



Morning Announcements

Monday, November 2, 2020

Good Morning Ketcham Nation!

Today is Day 1.

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.

Random Acts of Kindness

"Do things for people not because of who they are or what they do in return, but because of who you are." - Rabbi Harold Kushner

For kindness quotes and more, follow us on Instagram at RCKrandomactsofkindness

College Fair

Our WCSD Virtual College Fair website is ready for you to visit!

<https://sites.google.com/wcsdny.org/wcsd-virtual-college-fair>

This will be the central location to virtually visit 80 COLLEGES on Thursday, November 5th from 6:00-8:00 pm, so be sure to bookmark the link! On the website, you will find the full list of participating colleges (start planning ahead and create a list of your must-visits), a video guide to the website and the process of the fair, registration for our pre-event workshops (Navigating the College Search Process and Everything You Need to Know About Financial Aid), additional college resources and links, and tips to follow to make the most of your night!

We look forward to seeing you next Thursday at our first ever WCSD Virtual College Fair- you are invited to join us at 5:50 for the Virtual College Fair Welcome and Kick-Off with WCSD Administrators and School Counselors!

Ketcham 2020-2021 Yearbooks are now on sale!

Own a part of this historic year! Yearbooks SOLD OUT by March last year...don't be left out!

Yearbooks are currently at the lowest price of the year - \$80 through December 25th.

Order your yearbook at <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com> and use School Code: 11816221. We are currently only accepting online orders.

BE A PARTICIPANT in the Yearbook! Check your Email and "Class of" Google Classroom for upcoming opportunities to be a part of the experience.

RCK Greenworks

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, Nov. 4th at 2:30 p.m. We will be watching the second part of the film "Racing Extinction". We are happy to have obtained screening rights for this film. New members are welcome. Email Mr. Manzo or Mr. Luhmann to get the Classroom invite. This week we are starting our first weekly "Environmental Message" from club members, with the following quote submitted by our club president Rachel Lamond.

"The earth is what we all have in common" - Wendell Berry

Class of 2024

We look forward to welcoming you for Freshman Orientation today! This year, we will be implementing an exciting new format for our orientation that will incorporate our social distancing protocols. Students will be guided throughout the building in groups of 10 or less by a senior student leader during assigned time slots. Details are available on the RCK website.

Strength Club

If you are interested in joining the strength club, please email Christopher.Perry@wcsdny.org to get the join code for the google classroom. This club will help provide fitness programs that include equipment and non-equipment workouts you can do at your home until we receive clearance to use the RCK weight room.

Wappingers Ice Hockey

The Wappingers "John Jay" Hockey Club consists of RCK<JJHS<VW<WJHS<LOURDES<BEACON Players. HOCKEY IS ON!! Paperwork can be found on the John Jay Hockey Club webpage including needed items to come tryout for the team! Come join us... we miss hockey:) SECOND TRYOUT IS TODAY (MONDAY NOVEMBER 2) @ 8:15PM AT ICETIME.

<https://www.wappingersschools.org/Domain/2535> or facebook John Jay Hockey Club.

OMG is a Christian club open to all students. Our next virtual meeting is this Thursday, November 5th, at 2:30 PM. Anyone interested should email daniela.barca@k12.wcsdny.org for the google meet link. Hope to see you there!

AP Exam Registration

Attention AP Students. The AP exam ordering window is now open. All AP exams must be ordered and paid for by November 6, 2020. There will be a \$40 fee for any exams ordered after this date. We will be using Family ID for exam registration and payment: <https://account.familyid.com>. All AP students must "join" their AP class at Collegeboard.com which they should have already done during class and then register and pay for the exam through Family ID. This year's AP exam fee is \$96 per test. CollegeBoard will not charge a cancellation fee for the 2021 exams and will provide a full refund for anyone who chooses not to take the test in May. Please contact your school counselor with any questions.

PTSA

Attention Seniors - New York State PTA offers scholarships! Get the details online: <https://nyspta.org/home/pta-leaders/awards-and-recognitions/>

Class of 2021

Attention Seniors: College representatives are now scheduling virtual visits with you to talk about their colleges. You can see the list in your SCOIR account (<https://app.scoir.com/signin>) and also sign up to meet with them on their virtual links. The following colleges have signed up:

Wednesday, November 4, 2020

1:00-1:30 pm - Savannah College of Art and Design

Class of 2021

The Class of 2021 is hosting a fundraiser at Chipotle on Nov. 7. Get more details and a copy of the voucher on the Class of 2021 website. <https://www.wappingersschools.org/Domain/1392>

WCSD Athletics

According to the New York State Education Department, students should plan to obtain the required health examination prior to participation in the winter or spring 2020-2021 sport seasons. This means for Winter sport athletes, a physical exam dated November 1, 2019 or later must be uploaded to your Family ID account or on file in the nurse's office. If you are unsure if your child requires an up-to-date physical, please contact your child's Health Office and the School Nurse will check for you. If your child has a completed physical from a private physician please upload it onto FamilyID for approval by the school physician. FamilyID open registration date is to be determined. A notification will be sent out when winter student athletes can registrar for their particular sport.

Food Service

As WCSD continues to welcome students to in-person learning, the Food Service Department will continue to offer remote pick-up options of breakfast and lunch, in addition to offering in-school meals. Further information will be sent regarding any changes in pick-up due to hybrid learning and inclement weather. Details are available on the food service web page <https://www.wappingersschools.org/domain/37>

Superintendent's Forum: A Budget Conversation will be held tonight at 5:30pm in advance of the WCSD Board of Education meeting. More details are on the district website:

<https://www.wappingersschools.org/>

REMINDER

Tomorrow (Tuesday, Nov. 3) is Superintendent's Conference Day. There will be no remote instruction.

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