Wicoff Elementary School

Oct. 13-16: Elementary School Parent/Teacher Conferences - Elementary students will have shortened classes and complete periods 1 - 8 prior to the 1 p.m. dismissal time. PM kindergarten will begin at 10:30 a.m. and conclude at 1 p.m. Full-Day Preschool Programs will dismiss at 1 p.m.

PTA

Virtual Drama Workshop:

TODAY, **Friday**, **Oct. 9 at 7 p.m.** is the PTA's first virtual live event for the kids. Wicoff PTA is happy to collaborate with **Stage a Story** for an autumn-themed creative drama workshop! Let your kid's imagination fly! The event is open to all Wicoff students.

Click on the Zoom Meeting link to participate:

https://zoom.us/j/93106372636?pwd=T0w0UmdxYVVNZ1pEYXcwNk9qQ3p6QT09#success

Meeting ID: 931 0637 2636

Passcode: 019866

Annual Bingo Night:

Our annual BINGO night is going virtual this year. Our wonderful teachers will be calling the BINGO numbers, while you play from home. The whole family is invited to play along. Prizes will be delivered to the BINGO winners. You MUST REGISTER to receive the BINGO cards and Zoom login info.

- Oct. 14, from 7 8 p.m.: Kindergarten & 1st Grade (Registration closes Oct. 12) Click on the registration form below:
 https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfm6IKu9 Aai-cyTsuDOBUTNoER0B
 -G3BINZ6caxeWqhdIhhg/viewform
- Oct. 22, from 7 8 p.m.: 2nd & 3rd Grade (Registration closes Oct. 19) Click on the registration form below:
 https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSefazrHn98WauWHNhMjxBbz53Ynm
 2fR7bq-V1wnfnskVkIGQA/viewform

This event is OPEN TO PTA MEMBERS ONLY, so please make sure to join the PTA <u>here</u>. Our teachers are super excited to play BINGO with their students and families. And we hope you are too!

Fall Book Fair:

SAVE THE DATE - Oct. 16 - 29

Enjoy a selection of over 6,000 books, with all orders shipped to your home, including FREE shipping on book-only orders over \$25. All purchases will benefit the Wicoff Media Center & Wicoff PTA. More details to come in your child's Media lesson or visit the Wicoff PTA website for more information, click here.

For query email us at wicoff.ptainfo@gmail.com.

Visit us at www.wicoffpta.org

Useful PTA Links: <u>Facebook</u> | <u>Instagram</u> | Wicoff's Twitter

SEPTSA Links: <u>SEPTSA Facebook Page</u> | <u>SEPTSA Website</u> | <u>Membership Form</u>

School

Student Supply Pick-Up: Thank you for a successful supply pick-up. We are confident that you will find the materials to be helpful in assisting your child as they engage and comprehend new concepts. If you were unable to pick-up your child's supplies this week, please email our main office secretary, Ms. Lisa Recchia, Lisa.Recchia@ww-p.org to make arrangements to pick-up supplies the week of October 12th at Town Center Elementary School. We appreciate your patience as we coordinate a pick-up date and time.

<u>Parent-Teacher Conference:</u> Parent-Teacher Conferences are set for Tuesday, Oct. 13, - Friday, Oct. 16. Evening conferences are scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 15. Students will participate in shortened classes and complete periods 1 - 8 prior to the 1 p.m. dismissal time. Afternoon kindergarten will begin at 10:30 a.m. and conclude at 1 p.m. Please look for conference information from your child's teacher.

<u>Wicoff PTA:</u> Your help and support is needed! PTA membership is down this school year. Our school benefits from a supportive PTA. We appreciate all they do for our students, staff and parents. <u>If you have not already joined the PTA, please consider joining. We would love to see 100% participation!</u>

<u>School Newsletter:</u> Check out the <u>October 2020 issue</u> of the Wicoff J. Fox newsletter.

<u>"Choose Kind" School Theme:</u> Wicoff's "Choose Kind" theme will continue throughout the year. Staff and students are encouraged to wear KIND shirts on Fridays.

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 12: Silly Sock & Shoe Day for "Stomping Out Bullying"

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 Genesis.
- 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

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_tJdKvapqTySVr7jl26rN5Q

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> <u>Information</u>
- 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>
 Pass Registration Link.

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 for more information. Please register 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 here.

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