

Sept. 11, 2020

Maurice Hawk Elementary School

PTA

News

Hello Maurice Hawk Families,

We hope your first week at Hawk (either virtual or in-person) was exciting and enjoyable! We are all getting acclimated to this new routine together and I'm sure next week will only get better.

We, at the PTA, want all of our families to know that we are here to support and work together with them to form a strong and lasting partnership with teachers, students and staff!

We will meet the challenges of this unique school year and hope that you will join us to make this year happy, productive and healthy for all of our children! Please join our PTA using the secure online link: [PTA online membership](#)

Please remember to support our district schools and get ready for our **District-Wide School Spirit Day in November: #WWPSTRONG Spirit Wear**

We are currently working with the school administration to put together a calendar of events that can be held safely for our children so please look out for our updates here, on the weekly newsletter, and on our website (www.hawkpta.org).

Thank you for your support,
Maurice Hawk PTA Executive Board

SEPTSA

- Check back for information and updates from SEPTSA
 - **Links:** [SEPTSA Facebook Page](#) | [SEPTSA Website](#) | [Membership Form](#)
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School

Dear Maurice Hawk Families,

Welcome to the new school year! The 2020-21 school year began as no other in a world of hybrid and virtual learning. There have been many challenges getting to this point with scheduling, transportation and other details. As you may have seen in the first few days, we have adjusted entrance and dismissal protocols to maintain social distancing for the safety of our students. Please keep in mind that second week hybrid students will arrive at our school building for the first time next week and they will need time to adjust. We appreciate your patience as we navigate these unique times.

We remain focused on our efforts to support individual learners and recognize the challenges that occurred in the first days with the routines needed to engage in virtual environments. It is critical that you and your child maintain communication with the classroom teacher. Please refer to the letters teachers sent home at the opening of school for links to classes and protocols for students to participate in virtual environments.

To best guide you in assisting your child, the district curriculum and instruction team has provided links to resources that you may find useful.

- [Family and Caregiver Tutorials - Zoom and Others](#)
- [Google Classroom APP for Parents](#)

Our school benefits from a supportive PTA. We appreciate their support on opening days and throughout the summer to assist with the many tasks for the opening of schools and to support a warm welcome for all. If you have not already done so, please consider joining our PTA this year www.hawkpta.org

[Back to School Nights](#) - Additional information will be shared by your child's teacher

- Kindergarten and Grade 1 - Tuesday, Sept. 15 - 7 - 8 p.m.
- Grades 2 and 3 - Wednesday, Sept. 16 - 7 - 8 p.m.

Maurice Hawk General Membership PTA Meeting will be held Oct. 1. Please look for additional information.

Maurice Hawk Friends, prepare yourself for new jokes and riddles. We look forward to a year with new adventures and learning.

Best,

Ms. Buell and Mr. Colella

District

[WW-P District Website](#) | [Academic Calendars](#) | [Events Calendar](#)

Reminders

- **The week of Sept. 14 is Hybrid Week 2.** Please click [here](#) for the Sept./Oct. Hybrid Week Calendar as well as grade level Sample Rotations and Schedules.
- Health Screening: Please remember to complete the Daily Health Screening form for your child(ren) on the days they will be in-person. The form is located under the Forms tab in [Genesis](#).
- Supply List: Due to supply chain issues, WW-P is aware that many normally purchased items are hard, if not impossible to get this year. Please click [here](#) to view a **SUGGESTED** list of supplies for each grade level that will help to organize and prepare your child(ren) for the 2020-21 school year.
- Contact Information: Is your contact information up-to-date in Genesis? If your email or phone numbers have changed, please make sure to update your information in Genesis. If you would like to opt-in to receive SMS text messages from the District, please text "Yes" to "67587" from a cell phone that is listed with your contact information in Genesis. Text messaging rates may apply. For additional details, please click [here](#).

Counseling and Wellness

- **Virtual Parent University:** In partnership with Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care, West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District will be facilitating a virtual Parent University Thursday, Sept. 17 at 7 p.m. The topic will be "Reentry and Resilience: Continuing to Cope with COVID" to assist parents in understanding the anxious feelings, worries, and fears students may be feeling as they return to school. Appropriate support strategies, guidance, and tips will be shared. Families and caretakers may use the [WebEx link to register for the presentation](#).

Curriculum and Instruction

- Have a question about Google Classroom? Not sure how to use Zoom? Check out these [resources for support](#) in the Families and Caregivers Tutorial Helpdesk. More tutorials will be added as they become available.

Community Education

- **Extended Day Program (EDP)** spaces are still available for kindergarten through 5th grade students from 7 a.m. until the start of the school day and from the end of your child's school day through 6 p.m. Care is also being offered during your child's virtual week of school at two locations. For more information or to register for EDP, check out the [Community Education website](#).
- **Virtual Afterschool Enrichment Registration** is now open. Your child can join any age appropriate class from the hours of 3:45-4:45 p.m. twice a week, beginning Oct. 5. Registration closes on Sept. 28. To view classes offered this fall, [check out the brochure](#).

Food Services

- Distribution for WW-P students who currently receive food benefits will now occur on a **weekly basis**. Distribution will be held Mondays at High School North from 4-6 p.m. Families who receive benefits will continue to receive emails asking for a response regarding participation for the coming week. Completing the registration form in the weekly email is required prior to pick up.

Technology

- Broken Chromebook? WW-P students with Chromebooks that are damaged or in need of repair should complete this [Google form](#) (students must log in to their Google account to access the form) and then come to High School North on Tuesday or Thursday from 12:45 - 3:15 p.m.

District Communication

- WW-P uses SchoolMessenger as our [district communication tool](#). It is important to ensure that your contact information is up-to-date in Genesis.
- Click [here](#) to view the Fall 2020 WW-P District News.

Virtual Community Events

- Click [here](#) for upcoming virtual events and activities from community groups and organizations.

WW-P Board of Education

- 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.

Follow the district on WW-P's official social media pages.

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