Grover Middle School

Oct. 13-14: Due to Parent-Teacher Conferences there will be no PM classes for grades 6-8.

PTSA

- GMS PTSA membership is available on our new website! Join now to participate in Reflections and the annual talent show or make a donation to help support programs such as staff appreciation and teacher mini-grants! (Click on view store)
- General Body Meeting: Next General Body Meeting Oct. 27, 9:30-11:00 a.m.
 Do you have questions for the school but can not find answers? Fill out <u>Ask your</u>
 Question and have your questions answered by Principal Lamont at the general body meeting. For those that can not attend in-person, the meeting will be recorded.
- **Virtual Scholastic Book Fair:** The Scholastic Bookfair is here! Buy your books here. <u>Scholastic Book Fair: Buy Your Books!</u>
- **REFLECTIONS:** Participation is now open for 'Reflections' a National PTA program that recognizes student achievement in different art categories. The theme for 2020-21 is 'I Matter Because...'
 - Students will be recognized at school, council, state and national levels.
 - Entries can be submitted physically or electronically, please refer to the individual art category rules for the submission process (Drop off locations will be updated next week). Deadline to submit all entries is Friday, November 13th.
 - For detailed information & entry form please refer to the PTSA Reflection entry <u>packet</u>. The student or one person from the household must be a current member of the PTSA to participate. Questions/clarifications, please email <u>latikanair99@gmail.com</u>

Have questions? Contact us at groverptsa678@gmail.com

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SEPTSA Links: SEPTSA Facebook Page | SEPTSA Website | Membership Form

School

- <u>Parent/Teacher Conferences for FALL:</u> CONFERENCES ARE ONLY
 <u>TEACHER INITIATED</u>. Teachers will not meet with all parents. If you have any
 questions, please reach out directly to your child's teachers. <u>All conferences</u>
 <u>are held virtually</u>
 - Tuesday, 10/13 from 5:30-8 p.m.
 - Wednesday, 10/14 from 1-3:00 p.m.
 - *Please note: Students will have all of their morning classes from 7:40 a.m.-12:05 p.m. and will NOT have afternoon classes for these 2 days.
- Chamber Orchestra (grades 6 & 7) & Chamber Players (grade 8) practice begins next week!
- Please look for all Grover information under our school page on the District website. Once you click on Grover Middle School, see our hub of information under "2020-2021 School Info" or click here.
- If you're experiencing <u>Chromebook issues</u>, please find the tech ticket request here.
- PLEASE REPORT ALL ABSENCES AND LATE ARRIVALS TO TEL SAFE 609-716-5250 EXT.5260

District: WW-P District Website | Academic Calendars | Events Calendar

Reminders

- The week of Oct. 12 is Hybrid Week 2. Please click here for the Sept./Oct. Hybrid Week Calendar as well as grade level Sample Rotations and Schedules.
- **Health Screening**: Please remember to complete the Daily Health Screening form for your child(ren) on the days they will be in-person. The form is located under the Forms tab in <u>Genesis</u>.
- **Masks:** Please also be advised that neither neck gaiters or valve masks provide appropriate protection and are not permitted for use on school or District grounds. Please use a mask with two or more layers that fits snugly over the nose and face. If a student does not have an appropriate mask, one will be provided by the District upon request.

- **Contact Information**: Is your contact information up-to-date in Genesis? If your email or phone numbers have changed, please make sure to update your information in Genesis. If you would like to opt-in to receive SMS text messages from the District, please text "Yes" to "67587" from a cell phone that is listed with your contact information in Genesis. Text messaging rates may apply. For additional details, please click here.
- **HSN PTSA SPONSORED:** Support the HSN Senior Celebration/Post Prom Committee, Halloween Boos! Surprise your friends and family this Halloween season by "Booing" them throughout the month of October. Cute ghost lawn signs and a bag of goodies from Robinson's Chocolates delivered to their home will bring a smile to their face. Please fill out the Google form and you will be contacted with pricing and available dates:

 https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1wMHikVvBQinkQBL95aE1LwKELLvEcHkEr3V1
 WJf7JRY/edit. Available districtwide.

Athletics

- Athletic Registration: WW-P is waiting for guidance from the Department of Health, The State of NJ and the NJSIAA regarding the winter season. As more information becomes available we will message out to students and families. Should you have any questions, please reach out to Kate Dobinson, Athletic Director, Katharine.Dobinson@ww-p.orq.
- Attendance at Sporting Events: No students will be permitted to attend
 neighboring Colonial Valley Conference (CVC) games to comply with social
 distancing policies and the State Order regarding the number of individuals at
 gatherings. Should you have any questions regarding the attendance policy,
 please reach out to Kate Dobinson, Athletic Director,
 Katharine.Dobinson@ww-p.org.

Counseling and Wellness

- Virtual Parent University on Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2020, at 7 p.m. via Zoom. The topic will be "Coping with COVID: Grief and Trauma" to better understand grief and trauma-informed parenting practices to support students during the pandemic. Jesse Bassett, director of education for Good Grief, a non-profit organization that builds resilience in children, strengthens families, and empowers communities to grow from loss and adversity, will be presenting. To register for the presentation:
 - https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN tJdKvapgTySVr7jl26rN5Q
- To see past Parent University presentations:
 http://www.ww-p.org/departments/Guidance/parent university

Curriculum and Instruction

 Have a question about Google Classroom? Not sure how to use Zoom? Check out these <u>resources for support</u> in the Families and Caregivers Tutorial Helpdesk.
 More tutorials were recently added!

Community Education

- EDP is being offered for kindergarten through 5th-grade students. Morning and afternoon care is available 5 days a week at your child's school. Full-day care is also available for your child's non-in person week. Care is available until 3:45 p.m. or 6:45 p.m.
 - For more information, check out the offerings here: <u>EDP General</u>
 Information
- Registration for Fall Enrichment Session 2 is still available!. All classes are virtual
 and will be held from 3:45-4:45. For more information, check out the fall guide
 here: 2020 Fall Programs.
- Family Fun Fridays are beginning soon! Register your family to take part in different events or crafts such as crochet, yoga, game nights and more! Check out the program guide on page 11 to learn more! To view the fall guide, click here: 2020 Fall Programs.
 - To register for Community Education programs, visit the <u>Community</u>
 <u>Pass Registration Link.</u>

Food Services

- Distribution for WW-P students who currently receive food benefits will now
 occur on a weekly basis. The distribution will be held Mondays at High School
 North from 4-6 p.m. Families who receive benefits will continue to receive emails
 asking for a response regarding participation for the coming week. Completing
 the registration form in the weekly email is required prior to pick up.
- In conjunction with the federal government and the New Jersey Department of Agriculture, a waiver has been issued that allows school-aged children access to nutritious meals. As a participant in the National School Lunch Program, all WW-P students are extended the opportunity to receive free breakfasts and lunches due to the ongoing COVID-19 health emergency. Click here by Oct. 14 for the Oct. 19 distribution.
- Reminder: Registration for the Oct. 12 distribution has closed. If you registered to receive the Oct. 12 meal kit pickup, it will be held from 4 -6 p.m. at High School North.
- To view this month's menus, please click <u>here</u>.

Technology

• WW-P students who need to request a device or with Chromebooks/iPads that are damaged or in need of repair should complete this <u>Google form</u> (students must log in to their Google account to access the form) and then come to High School North on Tuesday or Thursday from 12:45 - 3:15 p.m.

District Communication

• WW-P uses SchoolMessenger as our <u>district communication tool</u>. It is important to ensure that your contact information is up-to-date in Genesis.

Virtual Community Events

 Click <u>here</u> for upcoming virtual events and activities from community groups and organizations.

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.

Follow the district on WW-P's official social media pages.

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