

WEST DEPTFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

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West Deptford School District Board Highlights - October 2021



The following information is intended to inform staff and community members of recent action taken by the Board. The information included in this brief is not intended to be complete and does not replace official Board minutes. Please see the Board agenda on the District Website for the complete action of the Board.

ENROLLMENT: 2,863 as of October 15, 2021

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

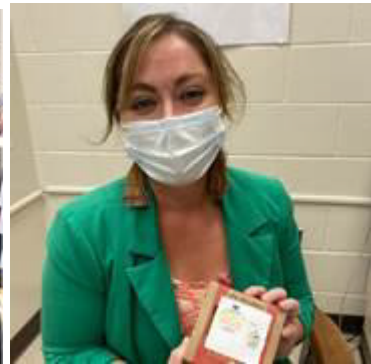
Mr. Cappello updated the Board on a variety of topics related to the District, which included the following discussion item(s):

- a. ARC Training Successful at the Elementary Schools
- b. Book fair was very successful
- c. Band Competition very successful
- d. Week of Respect in all schools very successful Oct 25-29
- e. Unity Day at the Middle School October 20
- f. Coffee with Administrators - Success
 - i. Continue to work on equity
 - ii. Busing discussions
 - iii. Balance communication
 - iv. Keep students in the schools
- g. Red Ribbon Week coming up
- h. Trunk or Treat October 30 - thank you to WDEA
- i. Operation Blessing coming up December 11!!
- j. Busing issues are being handled
- k. Still very short personnel

STAFF RECOGNITION:

World Teachers' Day

In celebration of World Teachers' Day, the WDMS HSO surprised our staff with mini pies! Staff were excited to check their mailboxes to see if they received apple, cherry, or pumpkin!



Animal Therapy at the Middle School



WDMS Animal Therapy Room - ATR

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Ms. McCue's class provides daily care for our animals and were so excited to see all of the generous donations that were deli... [See More](#)





PERSONNEL

- Appointments:
 - District Network Technician (to replace resignation)
 - Cafeteria Worker (to replace resignation)
 - Hire Aides (to replace resignation)
 - Elementary Health Office Assistants
 - Substitute Teachers
- Resignation/Retirement:
 - Non-instructional Aide
 - Groundskeeper
- Change of Status:
 - Transfer of MS/HS Health Office Aides to Health Office Assistants
 - Transfer of Red Bank Instructional Aide to Red Bank Long Term Preschool Teacher
 - Middle School STAMP Advisors

- Volunteer Girls' Basketball Coach (Middle School)
- Advisors (Green-Fields)

THE BOARD APPROVED THE FOLLOWING:

- Cafeteria Donations - thank you to community members
- Budget Preparation Calendar
- Move budget surplus to pay for soft cost of bus project
- Middle School Field Trips
- Winter Athletic Schedules - Middle School
- Health Office Assistant - new position created
- 2021-2022 Board, District, and Superintendent Goals

Policies:

- Bylaw 0164: Conduct of Board Meeting (Move Executive Session to the beginning of the meeting)
- Policy 2425: Required Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program

Job Descriptions:

- The Board approved job descriptions for the following positions: Health Office Assistant

BUSINESS, FACILITIES, & FINANCE:

- The Board approved the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports, Transfers, Payroll, and Bills Lists.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Numerous other requests for approval for workshop attendance, student activities, and education items were approved by the Board of Education. These approvals will be reflected in the formal minutes of the meeting, which are available in the office of the Board of Education Secretary, as well as posted online after Board approval. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is a workshop meeting Monday, November 1, 2021 at 7pm. This date and time are subject to change.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Red Bank Events

- October 19: Staff Meeting
- October 20: Preschool Trike-A-Thon to benefit St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital
- October 25-29: Red Ribbon Week
- October 26: Coffee with Admins
- October 29: Halloween Parade @ 1:00
- October 30: WDEA Trunk-or-Treat
- November 11: Honor Guard Veterans breakfast (tentative)
- November 18, 19, 22: Parent Teacher Conferences (day)
- November 23: Parent Teacher Conferences (evening)

Oakview Events

- October 14: Family Night at the OV Book Fair (5:30-7:30 pm)
- October 19: Preschool Trike-a-Thon (10:00-10:30 am)
- October 21-22: Surprising OV students with the first-ever OV Pumpkin Patch to pick pumpkins. (9:30-2:30)
- October 25-29: Red Ribbon Week
- October 29: Halloween Parades (9:30-11:00)
- October 30: WDEA Truck-or-Treat (12:30-2:30)
- November 18-23: Parent-Teacher Conferences

Green-Fields Events

- October 25-29: Red Ribbon Week
- October 29 Halloween festivities
- October 30: WDEA Truck-or-Treat (12:30-2:30)
- November 18th, 19th, 22nd, 23rd: Parent Teacher Conference

Middle School Events

- October 18: Field Hockey Game, Home, 4:00 pm
- October 19: Field Hockey Game, Away @ Kingsway, 4:00 pm
- October 20: Unity Day
- October 21: Physical Education Cross Country Run for Qualifying Students, WD Park, 1:00 pm
- October 21: Field Hockey Game, Away @ Haddon Heights, 4:00 pm
- October 21: WDMS Music Dept. Fundraiser at Pat's Pizza in National Park
- October 22: Field Hockey Game, Home, 4:00 pm
- October 22: Gr. 5/6 Fall Fest, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
- October 25- 29: Red Ribbon Week
- October 25: Field Hockey Game, Away @ Haddonfield, 3:45 pm
- October 27: Lost and Found donated to local shelter
- October 29: WD Ugly Sweater Orders are Due
- November 9: WDMS Home & School Meeting, 6:30 pm
- November 12: Winter Athletic Physicals are Due
- November 18: WDMS Music Dept. Fundraiser at Pat's Pizza in National Park
- November 22: WDMS Girls Basketball Tryouts Begin
- November 29: WDMS Boys Basketball Tryouts Begin
- November 29: Wrestling Begins
- November events with dates TBD: Door decorating contest and Operation Blessing Collections

High School Events

- October Monthly Theme: KINDNESS
- October Monthly Awareness: Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- Week of October 18th: NO NAME CALL WEEK
- November 7: TOB CHAMPIONSHIPS HERSHEY!
- November 18: NHS Induction Ceremony (Indoor...maybe virtual now)
- November 22: WDHS Powder Puff (Outdoors)
- November 23: WDHS heads to WDMS
- December 4: WDHS BAND PARADE - Cape May
- December 7: 1st BBALL SCRIMMAGE
- December 11: Operation Blessing
- December 21: Winter Fine Arts Festival (Virtual)