

Oct. 18, 2019

Village School Weekly Update

Oct. 21, 22: Early Dismissal for Grades K-5 for Parent/Teacher Conferences

PTA News

The Village PTA Fall Book Fair is coming up Monday, Oct. 28 through Friday, Nov. 1. The book fair is a beloved and important fundraiser for our school which promotes the importance of literacy to our kids. There are many ways to support the book fair:

- Volunteer/Class Schedule:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4baaad2aa3fc1-village>
- Scholastic Flyer Sneak Peek:
<http://bookfairsfiles.scholastic.com/flippingbooks/f19-custom-booklist/f19-custom-booklist.html#p=1>
- Buy Pre-Sale (Newest Books in the Diary of a Wimpy Kid and Dog Man Series):
<http://www.west-windsor-plainsboro.k12.nj.us/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=68169001>
- Set up eWallet:
<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/homepage.do?method=homepage&url=villageelementaryschool24>

Box Tops – Send any Box Tops in an envelope in your child’s backpack. NOTE: Please check the expiration dates. There will be a Box Tops contest in early 2020!

McCaffrey’s Receipts – The Village PTA earns a 1% rebate on the amount you spend at McCaffrey’s (minus milk and sushi). Just save your receipts and send them to school. NOTE: We can only use receipts within 3 months

Reflections Program - Be a part of the 2019 Village PTA Reflections Arts Program - Look Within. Students can submit in the following categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts. Flyers and submission forms have been distributed. Click [here](#) for details. All art entries and artist statements are due to the Village School front office no later than Nov. 1 and must be created by Village Students only.

Useful links: [Join the PTA](#) | [PTA Website](#)

SEPTSA

- SEPTSA is a district-wide PTSA supporting parents, guardians and students who receive special education, related services and accommodations for physical, emotional and or learning challenges.
- If you have a student with an IEP or a 504 plan and you missed our table at Back To School Night, click [here](#) for the membership form. **SEPTSA's First Parent Workshop** is Nov. 14, 7 p.m. at Community Middle School. Dr. Teresa Herrero Taylor, PhD BCBA-D, will present on the evaluation referral process and assessments (educational, psychological, speech-language) conducted by the child study team. Learn more about how testing determines special education eligibility and shapes IEP development.

Useful Links: [WW-P SEPTSA Facebook](#) | [WW-P SEPTSA Website](#)

School News

- Have your children been talking about having a “growth mindset?” Please join us for a special Parent University event on Thursday, October 24 at 7 p.m. at High School South. “The Road to Resilience: Developing a Growth Mindset” offers parents practical strategies in supporting child and adolescent resiliency, grit, and perseverance. The importance of healthy coping mechanisms, emotional intelligence, and supportive relationships to overcome adversity will be discussed.
- With parent/teacher conferences occurring this week and next, this is a reminder to please have photo identification with you when checking in at school.
- Is your child missing a sweatshirt, water bottle, lunch bag, etc.? While you are in the building for parent/teacher conferences, please check out the lost and found items on display in the front hallway.

Upcoming Dates

- October 21, 22 - Early Dismissal Days for Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Check out the [Academic Calendar](#) to see upcoming dates

Around the District News

- Gorgeous designer handbags plus tricky tray raffle prizes at the [HSS Post Prom Pocketbook Bingo](#) **THIS Sunday, Oct. 20** at Millstone River School to benefit Post Prom 2020. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. and games begin at 2 p.m. Tickets include 12 games of bingo and are \$30 at the door.
- Save the date for the **High School North National Honor Society's Trunk or Treat** 4-6 p.m. Oct. 26 in the HSN Stadium Parking Lot. Click [here](#) for more information on this event.
- Parents and students (ages 11 and up) are invited to join HSN and Community Middle School student organizations **HEAL and NuYu Friday, Oct. 25** at 6 p.m. at High School North for a one-of-a-kind seminar on mental wellbeing with renowned speakers and mental health advocates. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.
- Village and Millstone River Schools are holding a **coat drive for a local charity**. The schools will be accepting clean, gently worn winter jackets and coats as well as NEW hats, scarves, gloves and mittens. Donations can be dropped off **Saturday, Oct. 26** from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Millstone River School.
- Join us at the 11th induction ceremony of the **WWPHS South Hall of Honor** on **Nov. 2!** The hall of honor was founded to connect the past to the present and the future; in recognizing those who have brought honor to our school we keep alive the spirit of South. These honorees are an integral part of our history. Check out the [website for this year's inductees and to purchase tickets](#) or send a check (for \$25 made out to WWPHSS Hall of Honor) to Cathy Tantum at HSS.

District Updates

- [District Website](#) | [Academic Calendars](#) | [Event Calendar](#)

Counseling and Wellness

- A special Parent University event will be held **Thursday, Oct. 24, 7 p.m.** at High School South. The Road to Resilience: Developing a Growth Mindset offers parents practical strategies in supporting child and adolescent resiliency, grit and perseverance. The importance of healthy coping mechanisms, emotional intelligence and supportive relationships to overcome adversity will be discussed. Please visit the district website for more information on this and other upcoming [Parent University Events](#).

Community Education

- **Cultivating Joy After Loss** - Monday, Oct. 28. Presented by Blindspot Training. Adults will learn strategies to work through loss and begin to bring more joy into their life. Sign up through [Community Education](#) under 2019-20 Adult & Youth Programs. Please note: There is a cost associated with this program. *This is not a substitute for grief counseling.*
- Tennis Anyone? **Family Fun Friday** is Nov. 15. Presented by TGA of Mercer County - Children and parents, come out for a night of family fun, with tennis and snacks! Learn basic skills of the game in a non-competitive environment. All equipment is provided. Sign up through Community Education under 2019-20 Adult & Youth Programs. Please note: There is a cost associated with this program.
- **Extended Day Program** registration is ongoing throughout the school year! [Sign up when you need it.](#)
- Space is still available in the morning and afternoon **Kindergarten Extension**. Register through [Community Education](#) under 2019-20 Extended Day, KE, Pre-K.

Community Events

- Are you looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the [community event section](#) on the district's website!

Food Services

- Make sure to download [Sodexo's So Happy app](#)! Download the app to view nutritional information, allergens and more. Check out the [menus](#) for October!

WW-P Board of Education

- Check out the upcoming [Board of Education Meetings](#) and materials.

WW-P Education Foundation

- Mark your calendars for the [WW-P Education Foundation's Julia Robinson Mathematics Festival](#) Oct. 19, 2019, at Grover Middle School. This event is broken up by grade level: grades K-3 will meet from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and grades 4-8 will meet from 2-4 p.m.

Make sure to follow the district on WW-P's official social media pages.

[Twitter](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [LinkedIn](#) | [Youtube](#)