# **Grover Middle School Weekly Update**

## **PTSA News**

Thank you to the many volunteers who assisted with the GMS Fall Scholastic Bookfair! We were able to raise money towards paying for student assemblies and teacher mini-grants! In addition, students participated in a coin challenge by donating their spare change which was matched by Scholastic's All for Books program and we were able to donate new books to The Christina Seix Academy in Trenton, NJ to help build their new library. Thank you for supporting the school bookfair!

- October Food Drive for the Plainsboro Food Pantry. NON-PERISHABLE DONATIONS NEEDED! We are halfway through the month, please continue to send in food donations. Items can be dropped off in the boxes in the foyer. See the flyer for details.
- ATTENTION WORKING PARENTS! You asked, we answered! EVENING GMS PTSA General Meeting Wednesday, Oct. 30, at 6:30 p.m. in the Theater followed by an update on the referendum GMS construction by Superintendent Aderhold at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome!
- **PTA Reflections Program:** This year's theme is LOOK WITHIN. Participate in "Reflections"- a national PTA program that recognizes student achievement in different art forms. Students who participate have a chance to be recognized at school, county, state, or national level. **The deadline is Nov. 6!** Click here for the application.
- **VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!** Looking to get involved at GMS, please <u>use this signup</u>.
- It's Not Too Late! Sign up for a GMS PTSA membership or just make a donation with Just Write a Check (JWAC) on <u>our website</u> or <u>send in the paper form</u> in an envelope to school with cash or check made payable to GMS PTSA.

**Useful links:** This is your PTSA and we want to hear from you. Reach out to us with questions or comments!

- PTSA Email | Donate Online | PTSA Website | Facebook | Twitter | Amazon Smile
  - 157261 Thomas Grover Middle School PTSA

## Other Events

• CMS/GMS Math Workshop Night - Tuesday, Nov. 12, 7-9 p.m. at CMS. Get information about the Middle School Math Program and the underlying philosophy of the program. You will experience some "Hands-On" activities to demonstrate what Math Class will look like for your child. This event is designed for adults only. Register in advance using this form. If you have questions, please email the Mathematics Supervisor, Andrea Bean, at andrea.bean@ww-p.org

## **SEPTSA**

- SEPTSA is a districtwide PTSA supporting parents, guardians and students who
  receive special education, related services and accommodations for physical,
  emotional and or learning challenges.
- If you have a student with an IEP or a 504 plan and you missed our table at Back To School Night, click <a href="here">here</a> for the membership form.
- SEPTSA's First Parent Workshop is Nov. 14, 7 p.m. at Community Middle School.
  Dr. Teresa Herrero Taylor, Ph.D. BCBA-D, will present on the evaluation referral
  process and assessments (educational, psychological, speech-language)
  conducted by the child study team. Learn more about how testing determines
  special education eligibility and shapes IEP development.

**Useful Links:** WW-P SEPTSA Facebook| WW-P SEPTSA Website

## School News

- Reminder: Schools will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 7 and Friday, Nov. 8.
   View the <u>Academic Calendar</u> to see additional upcoming dates.
- Oct. 25: Halloween Dance TONIGHT 7-9 p.m. for all grades
- Oct. 28: JAGwear orders will be distributed during lunch
- Oct. 28-30: Musical auditions after school in the theater until 5 p.m.
- Oct. 31-Nov. 1: Musical call-backs until 5 p.m.
- Check out the <u>Daily Announcements</u> on our website for dates, club and event announcements, information and more!

#### **Athletics**

• <u>Winter Sports Registration for middle school students</u> through Genesis will be open through 11 p.m. Nov. 4.

• **WW-P United Pink-Out Football Game - Nov. 1**. October is breast cancer awareness month! Come out and support the WW-P United Football Team by wearing pink and black for the last home game at High School North on Friday, Nov. 1 at 7 p.m.! Show your support for breast cancer awareness by wearing pink and black!

## **Around the District News**

- Parents and students (ages 11 and up) are invited to join HSN and Community
  Middle School student organizations HEAL and NuYu, TONIGHT, Oct. 25 at 6
  p.m. at High School North for a one-of-a-kind seminar on mental wellbeing with
  renowned speakers and mental health advocates. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more
  information.
- Join us at the High School North National Honor Society's **Trunk or Treat** 4-6 p.m. Oct. 26 in the HSN stadium parking lot. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information.
- Village and Millstone River Schools are holding a coat drive for a local charity.
   The schools will be accepting clean, gently worn winter jackets and coats as well as NEW hats, scarves, gloves and mittens. Donations can be dropped off Saturday, Oct. 26 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Millstone River School.
- You're invited to the 11th induction ceremony of the WW-P High School South Hall of Honor on Nov. 2! The hall of honor was founded to connect the past to the present and the future; in recognizing those who have brought honor to our school we keep alive the spirit of South. These honorees are an integral part of our history. Check out the website for this year's inductees and to purchase tickets or send a check (for \$25 made out to WWPHSS Hall of Honor) to Cathy Tantum at HSS.

# **District Updates**

• <u>District Website</u> | <u>Academic Calendars</u> | <u>Event Calendar</u>

# **Counseling and Wellness**

Check out the upcoming Parent University Events for the 2019-20 school year.

## **Community Education**

- Winter After School Enrichment is now open for registration. Spaces fill fast, so do not delay! Download the brochure from the district <u>website</u>. Registration closes Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020.
- <u>Check out</u> some exciting Family Fun Nights and Upcoming Adult Program available through Community Education.

- Extended Day Program registration is ongoing throughout the school year! <u>Sign</u> <u>up when you need it.</u>
- Space is still available in the morning and afternoon Kindergarten Extension. Register through <a href="Community Education">Community Education</a> under 2019-20 Extended Day, KE, Pre-K.

# **Community Events**

 Are you looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the community event section on the district's website!

## **Food Services**

 Make sure to download <u>Sodexo's So Happy app!</u> Download the app to view nutritional information, allergens and more. Check out the <u>menus</u> for October!

# **WW-P Board of Education**

• Check out the upcoming <u>Board of Education Meetings</u> and materials.

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

<u>Twitter | Facebook | Instagram | LinkedIn | Youtube</u>