 9/23rd @ 3:45pm. Bring full uniform. Check the google classroom for any schedule changes.

At this time we are NOT ISSUING GAME PASSES TO STUDENTS

HOME GAMES FOR NEXT WEEK (9/27 – 10/1/21)

Tuesday, September 28 – Boys Soccer vs. Carmel – Game Time: 4:30 pm

Thursday, September 30 – Girls Volleyball vs. John Jay Cross River – Game Time: 4:30 pm

Thursday, September 30 – Girls Soccer vs. Fox Lane – Game Time: 5:00 pm

From Mrs. Thomas - I-Ready Schedule:

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! Our school will soon be administering the i-Ready Diagnostic and Instruction. The online program is an adaptive assessment in Reading and Math that helps teachers to effectively assess their students and then provide individualized instruction based on each student's unique needs. The diagnostic is administered three times a year, according to the schedule below:

Fall Window 9/20/21 - 11/05/21

Winter Window 01/04/22 - 03/11/22

Spring Window 05/02/21 - 06/10/22

Administration dates for each diagnostic will be shared in advance. Fall diagnostic dates:

Reading: Tuesday, Sep 28, 2021

Mathematics: Tuesday, Oct 5, 2021

i-Ready Diagnostic and Instruction assesses and teaches the following skill areas:

Reading

- Phonological Awareness
- Phonics
- High-Frequency Words
- Vocabulary
- Comprehension

Math

- Number and Operations
- Algebra and Algebraic Thinking
- Measurement and Data
- Geometry

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our office or your child's teacher. For more information on i-Ready, please click on the link below:

<https://i-readycentral.com/familycenter/>

CREW CLUB: The Wappingers Crew Club Fall Learn to Row program. Check out the website, <http://www.wappingerscrewclub.org>, for practice information and zoom link. Practices begin on Wednesday.

Here is the link for the Halloween Crew Shirts, sponsored by McHoul's Funeral Home. <https://myarlingtonink.com/WappCrew/shop/home>

Coach Bishop (Cheerleading) From Coach Bishop - WJH Cheerleading Coach -

We have scheduled Cheerleading try-outs - we are looking at two days for try-outs.

Day 1 - Wednesday, 9/22 at 2:30 pm until 4:00 pm.

Day 2 - Thursday, 9/23 at 2:30 pm until 4:00 pm.

Please Note: Late buses only run on Thursday for any student who might need a ride. Otherwise students should make arrangements ahead of time to be picked up after try-outs. For Wednesday's try-outs all students will need ride home afterward.

Try-outs will be for both 7th and 8th grade students on both days. Try-outs will be held in the large cafeteria immediately after school so bring appropriate attire.

Remember - students need to have applied and been approved in FamilyID in order to attend these try-outs.

Good luck to everyone!!!

Cheerleading Practices will be Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays from 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Students will need rides home / Late buses on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

Coach Pennacchio (Football) – Football is starting at Roy C Ketcham HS at 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm. No try-outs, all are welcome but All players must have approved physicals from FamilyID. If you have any questions please contact the coach – Pat Pennacchio (845) 764-0977 or email: ppennacchio88@gmail.com

Mr. Ramirez (Advisor of Student Government): any student interested in joining Student Government – Please see Mr. Ramirez in Room M-11.

Mrs. Daniels Jazz Band - Any student interested in auditioning for the Jazz Band,

please pick up an audition packet in the main office or see Mrs. Daniels. Auditions will be held right after school in the auditorium on Thursday September 30th until 3:45.

Mrs. Attlesey-Steger (Art Integration Club) If you have any questions, please stop by 217 or email Mrs. Attlesey-Steger @ christine.steger@wcsdny.org See you soon!

Mr. PK & Mrs. McGowan - The Pride Club will have its first meeting today, Thursday, September 23rd in Room 148. The Pride Club is a club that celebrates the LGBTQ community and everyone is welcome to join. Please see Mr. PK in Room 148 or Mrs. McGowan in Room 146 if you have any questions. The club will meet until the late bus."

Little Doctors Blood Drive - Our first blood drive of the school year will be held on today, Thursday, Sept 23rd from 2:30-7:00 PM in the gym. For an appointment, sign up with team 7-Yellow students or email rosellen.hardt@wcsdny.org

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Interested in a Boys Volleyball Team? From Coach Maria Mahoney

GOOGLE CLASSROOM CODE

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Any Wappingers email can join the google classroom. The teacher in charge of this is Maria Mahoney a teacher at John Jay. Her email is maria.mahoney@wcsdny.org. She says any information about the initial meeting on that site and she will be collecting emails as they join. It also has the google form to complete so she can compile a list of interested students by grade.

See attached.

CHROMEBOOK DISTRIBUTION

We have distributed Chromebooks to our students over the past few weeks.

If your child did not receive a Chromebook, they must report to the Main Office.

Students should charge their Chromebooks every evening. Please leave the charger at home. If students charge the Chromebook overnight, it is good for the next day!!

Parents – students received information on insurance for the Chromebooks. See attached form for further details.

Please note: we have a few students who still have Chromebooks from last school year that need to be returned to the school. These Chromebooks are now inactive and unable to use. Please return these Chromebooks otherwise you will not receive a new

Chromebook.

All signed & completed forms should be returned to the Main Office. Important that we receive a Completed & Signed Emergency Card. Please return to 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.

National Day

Today - Sept 23rd - Innergize Day on the day after the Autumnal Equinox offers an opportunity to relax and rejuvenate. This is a day for you!

Since fall has officially arrived, it's time to shift gears. The fast pace of summer activities passes by now. Languid autumn days provide tranquil sunsets and peaceful moments.

These are the times to focus on your personal well-being. Do things you enjoy that make you feel good about yourself. Let stress and worry fade away for the day.

The day is an excellent time to look inward. Whether you rejuvenate your spiritual connections or develop mindfulness, refocusing your energy can have huge benefits.

After trying to cram every activity into a few short months, we sometimes lose focus.

Fall allows us to take a deep breath and be more mindful of our bodies, spirits, and the world around us.

Tomorrow – Sept 24th - On the fourth Friday in September, National BRAVE Day honors women who lift each other up, rescue each other and make each other BRAVE.

Sometimes just a flutter of encouragement comes in the form of timely guidance from another woman. Other times, groups of women provide the energy coordinated, thoughtful efforts for someone in need. Women empowering women.

Despite varied experiences and backgrounds, women come together across generations to support each other. These small tokens come in many forms. For example, a momentary reprieve over a cup of coffee during a hectic day makes all the difference. A well-written letter of recommendation for a job may change the course of a life. These small tokens strengthen a woman who may have undergone unspoken tragedy or struggles. The opportunities to empower sisters, friends, family, even a stranger are limitless. National BRAVE Day, seeks out tangible ways to encourage women to keep moving forward and to be BRAVE.

Thank you.

Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS !!