Wicoff Elementary School 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.

PTA News

Hope you had a happy and safe Halloween! The season for festivities is just getting started. Keep reading for more info on signing up for our first annual dance party and the PTA Reflections Program.

Upcoming Events

• PTA Reflections Program: Here is a chance for your child to explore their artistic side in a variety of media from photography and visual arts to dance, film making, music composition or literature by creating a completely original creative piece as independently as possible. Parental help should be to guide and procure resources, etc. All works will be judged at different levels. The first level is within our school and then best entries will be sent to the local, council, state and national levels. It is fun and great exposure for your child's creativity. The theme for the 2019-2020 program year is 'Look Within.' This contest is open to all students. Please remember that at least one parent MUST be a PTA member for their child to participate. Please submit your artwork by Nov. 11, 2019, to Ms. Danica Taylor, our media center specialist. Please download the Reflections packet from here:

http://www.west-windsor-plainsboro.k12.nj.us/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=68167491

- Themed Dance Party: Nov. 14 (Sign up deadline is Nov. 11) Join us for our first annual dance party on the evening of Nov. 14. There will be dancing, music and lots of fun at this party. The entry fee is \$10 per family. Food and merchandise will be available for purchase. Forms will be going home shortly, please return completed forms with payment by Nov. 11. Wicoff's PTA Reflections entries will be on display.
- Family Entertainment Night: We are jumping a little ahead to get on your calendar. Please save the dates for the Family Entertainment Night for grade 1

and Kindergarten on **Jan. 24** and grades 2 and 3 on **Jan. 31**. It's a fun evening to showcase the talents of our little Wicoff friends. Sign-ups and details forthcoming.

Useful Links: <u>Email</u> | <u>Website</u> | Facebook

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
information on our district's Communication System.

Around the District

- 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.
- **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 inductees and to purchase tickets</u>.

District Updates

• <u>District Website</u> | <u>Academic Calendars</u> | <u>Event Calendar</u>

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> up when you need it.
- 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, "<u>The Big Disconnect: Family Life in the Digital Era</u>" 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 **Board of Education Meetings** and materials.

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

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