

WJH Daily Announcements – November 23rd – Day Cycle 2

There are no after school activities or late buses today, Tuesday November 23rd. All students will go home on their regular buses.

There is no school Wednesday November 24th – Friday November 26th. Students will return to school on Monday November 29th.

Happy Thanksgiving!!!

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:

**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.

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!

BOYS BASKETBALL: Coach Robert Lynch

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Coach Brandon 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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12/1 - Boys Basketball 7th/8th grade - 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

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.

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 Computer Lab in back of Library.

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 - On November 23rd, National Eat a Cranberry Day encourages us to take a bite of the bright red cranberry. But brace yourself!

Found in acidic bogs throughout the cooler regions of the northern hemisphere, cranberries are a group of evergreen dwarf shrubs, or trailing vines, that grow up to 7 feet long and 8 inches high. Their stems are slender and wiry, and they have small evergreen leaves.

The cranberry flowers are dark pink with very distinct reflexed petals, leaving the style and stamens fully exposed and pointing forward. The fruit of the cranberry plant is a berry that is larger than the leaves and is initially white but when ripe, turns a deep red.

Tomorrow - The day before gathering around the turkey, gather around the nearest jukebox to celebrate National Jukebox Day! As Americans flock to their hometowns for Thanksgiving, many will head out to neighborhood bars and restaurants. They will catch up with friends and family and celebrate by playing great songs on their local jukebox.

The name jukebox is thought to originate from places called 'juke houses' or 'jook joints.' In the early 1900s, people congregated in these establishments to drink and listen to music.

No matter what genre of music you like, or who you listen with, the jukebox covers every era. From big band and jazz, country and blues to rock & roll, acoustic and electric, and everything in between, celebrate them with National Jukebox Day!

Thank you.

Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS !!