High School North Weekly Update

WW-P Schools are closed Thursday, Nov. 7 and Friday, Nov. 8. Due to the shortened week, there will not be a Nov. 8 newsletter.

PTSA News

 HSN families don't forget to send in your <u>PTSA membership</u> dues and support our <u>JWAC program</u>. Remember to sign up for <u>"Counselors and parents</u> <u>roundtable</u>" and <u>"Paying for College</u>" presentation. Details are included below.

Upcoming Events and Reminders

- HSN PTSA October Food Drive to benefit Plainsboro Food Pantry: Families may send donations with their student(s) throughout the month of October. A drop off box labeled "HSN PTSA Food Drive" will remain outside the main office. Thank you to everyone who brought donations to Back to School Night.
- National PTA Reflections Program: Please join this year's Reflection program and submit your entry to North PTSA by Nov. 15. This year's theme is *LOOK* WITHIN, please visit the <u>National PTA website</u> or click the <u>link</u> to download Reflections packet with the detailed information. Use this link to download the <u>student entry form</u>. Students may drop off their entry in the box outside the main office.
- Nov. 5: WW-P High School North Counselors and parents open round table discussion from 8:45-9:45 a.m. <u>Here</u> is the flyer with additional information and the<u>link</u> for parents to register.
- Nov. 14: HSN PTSA Meeting "Paying for College" at 6:30 p.m. Open to all parents. <u>Guest Speaker</u>: Heather Hillman, from HESAA (Higher Education Student Assistance Authority) Financial Aid Office.

- Join us in the HSN Media Center to learn about, Types of Financial Aid, sources of aid, State grants and scholarships, Institutional and private scholarships, what the FAFSA, CSS profile are all about!
- Learn the terminology such as FSA ID, Net Price calculator, EFC,
 difference between FAFSA and CSS profile. Representative, Heather
 Hillman will be there to give practical tips for college financing and answer
 application questions. <u>Use the link to sign up for this program.</u>
- Nov. 19: CMS PTSA Meeting with the Superintendent at 9 a.m. CMS PTSA invites HSN families to attend the presentation by Dr. David Aderhold, superintendent of schools. He will be providing an update on the construction scheduled to start next year at CMS, including a review of changes and adjustments that will affect traffic, driving, parking, etc. Although the construction is at CMS, HSN will be affected due to new driving pattern. All families interested are encouraged to attend.

Useful links: <u>PTSA Website</u> | <u>Membership & Scholarship Donations</u> | If you have questions about information in the PTSA section please email us.

SEPTSA

- SEPTSA is a districtwide 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 <u>here</u> for the membership form.
- Nov. 14: SEPTSA Meeting Deciphering Tests and Evaluations, 7 p.m. at Community Middle School (55 Grovers Mill Road, Plainsboro). Speaker: Teresa Taylor, Ed.Phd., Psychologist, Adjunct Professor at Rider University, and Director of Special Services in Freehold Regional High School District. Following our brief PTSA meeting, Dr. Taylor will discuss the Special Education evaluation process, the tests often administered and their measures/ metrics to better understand

how these tests assess the student's academic and cognitive needs. Contact Kathleen at kkz4@verizon.net to let us know if you can attend and if you have any questions.

Useful Links: <u>WW-P SEPTSA Facebook</u> | WW-P SEPTSA Website

School News

- Reminder that schools will be **closed Thursday**, **Nov. 7 and Friday**, **Nov. 8**. Check out the <u>Academic Calendar</u> to see additional upcoming dates.
- Believe it or not, **winter weather will be coming soon**. To be proactive and to ensure that you are "in the loop" on all announcements regarding weather-related closings or changes in schedules, please click <u>HERE</u> for our district's communication system.
- **AP Exam Registration**: <u>High School students planning to take AP exams must</u> register online between Oct. 4 and Nov. 8. The cost is \$105 per exam. Questions can be directed to the appropriate high school counseling department.
- Check out the High School North <u>Calendar of Activities</u>, <u>The Knights' Armory</u> and High School North's <u>Lost and Found</u>.

Athletics

- Pink-Out Football Game TONIGHT, Nov. 1. October is breast cancer awareness month! Support the WW-P United Football Team by wearing pink and black for the last home game at High School North. Long and short-sleeve, Pink-Out T-shirts will be for sale at the game. Proceeds will benefit Hope in a Blanket, a local charity.
- **Districtwide Student Athlete Night** will be 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, at HSS.
- Congratulations to the North Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams. The boys team won the Mercer County Championship by placing all seven of their runners in the overall top 14! The girls team performed extremely well, taking 2nd place team honors!

Post Prom Committee

- Please like the Post Prom <u>Facebook</u> page and invite your friends, too! Stay up-to-date on upcoming events, volunteer opportunities and more.
- In order to make Post Prom successful, we depend on the partnership of schools, families and civic-minded business owners and corporations. Are you or do you know a local business owner? We invite our community business leaders to become a sponsor of Post Prom by making a tax-deductible donation. Find out more <u>here</u>.
- The Post Prom committee is collecting McCaffrey's receipts and Box Tops for Education. You can mail your receipts/box tops directly to Amy Vogel at 9 Revere Court, West Windsor, NJ 08550.
- We've just added a NY Designer Sample Sale to our <u>Holiday Shopping</u>
 <u>Extravaganza</u> line-up for Friday, Nov. 1! This will be a fun day/evening of shopping and socializing; a portion of the proceeds will go to Post Prom. The event will be held at Amy Vogel's home at 9 Revere Court in West Windsor. The hours are 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and then again from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. Our other vendors include Peach athleisure wear, J'belle jewelry and accessories, handmade jewelry by Missi Rubenstein Designs and Beautycounter cosmetics and skincare.

Around the District

• **WWPHS South Hall of Honor**: Join us at the 11th induction ceremony of the WWPHS South Hall of Honor on Nov. 2! Check out the <u>website for this year's</u> <u>inductees and to purchase tickets</u>.

District Updates

• District Website | Academic Calendars | Event Calendar

Counseling and Wellness

• Check out the upcoming <u>Parent University Events</u> for the 2019-20 school year.

Community Education

- Winter After School Enrichment is now open for registration. Spaces fill fast, so do not delay! Download the brochure from the district <u>website</u>. Registration closes Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020.
- <u>Check out</u> some exciting Family Fun Nights and Upcoming Adult Program available through Community Education.
- Extended Day Program registration is ongoing throughout the school year! <u>Sign</u> <u>up when you need it.</u>
- Space is still available in the morning and afternoon Kindergarten Extension. Register through <u>Community Education</u> under 2019-20 Extended Day, KE, Pre-K.

Community Events

- The Big Disconnect: Family Life in the Digital Era: WW-P parents are invited to attend a Hamilton Township School District sponsored presentation by Dr. Catherine Steiner-Adair titled, "The Big Disconnect: Family Life in the Digital Era" on Nov. 13, 7 p.m. at Reynolds Middle School in Hamilton Township.
- Are you looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the <u>community event section</u> on the district's website!

Food Services

• Make sure to download <u>Sodexo's So Happy app</u>! Download the app to view nutritional information, allergens and more. Check out the <u>menus</u> for November!

WW-P Board of Education

• Check out the upcoming <u>Board of Education Meetings</u> and materials.

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

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