



Morning Announcements

Thursday, February 4, 2021

Good Morning Ketcham Nation!

Today is Day 4.

A copy of the schedule is available on the RCK website.

Please join us in starting our day with the Pledge of Allegiance:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

"Hold fast to dreams, for if dreams die, life is a broken-winged bird that cannot fly." - Langston Hughes

RCK celebrates Black History Month

Thank you to our AP students for providing inspirational quotes this month and to Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica for sharing historical contributions of black Latinos. Please visit the RCK PTSA website to contribute to the Celebrating Diversity section and for informative links on celebrating Black History Month.

<https://sites.google.com/view/rckptsa/we-are-rck>

RCK FAMILY CIRCLE

The kickoff of our Family Circle program is tonight! Join us at 6pm as we host the Understanding Google Classroom Workshop. This program is open to all RCK families. Make sure to check the entire calendar on our website for more events this month. <https://www.wappingersschools.org/Domain/1346>

SADD CLUB

February is COSAP Awareness Month. What is a COSAP? A COSAP is a Child of a Substance Abuse Parent (or family member). One in four children or 25% of American Youth are COSAPs. It is important to remember that you are NOT alone and it is NOT your fault! If you would like more information please see Mrs. Sirianni. SADD Club will also be meeting today at 2:30-3:15PM Google Meet: <meet.google.com/cdk-rbkm-xci>

WEAR RED DAY

Go Red for Women! Tomorrow is Wear Red Day. Join people across the county and wear red in support of women's heart health. <https://www.goredforwomen.org/en>

DIPLOMAS

Class of 2021 - Tomorrow is the last day to order your diploma. Get more information on the RCK website or Class of 2021 website

RED CROSS CLUB

RCK Red Cross Club is donating to Fareground Food Pantries throughout the month of February, which will also be distributed to the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley. We will be having a meeting next Monday at 1:45 PM. You can earn service hours while supporting the community. All club members are registered volunteers with the American Red Cross. Email michael.paino@wcsdny.org - michael.bianco@wcsdny.org and/or mandy.zhang@k12.wcsdny.org for more information and details. Google Classroom Code: p6gngfa

World Cancer Day is today so wear orange and blue to show your support! The Mid-Hudson Bridge is planning to have an orange and blue light show this Thursday to show awareness and dedication to the courage of people living with cancer and their families, as well as the nurses, doctors, researchers, volunteers, advocates, and others who care for them. Email Mandy Zhang at mandy.zhang@k12.wcsdny.org and visit <https://www.worldcancerday.org/> to learn how you can show your support in other ways! #IAmAndIWill

DEBATE SOCIETY

The Debate Society holds meetings on Thursdays from 1:30pm-2:30pm. If you are interested in attending and have not yet been added to our google classroom, email Mrs. Agosta at laurissa.agosta@wcsdny.org.

TUTORS NEEDED

Wappingers Central School District would like to start a Virtual Online Tutoring Service and RCK is looking for students willing to help struggling students to do their best. If you are interested in being a virtual online tutor, contact Mr. Cunningham by email. He will give you all the information you need. Remember, in addition to helping out your fellow students, tutoring time can be applied to any community service hour requirements. Sign-up today!

NYSSMA

NYSSMA Registration now open - Deadline is Friday, Feb 12! Attention instrumental, vocal and piano students who are interested in attending NYSSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival this year. The Festival is completely virtual. If you are interested in doing a NYSSMA Solo this year, please contact your music teacher. If you are not in an ensemble, please contact matthew.king@wcsdny.org for piano registration or gina.stephens@wcsdny.org for other questions.

GIRLS LACROSSE:

ATTN All girls wishing to play JV or Varsity Girls Lacrosse in the Spring 2021. Please fill out this contact information form for the coaches so you can be a part of any individual preseason workouts. Thank you! <https://forms.gle/nXEx1NdRCNEuTMgi9>

CLASS OF 2023

Shirts and hoodies are now on sale! Order online today. Orders due tomorrow!
<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/ketcham-class-of-2023>

SENIOR VIDEOS

Submit videos of your favorite high school memories to share in the yearbook with QR codes. You may include appropriate pictures and events that signify your time at Ketcham. Examples would be pictures from the cafeteria, sporting events, pep rallies, dances. Go to <https://forms.gle/McWhAwt9GSCVE9759> to submit videos and for more details.

YEARBOOK

--Tribute Ads are being accepted online <https://www.wappingersschools.org/Page/33051>

--2020-2021 Yearbooks are on sale! Order online at <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com> and use School Code: 11816221. We are currently only accepting online orders.

SENIOR PORTRAITS

Class of 2021 - there is one LAST opportunity to have your senior pictures taken. Appointments are open February 22nd, 23rd, and 24th from 3:30pm - 8pm. You MUST register for your time slot at prestigeportraits.com. Time slots are on a first come, first served basis. If you do not have your unique access code, contact Prestige directly at 1-800-426-9533 ext 701. They can give you your code over the phone immediately. If you are looking to schedule a RETAKE, contact Prestige directly at 1-800-426-9533 ext 701.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship details are available on the Scholarship Summary link on the Counseling Department's web page, the Senior Google Classroom or, if paper copies are needed, in Room 194.

<https://www.wappingersschools.org/cms/lib/NY01001463/Centricity/Domain/1400/2021%20Scholarship%20Summary%20Sheet2.pdf>

Remember to follow RCK on Facebook and Twitter

@ketchamnation and keep up to date on our website.

Have a wonderful day and remember to go **#allin #allways**.

Your Principal,

Dave Seipp