

February 2018

West Deptford Middle School

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JOIN US FOR FAMILY STEAM NIGHT!

On Tuesday, February 6, 2018 from 6:30-8:00 pm at West Deptford Middle School, students and parents/guardians will have the opportunity to experience all the enriching, interactive and engaging activities our STEAM program has to offer to our middle school students. WDMS students will interact with their parent(s) through three of the seven STEAM stations based upon their registration selection. Please note that students must be pre-registered to attend. The sign up link was active through Jan. 31, 2018. There is a limited capacity of 15 students per activity station. Please be reminded that students must be accompanied by an adult during the entirety of the event. This night is intended only for WDMS students and their parents/guardians therefore we will supply childcare in the library for younger siblings. We look forward to seeing you soon!



PTO Designer Bag Bingo and Basket Auction

The WDMS PTO annual Designer Bag Bingo and Basket Auction is Friday, February 9, 2018, in the WDMS Cafeteria! Doors open at 6:00pm and games will begin at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$30 each and on sale now! Tickets include 15 games of bingo, dabber, door prizes and light refreshments. Also available are the basket auction, special raffles, and 50/50! Feel free to bring your own food and non-alcoholic beverages.

You must be 18 years of age to attend and play. Tickets sell fast-be sure to get a ticket while you can! For ticket info, contact Patty Watts 856-343-8789 or thewattsfamily@msn.com, Ali Smedley 856-371-0280 or ali.smedley@gmail.com, Jen Zanes 856-803-4591 or tomanycs@aol.com, Stacey Byrne 516-375-2502 or swb6mom@yahoo.com, or Kim Demcher 609-254-5712 or kdemcher@yahoo.com. Tickets will also be available at the WDMS PTO meeting on February 6 and at the elementary schools Green-Fields School (Amber Hill), Oakview School (Dee Leonard) and Red Bank School (Amy Wilson). Thank you for your support!

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 1

Q2 Report cards distributed via email

February 6

PTO Mtg-WDMS library 6:30

February 6

STEAM Night-6:30-8:00pm

February 9

5/6 Band & Choir trip

February 9

PTO Designer Bag BINGO 6pm

February 12

Gertrude Hawk Candy Sale begins

February 13

Game Night-WD Public Library

February 13

Jump Rope for Heart

February 14

All "A"s Ice Cream Party 1:15pm

February 15

Full day of school

February 16

Honor Roll Pretzel Day

February 16

Early Dismissal-12:29pm

February 19

School Closed-Presidents Day

February 20

Movie Maker Mtg-WD Public Library

February 20

8th gr Parent Night @ WDHS 6:30

February 20

Boys Basketball-Chipotle Night 5-9pm

February 21

5th gr Skating Party 3:30-5pm

February 21

Strategic Planning Mtg 7-8:30pm

RiverWinds Community Center

February 22

G&T History Night 6:00

February 23

Dance-gr 6-8; 6:30-8:30pm

February 26

Gertrude Hawk candy sale ends

February 27

Green Crafts-WD Public Library

February 28

Lost & Found donated to local charity

February 28

PTO Wendy's Night 5-8 pm

SCHOOL CALENDAR UPDATES

Due to the snow day on January 4, students will have a full day of school on February 15 and early dismissal on February 16. The snow day on January 5 will be made up on March 9 as a 1/2 day in-service. The complete district calendar can be found on the WDMS website at <http://wdeptford.k12.nj.us>, click on the calendar tab.

WDMS STUDENT COUNCIL OLYMPICS

The WDMS Student Council will be hosting their very own Olympics during the month of February. Students will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of "competitions" throughout the month.

Week One 2/5-2/9 Door Decorating Contest; 2/6 Sock Ball 5th grade

Week Two 2/13 Sock Ball 6th grade; 2/13 Olympic Trivia Day- All Social Studies classes; 2/20 Sock Ball 7th & 8th grades

Week Three 2/20-2/23 Spirit Week

- 2/20: WD Pride
- 2/21: Olympics
- 2/22: Favorite Sports
- 2/23: Wing Color

More
info to
Come!

Friday, February 23- Dance for grades 6-8, 6:30-8:30 pm in the WDMS Cafeteria



JUMP ROPE FOR HEART



Jump Rope for Heart is a great way for our students to raise funds and awareness to help combat Heart Disease, the #1 killer of all Americans. Interested students will collect donations from family and friends. The minimum donation to participate is \$5. This year's event will be held on Tuesday, February 13, during 7th & 8th periods. All students will receive information from their PE teacher on how to participate. Due to space limitations, this event will be capped at the first 180 students who sign-up. Please contact Mrs. Ramagli at kramagli@wdeptford.k12.nj.us with questions.

PTO NEWS – FEBRUARY 2018

6 PTO Meeting 6:30

9 Designer Bag Bingo- doors open at 6:00pm

15 Pretzel & Water Sale

28 Wendy's 5-8 PM

WDMS PTO is always looking for volunteers.

Please consider attending one of our monthly meetings to find out more about us!

Meetings are held the 1st Tues of each month in the WDMS library at 6:30 pm.

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

No child will be permitted to ride on other buses for any reason. Each student can only ride the bus they are assigned to ride. If you have a one day childcare issue, the person watching your child should pick them up at the school. No students are permitted to switch between buses.

Students will NOT be given permission by WDMS administration to walk to any other location except home. (i.e. ice cream stand, pizza place or a friends)

For additional transportation information, please visit our district website at:

http://www.wdeptford.k12.nj.us/district_info/transportation

STAYING CONNECTED AT WDMS

Please register for a PowerParent account in the main office (if you do not already have a PowerParent login). In addition, our school website is a great resource to help you stay up-to-date. Almost every piece of vital information, from either the staff or main office, is posted on the WDMS website. It is important to stay on top of your student's grades, attendance, and school events. In addition, you can stay connected with WDMS via our Official Facebook and Twitter pages. It is imperative that you alert our main office with any changes in phone numbers or email addresses.

LOST AND FOUND

The Lost and Found is located in the cafeteria to allow for students to check for their missing items daily. Any found eyeglasses, purses/wallets, cell phones, or other electronics are kept in the main office until they are claimed. Once a month we notify students and parents that the lost and found is full and all unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity.

WDMS ATHLETICS

Individual sport schedules and coach contact information are available on the WDMS website under the Athletic tab. Athletic late buses depart WDMS at approximately 4:30pm. Students may not stay after school without teacher supervision. If attending a sporting event as a spectator, students must leave and return at the beginning of the event. In the event an athletic event is postponed or canceled at the last minute, a "Remind" message will be sent from our Athletic Coordinator and a message will be posted in red at the top of the WDMS website. If interested in receiving Remind texts regarding the WDMS Athletics, please text @wdmsath to 81010 to sign up for Remind Text from our Athletic Coordinator, Mr. Jakubowski.

WINTER SPORT SCHEDULES

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Date	Time	Versus	Location
2/1	4:00 PM	Collingswood	Collingswood
2/6	4:00 PM	Haddon Hts	WDMS
2/7	4:00 PM	Glou. City	Gloucester City
2/8	4:00 PM	Pine Hill	Pine Hill
2/12	4:15 PM	Delsea	WDMS
2/13	4:00 PM	Monongahela	WDMS

BOYS BASKETBALL

Date	Time	Versus	Location
2/1	4:00 PM	Collingswood	WDMS
2/6	4:00 PM	Haddon Hts	Haddon Hts
2/7	4:00 PM	Glou. City	WDMS
2/8	4:00 PM	Pine Hill	WDMS
2/12	4:15 PM	Delsea	Delsea
2/13	4:00 PM	Monongahela	Monongahela

WRESTLING

Date	Time	Versus	Location
2/2	4:00 PM	Pennsville	Pennsville HS
2/3	9:00 AM	Col Conf Tourn	Paulsboro HS
2/6	4:00 PM	Clearview	Riverwinds
2/8	4:00 PM	Monongahela	Riverwinds

WDMS SPRING TRACK & FIELD BEGINS!

The West Deptford Middle School Track & Field Team has enjoyed tremendous success over the years. They have compiled several consecutive winning seasons and will seek to build on this during the 2018 campaign. **The team will begin training together on the first day of Spring, Tuesday, March 20.** This season will be the first season under new Head Coach, Mr. Eric Stanwood. As sad as we are to see Coach Burke move on to the High School, we are that much more excited to be under the tutelage of Coach Stanwood. This being his first year as head coach, Mr. Stanwood is truly looking forward to practices and getting all of the student athletes prepared for the High School level. "I am looking forward to an exciting first season as this great school's head coach! Our main goal is to have all of our student athletes show growth throughout the year and be successful." Come on out and support the Track & Field team this season as they open up on Wednesday, March 28 against the Hawks of Haddon Township. Good luck in the 2018 season to the WDMS Track & Field team!

Interested students should see Mr. Stanwood in room F-3. Athletic physical forms can be found on the WDMS website, <http://ms.wdeptford.k12.nj.us/> under the "Athletic" tab. The deadline to return completed physical forms is March 8, 2018. All students must be medically cleared by the Nurse's office before they will be permitted to practice. Please contact our Athletic Coordinator, Mr. Jakubowski at sjakubowski@wdeptford.k12.nj.us with any questions.