

Jan. 3, 2020

## Millstone River School Weekly Update

### PTA News

- **Jan. 14: PTA General Meeting at 9:30 a.m.** All parents are welcome!
- **Jan. 24: Candy Bar Bingo Family Fun Night!** Join us for one of the most loved nights with your friends and family. Possible winnings include various small prizes and candy. Entry is \$2 per person and will be donated to the charity of your choice. The fun begins at 6:30 p.m.!

**Useful links:** [PTA Facebook](#) | [PTA Website](#) | [Join the PTA](#) | [PTA Twitter](#)

### SEPTSA

- **Jan. 7: Transition to College Talk & Pizza - 6:30 p.m.** High schoolers with IEPs or unclassified issues who are considering a two/four year college are invited to Romeo's Pizza (10 Schalks Crossing, Plainsboro), to eat pizza and discuss navigating higher education with collegians who faced similar challenges.
- **Jan. 30: PTSA Meeting "Understanding How to Improve IEPs and 504s" - 7 p.m.,** at Community Middle School (55 Grovers Mill Rd, Plainsboro). The speaker, Beth Manes, J.D., Special Needs Attorney, will help parents understand how to effectively use IEP documents and evaluations to improve your child's school experience.

Please contact Jennifer Riccards ([jenballen@yahoo.com](mailto:jenballen@yahoo.com)) for questions or to RSVP.

**Links:** [WW-P SEPTSA Facebook](#) | [WW-P SEPTSA Website](#) | [Membership Form](#)

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## School News

### Reminders:

- Check out the [important upcoming dates for January and February](#).
- Grades K-5 will have early dismissals Thursday, Jan. 16 and Friday, Jan. 17 for parent/teacher conferences. Please click [here](#) for scheduled early dismissal details.
- Make sure you are signed up to receive text messages from WW-P Schools? Click [HERE](#) for the district's communication process and make sure your phone numbers and email addresses are up-to-date in Genesis. To sign up to receive additional messages from the townships please follow these links: [Plainsboro Township/Police Alerts](#) | [West Windsor Township/Police Alerts](#)

**Welcome Back Assemblies:** MRS began the return to school for 2020 with grade level assemblies. Millstone Eagles were reminded to stay focused on their goals - learning goals and goals toward kindness. Our goal is to foster a positive environment where all may achieve their personal best.

**Chorus Announcements:** Chorus students have been preparing songs from a variety of cultures in different languages, keys and time signatures. We have been working diligently on finding our unison sound and then challenging our independence through singing in rounds, partner songs and harmony. We are excited to share our music with you in the upcoming concerts!

### **Chorus Concert Schedule:**

- **ALL CONCERTS ARE ON WEDNESDAY, JAN. 8 and take place in the Millstone River Cafeteria**
- 6 p.m.: Grade 3 chorus evening concert call time (Start time is 6:30 p.m.)
- 7:30 p.m.: Grade 4 + 5 chorus evening concert call time (Start time is 8 p.m.)

### **Concert Attire:**

- Should be worn Jan. 8 at assemblies and evenings concerts!

- Grade 3: Class t-shirt and black pants/skirts with black shoes. (Dark colors can be substituted for black.)
- Grades 4 + 5: White shirt and black pants/skirts with black shoes. (Dark colors can be substituted for black.)

### **Evening Concert Logistics:**

- Grade 3: Students meet in the cafeteria at 6 p.m. Parents will form a line in the hallway and will be welcomed into the concert space ten minutes before the concert.
- Grade 4 + 5: Students will meet in the cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. Parents will form a line in the hallway and will be welcomed into the concert space ten minutes before the concert.

As you wait... please be patient as we do not rehearse in the space we perform and need 20 minutes to warm-up our voices.

Parking is limited. Feel free to park at High School North and enter through the front doors. Please avoid blocking any doors, traffic patterns or walking paths.

### **Millstone River School - School Spirit Days**

- Jan. 31: Sports Day (Due to the Super Bowl) - Wear your favorite team jersey, uniform, hat (pro/college/HS/rec).
- Mar. 2-6: Dr. Seuss Day - Door Decorating Contest - (special activities TBA all week). Dress in Dr. Seuss colors, or costume, or hat... be creative and unique!
- Apr. 3: Crazy Hair Day - Wear your hair in the most outrageous or silliest way! Be creative!
- May 1: Buddy Up Twin Day - Get a partner and dress alike! Have fun. Be interesting!

### **Around the District News**

- [WW-P athletes and fans can now find out about game and practice cancellations by calling our athletic hotlines.](#)

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## District Updates

- [District Website](#) | [Academic Calendars](#) | [Event Calendar](#)

## Counseling and Wellness

- **Parent University:** A special Parent University event will be held Thursday, Jan. 16, 7 p.m. at High School North. The topic: Is Video Gaming Addiction Real? will examine the impact of video gaming on children and adolescents. Check out the 2020 dates for our upcoming [Parent University Events](#) or review the previous presentations.

## Community Education

- **Winter After-School Enrichment** is open for registration. **Registration closes Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020.**
- **Extended Day Program** registration is ongoing throughout the school year. [Sign up by clicking here.](#)
- Space is available in the morning and afternoon **Kindergarten Extension!** [Register by clicking here.](#)
- **Upcoming SAT Programs** - Community Education sponsored classes through [Kaplan](#), [Princeton Review](#), and [Lentz & Lentz](#) are offered throughout the school year at High School North and South.

## 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

- Download the [Sodexo's So Happy app](#) to view nutritional information, allergens, [menus](#) and more.

## 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.

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

[Twitter](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [LinkedIn](#) | [Youtube](#)