

June 22, 2020

Town Center Elementary School Weekly Update

This newsletter will be the last newsletter of the 2019-20 school year.

A Message From the Town Center Administration

Dear Town Center Parents & Guardians,

Happy Summer!

We have just now put a close to our recent experience of remote learning - an experience we could never have imagined as we opened our doors in September. As of Friday, June 19 at 1 p.m., the teaching staff members will be offline as we officially close this school year. Students should not post work after the dismissal on Friday. We hope that during the summer months, your family will stay healthy and well.

Since March 16, 2020, your child has continued to develop knowledge and skills while engaging in the remote learning experiences. During the summer months, the students can continue to grow in their world of curiosity and imagination, discovery and exploration, and of course reading and journaling about their great adventures. The world of possibilities for nurturing young minds filled with imagination and wonderings can only strengthen their journey.

WW-P is excited to share that many of our current digital content providers, resources, and databases will continue to be available to our WW-P students during the summer months. Resources are available for all grade levels and subject areas. Please use the links below to view the tools and find out more information about each site. Log in information may be found on each school's Media Center page and/or through your child's teacher.

- [WW-P Digital Tools & Technology Options](#)

Other great libraries of summer resources for our elementary students can be accessed via Padlet:

- [Summer Resources 2020](#)

- [Summer Experiences and Virtual Trips](#)

Our times are still rather uncertain as we look ahead to September. School offices will continue to function remotely. Please know that we will maintain timely and informative contact with you during the summer months. We would advise you to check the district website periodically to obtain updated information.

If you were unable to participate in the scheduled Supply Pickup/Drop Off Days, please know that through the summer, student supplies will be kept in an area located near the main office. It is recommended that you email the school office staff to arrange for pickup of materials and drop off of library and classroom books.

If you are moving or planning to move either out of the district or within the district it is **very important** that you notify the school main office staff. This is important for the placement process and to ensure you receive any information that may be mailed out. The student transfer form can be found here [Student Transfer Form](#).

We continue to be here to support you and want to assist you as needed. We have resources available to families in need.

- Families who qualify for free or reduced meals are being supported by bi-monthly food distribution. If your circumstances have changed and you need assistance in this area, please contact the guidance counselor, nurse or building administrator.
- Technology resources remain available during the summer months. Elementary students who currently have iPads and Chromebooks will keep these devices over the summer. The primary purpose of an iPad or Chromebook device is for exploration for learning and access to educational resources. If there is a problem with the device, you are in need of internet access, or if your family is moving from the district, please complete this [form](#). Once you complete this form, you may report to High School North on Tuesday or Thursday between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. to get the tech support or sign out a device. Please note: The form must be completed prior to going to High School North. You will not receive a notification to report to the high school; please go to High School North on the next Tuesday or Thursday following submission of the form.

Enjoy the summer months ahead and stay well.

Warmest regards,
Janet Bowes and Renee Osterbye

School Updates

PTA Reminders:

I know we have all missed numerous events in our lives over the last few months...but I am confident one of the most crushing losses we all felt was losing our 2020 Spring Book Fair. Well, we have good news, we are taking our Book Fair to the next level and introducing our VIRTUAL BOOK FAIR!!! By clicking on this link (<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/tcgator>) and clicking on the "shop now" button, you can buy books AND support the TCPTA without having to leave your couch. Happy shopping!

Please be advised we have received the following nominations for the TCPTA Executive Board for the 2020-21 school year:

- President: Josh Youngman
- VP Membership: Saima Shabab
- VP Programs: Faiza Raja
- Co-VP's Fundraising: Heather Hutchinson and Stephanie Eng
- Treasurer: Shivali Chandhok
- Recording Secretary: Sree Sanku

A Special Note from Millstone River School to 2nd Grade Families:

Dear 2nd grade families,

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you and your children as the newest Millstone River Eagles. For an introduction to what life at Millstone River School is like for students, please click the link provided below. You'll get to hear from teachers about all the exciting learning that lies ahead and even have some of your questions answered by actual MRS students themselves!

We can't wait to meet you!

Mr. Dalton, Dr. Falk, and Mrs. Shanklin

Millstone River School Principal and Assistant Principals
Millstone River School 3rd and 4th Grade Orientation

Reminders:

- **Assistance:** If your child needs assistance, please email us at tce@ww-p.org.
 - **Athletics:** Check out the latest edition of the [WW-P Athletics newsletter](#) featuring highlights of some of our amazing senior spring athletes, fall registration and more.
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District Updates

- [District Website](#) | [COVID-19 Information](#) | [Virtual/Remote Learning Website](#)

Fall 2020 Survey

- WW-P would like to hear from you regarding your input on what a safe Fall 2020 school reopening (whether physical, virtual, or a blend of the two) would look like. We invite families to [provide their input](#) so that we may collect feedback that will assist us as we plan for the fall. An email was sent to parents/guardians on June 22.

Virtual 8th Grade Salutes and Graduation Celebrations

- Please click [here](#) to check out the CMS and GMS Virtual Eighth Grade Salutes (June 18) and HSN and HSS Virtual Commencement Exercises (June 19).

Community Education

- Registration is now open for WW-P's Community Education Virtual Summer Programs. Spaces are limited, register soon! Please click [here](#) to view the Virtual Summer Program Guide and click [here](#) to register.

Counseling and Wellness

- The WW-P District Wellness Committee has created a [website](#) to promote the understanding that wellness is an active process of becoming aware of and making choices toward a healthy and fulfilling life.

- **Health Resources:** WW-P district nurses have pulled together [important health information](#) for families. Please check it out.

Curriculum Corner

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District Facilities

- **Playground Equipment and Athletic Fields:** All school playground equipment/athletic fields/courts/tracks/etc remain closed until further notice.

Food Services

- If your child(ren) receives food benefits, please check your email later this week for instructions. Food benefits will continue throughout the summer.
- If your financial situation has recently changed and you would like information on food benefits, please click [here](#) for details and to download the application.

Registration

- At this time, all student registration for incoming kindergarten students for the 2020-21 school year, as well as students moving into the WW-P Regional School District will be done by appointment and virtually until the district reopens. Please [click here](#) for more information and to begin the process.

State Information

- **State of New Jersey:** www.covid19.nj.gov has been created as the official **COVID-19** information hub for the State of New Jersey. The website includes up-to-date information, services, where to find assistance, job opportunities, and more.
- **A Program of Center for Food Action - Hunger Free New Jersey:** This non-profit organization is working with its partners to inform citizens of rapidly developing changes to address hunger during this crisis. For information and

resources on programs such as NJ school meals, SNAP, WIC, and more, please visit the [organization's website](#).

Communications

- WW-P uses SchoolMessenger as our [district communication tool](#). SchoolMessenger integrates with Genesis. It is important to ensure that your contact information is up-to-date in Genesis so that you may receive emails/texts/calls from WW-P.
- Click [here](#) to read the Spring 2020 issue of the WW-P District News. Included in this issue: celebrating the class of 2020, saluting our eighth grade student, end of year pickup/drop off information for schools, fall sports information and much more.

Community Events

- Community groups and organizations are beginning to organize in-person and virtual events. Click [here](#) for some upcoming activities.

Board of Education Meeting

- Check out the upcoming [Board of Education Meeting](#) dates. Agenda and materials for Board meetings are published after 3:30 p.m. the Friday prior to the meeting.

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

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