# **Town Center Elementary School Weekly Update**

#### **PTA News**

- Please join us at our next PTA General Meeting Mar. 6, 2020, at 9:30 a.m.
   so your voice can be heard!!
- Don't forget to order your **Gator Gear** so you can look fresh going into the spring and summer rocking your Town Center shirts and sweatshirts! Find the order form here:

http://towncenterpta.my-pta.org/Content/338 1/DocumentStore/2/PTA%20Gat or%20Gear%20Order%20Form,%202019-2020.pdf

Mark your calendars for upcoming TCPTA events:

- Mar. 6: PTA General Meeting (9:30 a.m.)
- Mar. 16 20: Spring Book Fair
- Mar. 25: Wacky Wednesday Crazy Hair Day
- Mar. 27: Coffee with the Counselor (9 a.m.)
- **Apr. 2:** Family Paint Night

**Useful links**: PTA Website | Email | Facebook Page

#### **SEPTSA Events & Notices**

- Contact Kathleen (<u>Kkz4@verizon.net</u>) for questions. Visit our website www.WWP-SEPTSA.org to become a member and find out more about SEPTSA.
- Saturday, Feb. 29 Lego Buddies 10:15 11:15 a.m., West Windsor Library Join our information gathering of elementary students with IEPs or 504s to socialize through Lego play. Please RSVP by Friday, Feb. 28 at 10 p.m. to Kathleen (Kkz4@verizon.net).
- Accepting Volunteers for Next Year Further to our announcement at the last SEPTSA meeting, we are 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

(<u>mjwannabe829@yahoo.com</u>) and for other volunteer inquiries contact Kathleen (<u>Kkz4@verizon.net</u>).

Links: <u>WW-P SEPTSA Facebook</u> | <u>WW-P SEPTSA Website</u> | <u>Membership Form</u>

#### **School News**

# **Science Fair Participants:**

Thank you to all of our fantastic TC Gators who participated in the "Go Green" Science fair on Saturday. The projects and presentations were spectacular! Mrs. Bowes and Dr. Osterbye are very proud of all of our scientists.

# Read Across New Jersey: Mar. 2 - 6:

TC Gators will be celebrating Read Across New Jersey! Students will be participating in a variety of reading activities throughout the week. Start thinking up ideas for **Friday**, **March 6**, "Favorite Character Day." Students and staff can come to school dressed up like one of their favorite book characters.

# Six Flags Read to Succeed Program (A message from Mrs. Brooks for K, 1, 2 students):

Please remember that you need to register your child online at <u>sixflags.com/books</u>, enter your classroom teacher's code (it's on the reading log) and enter his/her six hours once completed. **The deadline to register your child online and enter his/her six hours of reading is Mar. 1, 2020.** The tickets will be sent home in May.

# **Mercer County Education Association (MCEA) Barnes & Noble Book Fairs:**

- Barnes & Noble Hamilton (425 Marketplace Blvd., Hamilton), Sat., Mar. 7 from 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Barnes & Noble Princeton (Market Fair Mall), Sat., Mar. 7 from 10 a.m. 12 p.m.

#### **Bus Safety:**

Please remind your child of the rules required to ride the bus safely. All students need to remain seated and facing forward with the seatbelt secured. School rules apply when riding the bus.

#### **Twitter:**

Make sure to share your photos with us on Twitter using the hashtag <u>#TCGators</u>.

### **Around the District:**

- WW-P presents... spring theater! Click here for additional details and ticket information regarding High School North's Mary Poppins (Feb. 27-29 and Mar. 1), High School South's Guys and Dolls (Mar. 5-7), Grover Middle School's Freaky Friday (Mar. 13-14) and Community Middle School's Dorothy in Wonderland (Mar. 19-21).
- Check out the district <u>academic calendar</u> for important upcoming dates. The 2020-2021 School Year Calendar is posted on the <u>district website</u> as is the 2021-2022 School Year Calendar that was approved by the WW-P Board of Education at the Feb. 25, 2020 meeting.

# **District Updates**

• District Website | Academic Calendars | Event Calendar

#### **Athletics**

• Check out the <u>WW-P Athletics monthly newsletter</u> with information on spring sports registration, exciting upcoming competitions, and honors achieved by our student athletes.

# **Counseling and Wellness**

- **Parent University:** The next Parent University event will be held Thursday, Mar. 26, 7 p.m. at CMS. The topic is "Understanding Child and Adolescent Anxiety." Click here to review this year's previous Parent University presentations.
- With rising concern over the new coronavirus (COVID-19) 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 <a href="here">here</a>.

# **Community Education**

- Registration for Spring After-School Enrichment is now open. <u>Spring</u>
   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**

- The Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office presents <u>"A Parent's Guide to Your Child's Cellphone."</u> A free and informative presentation that aims to educate parents about internet safety and the dangers of certain phone applications. The presentation will be held at the Middlesex County Fire Academy (1001 Fire Academy Dr., Sayreville, NJ 08872), **Wednesday, Mar. 11 at 6 p.m.**
- In mid-March, homes will begin receiving invitations to complete the <u>US</u>
   <u>Census</u>. Responses may be submitted online, by phone, or via mail. Results will impact the federal funds our communities and our schools receive. For more information on why this census is so important for WW-P children, check out the Advocates for Children of New Jersey's <u>Census 2020 NJ</u> website.
- Are you looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the <u>community events section</u> on the district's website!

#### **Food Services**

• Download the <u>Sodexo's So Happy app</u> 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! <u>Click here</u> to register to audition.

#### WW-P Board of Education

• Check out the upcoming <u>Board of Education Meeting</u> 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**