WJH Daily Announcements - September 13th (Day Cycle 3)

Tomorrow is September 14th (Day Cycle 4)

Make sure your child knows what bus trip # they ride to and from school each day.

Students emergency cards - please return all completed & signed emergency cards to 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.

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.

The period schedule for the evening is as follows:

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Period 1 7:00 - 7:11 PM
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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.

<u>CELL PHONES & ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE PROHIBITED - PAGE 13 (WCSD CODE OF CONDUCT</u>

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.

<u>DRESS CODE</u>: <u>Page 15 (WCSD Code of Conduct)</u> 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 will begin Tuesday September 14th. 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.

Spirit Week September 13 - 17

Today was Sport, Special Interest or Hobby Day - (do you like a sports team, pets, music, crafts, theater, camping, favorite vacation place, etc.) - you get the idea - wear a T-shirt that represents what interests you!!

Tuesday, Sept 14 - Tie Dye Day - wear your favorite Tie Dye shirt!!

Wednesday, Sept 15 - SuperHero Day - celebrate your favorite hero!

Thursday, Sept 16 - No School for Students

Friday, Sept 17 - School Colors - 7^{th} Grade students should wear the color Blue, 8^{th} Grade students should wear the color Red!!! Let's show our school spirit!!

<u>Coach Lynch (Boys)/Coach Opitz (Girls) Soccer:</u> **CORRECTION: Try-outs will be September 14 & 15 from 2:30 - 4:00 pm - Students should have a ride home after try-outs.

<u>Coach Sautter - Field Hockey</u>: Try-outs will be September 13, 14 & 15 from 2:30 - 4:00 pm. - Students should have a ride home after try-outs.

<u>Coach Calvin - Volleyball</u> - Tryouts begin today. Monday, Sept 13^{th} is 8^{th} grade girls only until 4:30 pm. Tuesday, Sept 14^{th} is 7^{th} grade girls only until 4:30 pm. Wednesday, Sept 15^{th} is combined 7^{th} and 8^{th} grade girls until 4:30 pm. Remember - Students should have a ride home each day after tryouts.

<u>Coach Atkins- Cross Country: Week of Sept 13 - 17.</u> Practice officially starts after school today (Monday, Sept 13th) at 2:30pm. All runners should meet in the technology wing ready to run. All runners should also have a parent or guardians ready to pick them up between 3:30-4pm. Check the google classroom for more information.

Students need to have completed an application & be approved in FamilyID in order to try out for any Fall sports. Please be aware that the window for applications for FamilyID is closed.

<u>CREW CLUB</u>: The Wappingers Crew Club will have a parent meeting tonight at 7:30pm on Zoom for its Fall Learn to Row program. Check out the website, http://www.wappingerscrewclub.org, for practice information and zoom link. Practices begin on Wednesday.

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

We currently have no additional information on cheerleading or football - as soon as the coaches send us a message, we will add them to our announcements.

Band and Orchestra Students - you DO NOT need to bring your instruments to school on the first day of class. The teachers will advise when instruments should come into school.

Chromebook Note: 7th Grade Students who already picked up their Chromebooks. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING THEM TO SCHOOL**. We will wait until all students have received their Chromebooks before requesting them to be brought into school.

As you may be aware, all 7th & 8th grade Students in our 2 public junior high schools will be receiving a Chromebook as part of our new 1:1 Chromebook initiative for the 2021-2022 school year and beyond.

The purpose of this message is to let you know our plan for distributing these devices to our 8th grade students and to any 7th grade student who could not attend the designated distribution dates and has not yet received a device.

We are intending to distribute these devices to our students this week. Students should have received a Chromebook Use / Agreement Form on Thursday, Sept 9th during 9th period to bring home to be signed by student & parent. Once signed, your child will be asked to bring the form back to school no later than today, <u>MONDAY</u> <u>SEPT 13th</u>. Students will not receive a Chromebook if we do not receive your signed

Agreement Forms.

We hope that these devices will become an integral part of their educational experience in Wappingers. Our ability to continue this 1:1 program will be dependent on the success our students have with this initiative. If all goes well, Students in grades 7 & 8 will be eligible to borrow a Chromebook from the District via this 1:1 program for the duration of their enrollment with the District.

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.

NATIONAL DAY

Today September 13 -

National Kids Take Over The Kitchen Day on September 13th brings the youngest cooks into the kitchen! Kids and teens across the country are called to take over their kitchens! This observance encourages using their favorite recipes to make a meal for their family. (Adult supervision and assistance as required for the younger bakers and chefs in the house!)

The Young Chefs Academy (YCA) mission empowers kids and teens to become more actively involved in the kitchen. They encourage children to help in the planning, preparation, and cooking of meals. Another focus of the YCA includes fostering family bonds. As a result of their work, they actively fight the battle against the many serious health and social issues related to youth's eating habits in today's time.

When children take an active part in their family mealtimes, they learn to eat healthier. However, mealtime is also a social activity. We learn about each other's days and take an interest in each other's lives. Mealtimes are enormously productive when we work together and enjoy together as families.

Tomorrow: Sept 14 - On September 14th, National Live Creative Day encourages us to let the world see our creativity all day long!

To Live Creative allows for the exploration of imagination. Celebrate the day by taking the time to invent, discover, and dream. Try infusing creativity in our lives through a variety of media. Whether it's by painting or graphic art to music and gardening, art has an impact on our lives. By expressing our passions and living creative lives, we experience the world.

Stepping into the Live Creative world includes a tremendous sense of freedom. Rules tend to fall away when we unleash our imagination. Of course, authors and artists have long suspended reality in support of their work, to the satisfaction of their vision. They live creatively.

We don't have to be a master sculptors to Live Creative. Blending a dash of creativity into moments of our everyday life can have a powerful effect. Simply being exposed to the arts inspires ideas at home and in the workplace. Renewing a hobby reduces stress just by being purely enjoyable. Teaching someone else the craft nurtures personal expression and offers an opportunity to see the world through another's eyes.

Thank you.

Remember....."WE ARE WAPPINGERS !!"