

Feb. 14, 2020

Wicoff Elementary School Weekly Update

All WW-P schools will be closed Monday, Feb. 17, 2020.

Please note: The next newsletter will be sent on Feb. 28.

PTA News

Do you like the fun programs you are seeing for your child in school? We as the PTA, are proud to be a part of making it happen. We need fresh members for next year's board so please reach out to see how you can be involved.

Upcoming Events:

- **2020 Wicoff Green Science Fair online registration will close on Feb. 23 at 5 p.m.** ** No exceptions for travel or sickness.** We hope you have been thinking about those projects. Participation is open to 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders. Kindergarten students are invited to attend the Green Science Fair on Mar. 7, 2020, to view the exhibits. Green Science Fair projects can be the presentation of an experiment, a demonstration, a research effort, or a display of scientific apparatus. It represents the efforts of a student's investigation into an area of sustainability and how it will positively impact the environment. Please click on the following link to register your child: <https://forms.gle/RuaQRiA1efuSHfzT6>. Contact wicoffptasciencefair@gmail.com for any queries.
- **Box Tops: Collection ends Feb. 25:** Our Box Tops event is ending soon! A Box Tops flyer was sent home this week in your child's folder with details of the program. Please send clipped Box Tops to us in a ziploc bag. Also, keep scanning your receipts in the Box Tops app! In case you missed the flyer, you can also download it [here](#). The app enables parents to easily scan and donate to the Wicoff PTA. The last date to send in Box Tops is Feb. 25.
- **Spring Book Fair: Mar. 2 - 7:** Book fair family hours (held in conjunction with the Science Fair) will be Saturday, Mar. 7 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.). The online book fair will run from Feb. 23 - Mar. 7. The Spring Book Fair is around the corner and we need your help. Parent volunteers are needed to set up the book fair and help during the family event. Most important of all, we need volunteers to help students select books before school and during their library time. **We especially need help during Kindergarten and first grade library times.**

Please sign up via the following link, if you are able to help. VOLUNTEER LINK:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4aada922a2fa7-2020>

- **Online Book Fair:** The online book fair is another way to buy books during the Spring Book Fair and another way to support Wicoff. You may purchase books online and have them delivered to your home. ONLINE LINK:
<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/homepage.do?method=homepage&url=wicoffelementaryschool1>
- **PTA Board Nominations** for next year are going to begin soon. **We are recruiting members to lead the PTA next year!** The Wicoff PTA board is currently comprised of parents of students graduating from Wicoff in June of this year. As you are aware, the PTA is an essential arm of every elementary school. The association is responsible for supplementing the school's mission with meaningful and fun activities for students and their families. We have had some great interactions with many of you who have volunteered throughout the year. If being involved, creative and making connections sounds like you, then we need YOU on the board. Email us for more info!

Useful Links: [Email](#) | [Website](#) | [Facebook](#)

SEPTSA Events & Notices

- Contact Kathleen (Kkz4@verizon.net) for questions. Visit our website www.WWP-SEPTSA.org to become a member and find out more about SEPTSA.
- **Accepting Volunteers for Next Year** – Further to our announcement at last week's meeting, SEPTSA is accepting nominations for those interested to help in an officer capacity until Mar. 1. We welcome offers to help in any capacity throughout the year. For officer nominations, contact Sophie Hanstveit (mjwannabe829@yahoo.com) and for other volunteer inquiries contact Kathleen (Kkz4@verizon.net).
- **Sunday, Feb. 23: "Office Hours"** 4 - 6 p.m., McCaffrey's (upstairs cafe). Come meet other special education parents to talk or get informal advice on your issues! Contact Jennifer Riccards (jenballen@yahoo.com) with questions.
- **Wednesday, Feb. 26: SEPAG meeting**, 7 - 9 p.m., Grover Middle School. The topic is TBD, but will likely be the special education program review that just

began. Contact Jennifer Riccards (jenballen@yahoo.com) with questions or RSVPs.

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

School News

- Feb. 17 - School closed for Presidents' Day
- Feb. 19 – Jump Rope for Heart Kick-Off – American Heart Association
- Feb. 21 – Jammie Day – [Click here for more details.](#)

Reminders:

- Check out the [important upcoming dates in February](#). Reminder, schools will be closed Monday, Feb. 17.
- Click [here](#) for the district's communication process and please make sure your phone numbers and email addresses are up-to-date in Genesis.
- The February 2020 issue of the Wicoff J. Fox newsletter is now [online](#).
- Check out our [Wicoff Twitter account](#) for announcements and upcoming events.

District Updates

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

Athletics

- Check out the [WW-P Athletics monthly newsletter](#) with information on spring sports registration, exciting upcoming competitions, and honors achieved by our student athletes.

Counseling and Wellness

- The next **Parent University** event will be held **Thursday, Feb. 20, 7 p.m. at CMS**. The topic is "Vaping: What Your Kids Don't Want You to Know." A panel of stakeholders will present the risks, challenges and realities of vaping among adolescents within our community. Check out the 2020 dates for our upcoming [Parent University events](#) or review the previous presentations.
- With rising concern over the new coronavirus (2019-nCoV) outbreak that is currently centered in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China, WW-P continues to carefully monitor the situation and heed guidance that has been provided by state and national health organizations. For more information, please click [here](#).

Community Education

- Registration for **Spring After-School Enrichment** is now open. [Spring after-school programs](#) are here and spaces fill fast. Do not delay registration! Registration closes Tuesday, Mar. 24, 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 events section](#) on the district's website!
- In mid-March, homes will begin receiving invitations to complete the [US Census](#). Responses may be submitted online, by phone, or via mail. Results will impact the federal funds our communities and our schools receive.

Food Services

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

WW-P Education Foundation

- [Innovation Fair 2020](#): The Foundation's Youth Committee will hold auditions for **WW-P's Got Talent** at the HS South Playhouse, from Mar. 5 - 7. The district-wide talent show will be held May 16, 2020, and is a fabulous forum for kids to show off their talents. Acts may include individuals, groups and bands and is open to students in grades K-12! [Click here](#) to register to audition.

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](#)