

REGIONAL REVIEW

Summer 2017

WELCOME TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

School begins on Wednesday, September 6, 2017. The full calendar is posted on the district web site, and includes four emergency closing dates, which means that if school is closed for an emergency or for inclement weather, school is in session for designated emergency closing days.

AROUND THE SCHOOLS

Here are some of the highlights from the past school year that showcase WW-P experiences:

Wicoff Elementary

School. It has been said that "A picture is worth a thousand words." And, we say: A Wicoff student mural called "United As One" is truly priceless. This gem of a 'flag' was proudly displayed throughout the school year.



Grover Middle School. The GMS Science Olympiad team received Second Place in the Middle School Division at the state competition for the second year in a row. In addition to team honors, there were 16 individual medalists.



Strategic Planning Core Team

STRATEGIC PLAN

This past spring, the district accepted a new mission statement and three strategic goals. The Strategic Planning Core team crafted this important message, and three committees have prepared the action plans to achieve these goals. http://www.ww-p.org/about_us/strategic_plan

MISSION STATEMENT

Building upon our tradition of excellence, the mission of the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District is to empower all learners to thoughtfully contribute to a diverse and changing world with confidence, strength of character, and love of learning.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS 2017

Kindergarten: September 13, 6:30 pm

Kindergarten Extension: September 28, 6:30 pm

Grade 1: September 13, 6:30 pm

Grade 2: September 14, 6:30 pm

Grade 3: September 14, 6:30 pm

Grade 3 (Millstone River): September 28, 7:00 pm

Grade 4: September 28, 7:00 pm

Grade 5: September 27, 7:00 pm

Grade 6: September 18, 6:30 pm

Grade 7: September 19, 6:30 pm

Grade 8: September 25, 6:30 pm

HSN: October 5, 6:30 pm

HSS: October 5, 7:00 pm

Community Middle School. The CMS Girls Robotics Automaton Silver qualified at the regional level to advance to the FIRST LEGO League State Competition. The students worked on a project, "Saving the Bluefin Tuna," and built and programmed a robot named ATLAS.



Maurice Hawk Elementary School. Libraries play an important role in the lives of students. As part of a science unit, a Hawk student created a book on marine animals; with suggestions from classmates and research at the library, a digital book was published!



High School North. Student-athletes know the value of teamwork and sportsmanship. The 19-member HSN Girls Soccer team had a great season: competed in the NJSIAA championships; finished second in their division; and received 33 individual awards.



Dutch Neck Elementary School. Sponsored by the PTA, Dutch Neck hosted an International Fair. Students used passports to travel between countries, prepared posters, played international games, participated in craft projects, and held a costume parade.



Millstone River School. Celebrating Read Across America, Millstone River hosted a read-in, listened to guest readers, and held two fundraisers to help those in need. Everyone wore "Read My Shirt Day," shirts celebrating reading all around the world.

Town Center Elementary School. Town Center students completed science projects for a school-wide Science Fair. The goal was to encourage scientific exploration and promote a deep lifelong passion for science. Students received certificates of participation.

STRATEGIC GOALS

We believe that every individual has intrinsic worth, that embracing diversity enriches and empowers our community, and that people reach their full potential when encouraged to believe it is possible. Therefore, building upon our tradition of excellence, we will guide and support our students' growth, empowering them to value their individual learning journeys.

GOAL 1:

Understanding that all students have diverse needs, backgrounds, and approaches to learning, we will integrate tools and structures to appropriately challenge and enable students to realize their full potential. Action Plan Committee Co-chairs: Penny Fisher (K-5 supervisor of Language Arts) and Melissa Levine (HSN assistant principal)

GOAL 2:

Embracing a rapidly changing world, we will empower learners to assume active roles in their communities, to face and engage global challenges, and to contribute proactively toward a more peaceful, just, inclusive, and secure world. Action Plan Committee Co-chairs: Carl Cooper (K-12 supervisor of Social Studies) and Janet Bowes (Town Center principal)

High School South. Crowds laughed as they watched the hilarious madcap romp on stage at HSS; these students truly engaged the audience during the fall performances of "Rumors." The terrific student production crew helped bring the show to life.



Village School.
The Wolf Walk brought together students, staff, and family members to celebrate the charitable work of Village School; almost \$5,000 was raised to help those in need. The year of community service culminated with a Day of Service.

GOAL 3:

Recognizing that children need to balance physical, social, emotional, and academic needs, we will maintain a supportive culture and build structures for the health, safety, and well-being of the Whole Child. Action Plan Committee Co-chairs: Lee McDonald (K-12 director of Guidance) and Lamont Thomas (GMS principal)

TEL SAFE

Tel Safe is an attendance policy adopted by the Board of Education to insure the safe arrival of your child to school each day. If your child is not going to school, you may call the evening before or the morning of any absence or tardiness. In the event the school is not notified, a series of telephone calls will be initiated: to the parents, to the first emergency contact listed, and then to the police who will visit the home if we are unable to make contact by telephone. Call the main number (609-716-5000) and dial the school's extension:

Dutch Neck Elementary School	5410
Maurice Hawk Elementary School	5430
Town Center Elementary School	6510
Wicoff Elementary School	5460
Millstone River School	5510
Village School	5210
Community Middle School	5310
Grover Middle School	5260
High School North	5110
High School South	5063

EMERGENCY MESSAGES

WW-P will post emergency information on the district web site and on the main district telephone number (609-716-5000). You can receive emergency information via your smart phone from Twitter: From your smart phone, send this text "follow WWP_Notices" to 40404. [Do not use quotation marks and there is a space between 'follow' and 'WWP_Notices.']. 2. If you have a Twitter account, follow WWP_Notices.

CHANNEL SURFING

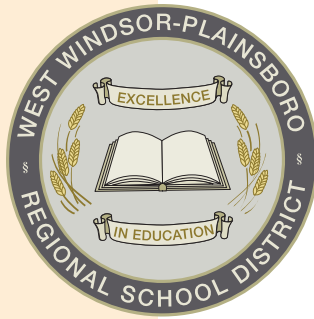
Residents of Plainsboro and West Windsor Townships are served by cable television channels on the Comcast and Verizon networks. Plainsboro residents have two channels: Channel 26 (Comcast) and Channel 26 (Verizon). West Windsor residents have three channels: Channel 27 (Comcast) and Channels 40 and 42 (Verizon). Check out the Bulletin Board for school events and watch for school programs.

VIRTUAL BACKPACK

While not 100 percent green, WW-P is doing its share of not using paper. To accomplish this, we place flyers, program events, and calendar items on the WW-P Virtual Backpack. Items are listed by month under three categories: Community Activities, School Events, and Sports Programs. Link: http://www.ww-p.org/n_e_w_s_r_o_o_m/community_news

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Lamont Thomas, Grover Middle School
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DATED MATERIAL

ECRWSS
RESIDENT CUSTOMER
(Deliver to Residences Only)

REGULAR SCHOOL HOURS

HIGH SCHOOLS

7:40 a.m. to 2:50 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

7:40 a.m. to 2:46 p.m.

GRADES 1-5

8:40 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

KINDERGARTEN

8:40 a.m. to 11:25 a.m. (AM)
12:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. (PM)

KINDERGARTEN EXTENSION

(Dutch Neck Elementary School)
8:25 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (AM)
11:40 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (PM)

KINDERGARTEN SPECIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS FULL-DAY

(Hawk Elementary School,
Town Center Elementary School, and
Wicoff Elementary School)
8:40 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

PRESCHOOL INTEGRATED

(Village School)
8:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. (AM)
12:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. (PM)

PRESCHOOL SPECIAL SERVICES PROGRAM FULL-DAY

(Town Center Elementary School and
Village School)
8:40 a.m. to 2:10 p.m.

PRESCHOOL SPECIAL SERVICES PROGRAM HALF-DAY

(Village School)
8:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. (AM)
12:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. (PM)

FOOD SERVICES

Lunch menus are placed on the district web site and you can review the daily selections with your child. Students can bring lunch or can purchase lunch through our system called "My School Bucks." You need to create an account so that your child's meal will be paid for through a credit card. To start an account or to add money to an existing account, visit this link:
<https://www.myschoolbucks.com/>.

CONFERENCES

During the school year, you are welcome to contact teachers or administrators regarding any specific questions or concerns you might have. WW-P also has parent-teacher conference dates scheduled:

October 16-17 Grades K-5

October 18 Grades K-8

October 20 Grades K-8

January 18-19 Grades K-5

February 5-6 Grades 6-8

April 27 Grades K-5

These are early dismissal dates for those schools hosting conferences.