

June 11, 2021

## Wicoff Elementary School

### IMPORTANT:

- **Effective June 22, 2021**, WW-P Board of Education meetings will be held in person at Grover Middle School (10 Southfield Rd., West Windsor). These meetings will also be live-streamed via the District's [YouTube Channel](#). During the meeting, public comments will be accepted in person only. For more information and the health and safety precautions for the June 22 and future Board of Education meetings, please click [here](#).
- The last day for the **Technology Help Desk** located at High School South is Tuesday, June 15. Details regarding Chromebook collection for grades pre-K, K-3, 9-12 were sent earlier this week and may also be viewed by [clicking here](#). New Chromebooks will be issued to these grade levels when they return to school in the fall. If a student is in need of a Chromebook during the summer in order to participate in District-run instructional activities, a request for a device must be made using this [Google form](#) (students must log in to their Google account to access the form).
- **June 18 is the last day of school**. The June 18 newsletter will be the last newsletter for the 2020-21 school year. You will continue to receive updates and information regarding the 2021-22 school year from your school and the district throughout the summer.

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### PTA

#### **Don't miss out on the last PTA General Meeting of the 2020-21 school year!**

Please take the opportunity to join the Wicoff family and the chance to voice your opinion and be heard. In addition to the PTA president and treasurer reports, we will also elect the new executive board for the 2021-22 school year. Wicoff PTA's nomination committee has received nominations for President, Treasurer, Secretary, one additional VP board positions for the next school year. For those interested, in the additional VP position, please email [wicoffpta.nomination@gmail.com](mailto:wicoffpta.nomination@gmail.com)

- **When:** Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at 7 p.m.
- **Who:** All PTA members are invited.
- **Where:** From the comfort of your home
- **How:** Zoom link for the meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/95942788723?pwd=VitaaFRueFZPT0RNMGV2M2JJeG00dz09>

Meeting ID: 959 4278 8723

Passcode: 508121

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**June 15, 10 a.m. - Meet the Millstone River School Principals:** Have questions about transition from *2nd/3rd grade* to *3rd/4th grade* in Millstone River Elementary school? MRS PTA is happy to host an informal meet and greet with our principals for **incoming parents**. Please register [here](#) to attend the meeting (*please include your email id when you register, so you can receive the zoom link*). The zoom link will be sent out to the registrants the morning of the meeting.

**Amazon Smile:** Please take a moment to link your Amazon account to Amazon Smile. Select "33626 job wicoff elem school" as your charity under Amazon Smile. Click <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3447652>. This will be at no cost to you! Amazon in turn donates 0.5% of your purchase to the Wicoff PTA. Every dollar counts! And every good deed counts!

**Questions?** Email us at [wicoff.ptainfo@gmail.com](mailto:wicoff.ptainfo@gmail.com).

**Useful PTA Links:** [PTA Website](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Wicoff's Twitter](#)

## SEPTSA

- **WW-P Special Education Parent Teacher Student Association (SEPTSA):** WW-P SEPTSA exists to support students and families of students with IEPs and 504 plans. Please join SEPTSA to be added to our mailing list and be sure to hear about upcoming events and speakers! Membership is open to all parents and families, older students (6th grade and above), and faculty and staff who support students with special needs. Please click [here](#) for more information.

- **WW-P Special Education Parent Advisory Group (S.E.P.A.G.):** To support parents of students with an IEP or 504 plan, and to provide input to the district on special education issues, the WW-P SEPAG meets regularly throughout the school year. Additionally, SEPTSA/SEPAG hosts monthly virtual "office hours" for informal conversation and advice regarding issues around IEPs/504 plans.
- **AmazonSmile SEPTSA Fundraiser:** \*REMEMBER YOU MUST LOG INTO SMILEAMAZON.COM FOR THE DONATION TO REGISTER\* Choose #2681149 "Wwp Special ED PTSA." SEPTSA will receive a donation from Amazon amounting to .50% of every order as long as you've designated SEPTSA as your charity of choice and shop through Amazon Smile.
- **WhatsApp group for WW-P Special Education families:** If you would like to connect with other WW-P families of special education students via WhatsApp, please complete this form and we will add you when the group is started -- [Connect with WWP special ed parents](#).

**Links:** [SEPTSA Facebook Page](#) | [SEPTSA Website](#) | [Membership Form](#)

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## School

**Water Filling Stations:** Please note that our water fountains are still not available for drinking. However, the water bottle filling portion of the fountains are available if students need to refill their water bottles.

**School Visitation:** Plans are being made to invite students and parents for a Wicoff School tour/visit in late August. This will be a chance for our Wicoff families to re-acclimate to the building. Sign-ups for a date/time slot will be sent over the summer.

**In-Person Request to Change Learning Model to Virtual:** If your child needs to be virtual on one of their "in-person" days, please be sure to put your request in writing to the building administration ([Michael.Welborn@ww-p.org](mailto:Michael.Welborn@ww-p.org) and [Lindsay.Jablonski@ww-p.org](mailto:Lindsay.Jablonski@ww-p.org)) at least 24-hours in advance. It is important that the classroom teachers have notice, so they may plan accordingly. Please DO NOT log-on without administrator approval. Also, if your child is not feeling well it is fine to report your child sick in Genesis. They do not need to be virtual. Thank you for your support and understanding!

**Site-Based Council:** We are looking for volunteers to join our site-based council to discuss various school topics. The council is made up of teachers, administrators and

parents. Your input is important to us. If interested, please email assistant principal, Mrs. Lindsay Jablonski at [Lindsay.Jablonski@ww-p.org](mailto:Lindsay.Jablonski@ww-p.org).

**Health and Safety:** Please remember to submit the Daily Health Screening form each day for your child(ren) on the days they will be attending school in-person.

**Reminder: Screen-Free Afternoons:** Here are some ideas for [Screen Free Activities](#). The last Screen-Free Afternoon will be June 16.

**Technology Help Center:** The Technology Help Center is located at High School South at 346 Clarksville Rd., West Windsor (please use the Penn Lyle Road entrance). The Help Center operates out of the entrance to the new theatre. Parents should pull up to the theatre entrance and wait in their car to be greeted by a member of the technology staff. The hours of operation are 12:45 - 3:15 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. WW-P students who need to request a device or with Chromebooks/iPads that are damaged or in need of repair should complete this [Google form](#) (students must log in to their Google account to access the form) prior to arriving at the Technology Help Center. Please note the final day for the Help Center for this school year is June 15. If you need assistance during the summer, please complete the repair form and a staff member will contact you.

**TCRWP Instructional Support for Families:** Please see the resources listed below for supporting your child in virtual learning focusing on the areas of literacy (reading, writing, spelling and more). WW-P School District has had a long-standing partnership with Teachers College Reading and Writing Project (TCRWP). TCRWP has compiled a variety of resources for families to support student learning in the varied environments this year. Please visit this link to consider resources you may find helpful: [TCRWP Resources for Families](#)

**Wicoff PTA:** Your help and support is needed! It is never too late to join. The PTA has offered some really fun and exciting events for the students already and will continue to offer more as this school year continues. Our school benefits from a supportive PTA. We appreciate all they do for our students, staff and parents. If you have not already joined the PTA, we urge you to join by clicking on the link below. We are hoping for 100 percent participation. [Wicoff PTA Membership](#)

**“Choose Kind” School Theme:** Wicoff’s “Choose Kind” theme will continue throughout the year. Staff and students are encouraged to wear KIND shirts or Wicoff shirts on Fridays.

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**District:** [WW-P District Website](#) | [Academic Calendars](#) | [Events Calendar](#)

## Reminders

- **Hybrid Week Calendar:** Please click [here](#) for the June Hybrid Week Calendar as well as grade level sample rotations and schedules. The week of June 14 will have Hybrid Week 2 and All-In students in person.
- **Screen-Free Afternoons:** Screen-Free Afternoons will continue for the remainder of the school year. Screen-Free Afternoons in June will be held on Wednesdays. Click [here](#) for upcoming dates as well as each school’s morning schedule on Screen-Free Afternoons.
- **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](#). The form should be completed by 7:15 a.m. for middle and high school students and 8:15 a.m. for elementary school students.
- **Masks/Water:** Please 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. Students attending in-person instruction should bring a pre-filled water bottle with them to school.
- **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](#).

## Health and Safety

- Click [here](#) to read the Health and Safety Update that was sent from Dr. Aderhold Friday, June 4.

## Counseling and Wellness

- To view the 2020-21 Parent University presentations, click [here](#).

## Curriculum and Instruction

- Have a question about Google Classroom? Not sure how to use Zoom? Check out these [resources for support](#) in the Families and Caregivers Tutorial Helpdesk.

## Community Education

- **In-Person CE Summer Care Open for Registration:** Community Education is offering in-person summer childcare for WW-P students in grades K-5, from 7 a.m.- 6 p.m. July 6 - Aug. 6. Check out the informational flyer [here](#).
- **Virtual Summer Programs**
  - Community Education is offering hundreds of virtual summer program options. Check out summer programs in the [Virtual Summer Guide](#).
  - Community Education has also added virtual preschool summer programs to the line-up! Students as young as 2-years-old and as old as 6-years-old may sign up for virtual summer preschool programs. Check out the [Virtual Preschool Summer Guide](#).
- **Kindergarten Care:** Register now for the Kindergarten Care waitlist! As of Tuesday, June 1, families are able to register incoming kindergarteners for a space in Community Education's Kindergarten Care program, at a location or locations to be determined. Register your child for the opposite of their kindergarten schedule. There is no cost to register for the waitlist. When spaces become available, Community Education will notify you by phone and email.
- **2021-2022 Extended Day Program:** EDP registration for the 2021-22 school year will open at 9 a.m. Monday, June 21. Morning and afternoon care will be provided at all elementary schools. Afternoon care is provided at both middle schools. Registration will be limited at each school site to adhere to social distancing requirements.
  - Returning families- be sure to update your child's school and grade to reflect the 2020-21 school year in Community Pass.
  - All Community Education programs are contingent on staffing, ensuring the health and safety of all students, and staff, as well as the ability for the District to remain open by Executive Order.

- **Registering for Community Education Programs:** Set up your Community Pass account [here](#). When registering, look for the 2021-22 Integrated Preschool, Kindergarten Care, Summer Care, and Extended Day Program heading.

## Food Services

- Distribution for WW-P students who currently receive food benefits will occur on a **weekly basis**. Distribution will be held Mondays (unless otherwise noted due to the school calendar) at High School North from 3-6 p.m. **Please note: Effective June 21, 2021, summer distribution hours will be 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Mondays from High School North.** 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 12 p.m. June 16, for the Monday, June 21, distribution. **Please note: Effective June 21, 2021, summer distribution hours will be 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Mondays from High School North.**
- Reminder: Registration for the Monday, June 14, distribution has closed. If you registered to receive the June 14 meal kit pickup, it will be held from 3-6 p.m. at High School North. **For pickup, please have students' names on a piece of paper in BOLD letters and please wear a mask to keep volunteers safe during the check-in process.**
- To view this month's menus, please click [here](#).

## Technology

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### **District Communication**

- WW-P uses SchoolMessenger as our [district communication tool](#). It is important to ensure that your contact information is up-to-date in Genesis.

### **WW-P Education Foundation**

- **WW-P's Got Talent Virtual Talent Show** has been postponed to June 12, 2021, from 2-4:30 p.m. Admission is free and virtual. Please [click here](#) for more information.

### **Community Events**

- **STARTALK** - The West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District in collaboration with the National Foreign Language Center at the University of Maryland offers a virtual STARTALK student program for Hindi and Urdu. Virtual classes will be offered to rising 3rd- through 5th-grade students, heritage and non-heritage learners. No prior knowledge of the language is required. The program will be held virtually Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. from July 5 through July 31, 2021, (plus four Saturdays, 9 – 11:30 a.m.). Students that are enrolled in the summer language program will have access to the free 12 post-program classes starting Sept. 18, 2021. For more information and to register, [click here](#). Registration has been extended to June 15 and there are only a few spots left.
- Click [here](#) for upcoming virtual events and activities from community groups and organizations.

### **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.
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