

Oct. 18, 2019

## Town Center Elementary School Weekly Update

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

#### PTA News

**Masquerade Ball** is Friday, Oct. 18 (6-8 p.m.). Town Center's biggest family event of the season is almost here. So, put on a costume and join us for a fun-filled evening for the whole family with tons of activities to choose from!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!** We are looking for volunteers for our Masquerade Ball and for the Bake Sale that takes place during the ball. This is a huge event and we need lots of help! Please sign up here:

- [Masquerade Ball Help](#)
- [Bake Sale](#)

Join us for the next **Coffee with the Counselor** on Oct. 25, 2019, at 9 a.m. If you are interested in obtaining more information about the HIB initiative and how to detect and prevent bullying, please visit our [Facebook page](#) or see our Whatsapp group for links to resources sent by Mrs. Anas.

**Fall Fest** is coming up Oct. 31, 2019. We have an amazing day planned for the children. Activities will include crafts, games and a scavenger hunt.

**Bollywood Dance Night** is coming up Nov. 6, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. Join the TC crew for a fun night of learning to Bollywood dance while burning calories! Ticket order forms will be sent home soon.

**Reflections 2019-2020:** has been launched and this year's theme is "LOOK WITHIN." All TC students are encouraged to participate and submit their entries by Nov. 13, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. A flyer/form has been sent home with the students.

#### Events:

- Oct. 18: Masquerade Ball (6-8 p.m.)
- Oct. 25: Coffee with the Counselor (9-10 a.m.)

- Oct. 31: Fall Fest (During School Hours)
- Nov. 6: Bollywood Dance Night (7:30 - 8:30 p.m.)
- Nov. 18 - 22: Book Fair

**Useful links:** [PTA Website](#) | [Email](#) | [Facebook Page](#)

## **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](#)

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## **School News**

- Oct. 21-22: Early Dismissals (1 p.m.) for Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Check out the [Academic Calendar](#) to see upcoming dates.

On early dismissal days for conferences, lunch is not served. Please plan to pack an extra-large snack on these days.

We are looking forward to a wonderful evening of fun at the Town Center Masquerade Ball. Keep an eye out for a rather large Bumblebee and Ladybug flying around the

event! Don't forget to bring cash/check to bid on some amazing silent auction baskets. They are fabulous!

We will begin our food drive for the Plainsboro Pantry starting at the Masquerade Ball. It will extend through Fall Fest and conclude on Nov. 1. If you would like to donate please bring a canned good and drop it off in the box near the front office. As the weather gets cooler, please be sure your child has proper layers to keep them comfortable throughout the day inside or outside.

### **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.

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## 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](#)