

Feb. 28, 2020

## Wicoff Elementary School Weekly Update

### PTA News

Did you check out the super cute theme for our Spring Book Fair? It's Jungle Book themed and it's next week. Please volunteer during your child's library period if possible. Family book fair hours will also be during the Science Fair on Mar. 7. Please visit!

### Upcoming Events:

**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 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. The online book fair will run from Feb. 23 - Mar. 7. 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>

### **Annual Wicoff Green Science Fair: Mar. 7 \*Registration Closed\***

Grade 2 (select few) and Grade 3: 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Grade 1 and Grade 2: 10:40 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Kindergarten students are welcome to visit.

Please plan to arrive on time for your designated sessions to allow adequate time to check-in and setup your exhibit.

- Wicoff Teachers will visit each exhibit, listen to the participant's presentation and hand out certificates.
- Once your child's exhibit has been presented to the teacher, do take the opportunity to check out exhibits from other participants.

- Refreshments for purchase will be outside the main office. No food or drinks are permitted in the gym.
- Each Green Science Fair participant will be enrolled for a raffle that will be drawn at the close of each session.
- Learn how to recycle crayons with Mrs. Lewis at the "Solar Cooker" sustainability exhibit on using solar energy to recycle crayons. Look for the teachers table at the Science Fair!

**Proskate Family Ice Skating: Mar. 22, 5-7 p.m. \*Forms due by Mar. 12\***

We are excited to be returning with the hugely popular family ice skating event held at Proskate. Check in will begin at 4:45 p.m. The rates will be \$10/child and \$12/adult skaters. The rates include skate rental. Siblings and relatives are welcome. All children must be accompanied by an adult. There is no charge for non-skaters. You will receive the form and waiver next week. Please return both signed in an envelope addressed to **Wicoff PTA Ice Skating** (Please NO ziplock bags or stapled/paperclipped forms with money. We don't want it to be misplaced!) **by Mar. 12, 2020**. No tickets will be distributed, simply check in upon arrival at the ice rink. Proskate is located at 1000 Cornwall Rd, Monmouth Junction, NJ 08852, (732) 940-6400. For more information, contact Padma ([padmavathi253@gmail.com](mailto:padmavathi253@gmail.com)) or Shreya ([shreya5482@gmail.com](mailto:shreya5482@gmail.com)).

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

**SEPTSA Events & Notices**

- Contact Kathleen ([Kkz4@verizon.net](mailto:Kkz4@verizon.net)) for questions. Visit our website [www.WWP-SEPTSA.org](http://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](mailto: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

([mjwannabe829@yahoo.com](mailto:mjwannabe829@yahoo.com)) and for other volunteer inquiries contact Kathleen ([Kkz4@verizon.net](mailto:Kkz4@verizon.net)).

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

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## School News

A BIG THANK YOU to our Wicoff families for helping us raise \$780 for Jammie Day! It was a HUGE success! Our donations will help support the World Wildlife Foundation - Australia!

- [Mar. 2 - Mar. 6 - Read Across New Jersey Week](#)
- Mar. 4 - District Art Show - Plainsboro Recreation Center - 6 p.m.
- Mar. 6 - Third grade field trip to the Princeton Art Museum
- The February 2020 issue of the Wicoff J. Fox newsletter is now [online](#).

Check out our [Wicoff Twitter account](#) for announcements and upcoming events.

## 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 [academic calendar](#) for important upcoming dates. The 2020-2021 School Year Calendar is posted on the [district website](#) as is the 2021-2022 School Year Calendar that was approved by the WW-P Board of Education at the Feb. 25, 2020 meeting.
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## 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

- **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 [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

- The Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office presents "[A Parent's Guide to Your Child's Cellphone.](#)" 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 [US Census](#). 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 [Census 2020 NJ website](#).
- Are you looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the [community events 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 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](#)