

WJH Daily Announcements – November 22nd – Day Cycle 1

Reminder – This week students have school on Monday and Tuesday only!! The remainder of the week is our Thanksgiving Recess. Students will return to school on Monday, November 29th. Wishing everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving!!

Reminder: WJH PICTURE DAY - Re-take day is TODAY - Monday, November 22nd.

Picture Make-ups are today. All students who were not photographed last month will have their picture taken during their lunch periods. Any questions, please see Mrs. Biegun in room 244. This is also the opportunity for those students who wish to have their pictures re-taken. They should also see Mrs. Biegun in Room 244. If you choose to re-take your pictures, please bring the first set of pictures back to school and turn them in.

FROM THE LIBRARY: "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." **LIBRARY IS CLOSED TO STUDENTS THIS WEEK.**

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

SPELLING BEE: 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 <https://online-test.spellingbee.com>.

The winner will move on to represent our school in the WCSD District Spelling Bee to be held, in-person, on Thursday, December 16th 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm at WJH Auditorium. 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:

WAPPINGERS CREW CLUB: Ms. Elizabeth Schlusser, Wappingers Crew Club Women's Varsity Rowing Coach

WINTER CHEERLEADING: Coach Emily Marold

The WJHS Cheer Team is collecting non-perishable food items for Dutchess County foster families through Fostering Hope Together through 12/10/21. A donation box is located in the lobby and items accepted are canned corn, canned green beans, cream of mushroom soup, frenches crispy onions, instant mashed potatoes, baked stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, apple sauce, brownie mix, sugar cookie mix and gift cards to local grocery stores. We appreciate our schools support!

FROM PE TEACHERS - BASKETBALL INTRAMURALS

This week's schedule: Monday and Tuesday morning only! Nothing after school. All are welcome.

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 is now closed. Only those students who registered with FamilyID may try out for a Winter Sport.

*****The nurse is UNABLE to upload any documents to a student's Family ID account*****

Winter Sports Please check the status of your registration on FamilyID. At this time, many students are "Not Approved" and need to submit additional paperwork.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Coach Lynch is having an informational boy's basketball meeting for any student who has signed up on FamilyID. The meeting is TODAY, Monday 11/22 @7:00pm. All students signed up will receive an invitation to join the Boy's Basketball Google Classroom at the end of this week. The meeting will be virtual using the classroom link.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: There will be a virtual girls basketball meeting is TODAY, Monday, 11/22 at 5PM on our team Google Classroom. This is INVITE ONLY if you were registered on Family ID. If you have any questions, please see Coach Opitz."

WINTER BASKETBALL TRY OUT DATES - START NEXT WEEK!!!!

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. (NO MEETING THIS WEEK)

STAGE CREW: Stage crew is starting again at the end of the month.

"Attention drama crew applicants, stage crew members have been chosen; check for your ID number near room 131, the tech hallway, or outside the main office."

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: jb75vomRoom 206

November: 11/30

December: 12/7 & 12/21

January: 1/4 & 1/18

February: 2/1 & 2/8

March: 3/8 & 3/22

April: 4/5 & 4/19

May: 5/10 & 5/31

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 (NO MEETING THIS WEEK)

Thursday afternoons - Room 130 - Mrs. Conklin (NO MEETING THIS WEEK)

Friday Mornings Extra help will be at 6:45 am with Mrs. Nevel. (NO MEETING THIS WEEK)

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.

TODAY - WJH's 2nd Little Doctors Blood Drive of the School Year. Please come and be a silent hero! TODAY - 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 - Another seasonal holiday staple graces the table each year and National Cranberry Relish Day makes sure you're prepared. On November 22nd make sure you're stocked and ready. Get tasting the many recipes out there and pick your favorite one!

Believed to have originated in the New England States during the early 1900s, cranberry relish is a traditional part of many families' Thanksgiving dinner.

Numerous cranberry relish recipes grace cookbooks and blogs across the internet. The bright and sweet flavors are enhanced by ingredients like apples, oranges, and pineapple. You can make them spicy or nutty, too. Or, you might offer more than one style and use the leftovers for great sandwiches. But there's more than one way to slice this cranberry dish.

Tomorrow - Get the pure coffee essence on National Espresso Day! Whether you sip one cup or keep buzzing all day long, November 23rd is the day.

The word espresso (/ɛ'sprɛsoʊ/; Italian pronunciation: [e'spresso]) in Italian means 'quick in time.' Before the advent of the espresso machine, espresso was simply a coffee expressly made for the person ordering it. It was also made with recently roasted and freshly ground beans. The cup was brewed shortly before serving. In the late 1800s, this practice was commonplace in cafés and restaurants.

While today's espresso maintains the freshness quality, it has undergone a transition in meaning. We've come to know espresso as a highly concentrated brew served in smaller quantities. We may also use espresso as a base for other delicious coffee creations.

We can thank the espresso machine for this modern view of espresso. In 1901, Italian Luigi Bezzera invented the first successful espresso machine. The newer technologies produced a smaller, more concentrated cup more quickly than traditional coffee brewing methods. Additionally, this thicker, more intense brew created a creamy foam on top called the crema. The richer flavors and aromas of an espresso create delicious lattes, mochas, cappuccinos, macchiatos, and many café creations.

Beyond the range of beverages, the intense flavor of espresso lends itself to baking. Where coffee may become lost when blended with other flavors, espresso remains vibrant. Blend it with cream cheese, sugar and flour for a cheesecake. Add it to ladyfingers and make tiramisu. Many desserts call for espressos such as ice cream and crème brûlée.

Thank you.

Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS !!