

WMS Indians Bleacher Report

January 2017

Teamwork

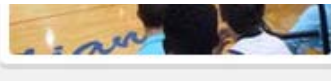
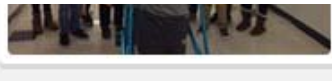
Thanks to our Wentzville Middle School PTA and to our Families for your wonderful dessert spread and various coffees for our staff right before the winter break! It was all so delicious and we appreciate your time, effort and thoughtfulness!

Congratulations to both our boys and girls basketball teams on their undefeated regular season! We'll be cheering you on during the Troy Invitational! Go WMS Indians!! We love you deep, deep down in our hearts!!!

Big Congratulations to our students awarded January Indian of the Month:

Brody Balcom
Makayla Markus
Molly Hunn
Lucas Bailey
Aidan Reed
Debra Witte
Sydney Cowan
Isabelle Boyce
Robert Gilbert
Zachary Bryan
Katarina Dudkowski
Rebekah Clote
Braeden Kempfer
Kelsey Dutton
Connor Seibert
Daisan Day





Letter From The Principal

Welcome back to the second semester of the school year. By now you have received your child's report card. Hopefully you have found the time to have a family discussion about where they finished in regards to academics, attendance and behavior. Take a moment and compare this to the goals that you set together previously for this school year. Did they meet expectations? Fall short? Exceed? Where do they want to be at the end of the third quarter and at the end of the school year? What are they going to do to ensure they reach the target? We all want the same thing- for your child to be successful.

Another important thing that happens in the second semester is standardized testing: Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) and End of Course Exams (EOC). Once again this year all of this testing will take place online. Due to the fact that tests need to be taken with computers, the testing window will stretch from Tuesday, April 4 until Wednesday, May 17. Please do your best to avoid scheduling vacations, doctor, dentist, orthodontic or any other appointments during the school day for this time frame. As the dates get closer, I will be able to give more specific windows for individual grade level tests.

The Wentzville School District is now providing Wi-Fi that students, parents and guests can access from their own devices. To connect, simply choose the WSD-Guest Wi-Fi by selecting it and connecting. No password is required. The content filters are similar to those provided when students log on to a District computer. This means that students are unable to access many of their social media applications when on our Wi-Fi.

As on time regular attendance is often equated with school success, I would like to thank you for your continued support in ensuring that your child attends school on time on a regular basis. Since returning from break we have had attendance percentages lower than they were at the end of last semester and are hoping to return to our good habits. Please remember that our hope is for all students to "Strive for less than five".

Please continue to contact teachers, counselors, and administrators with concerns, problems, or celebrations. We truly appreciate your input and look forward to a successful second semester.

Dr. Mantz

PTA NEWS

PTA SOCIAL EVENT:

Ice Skating at The Meadows

January 22, 2017

6:00-8:00pm

\$12 includes skating time, skate rental, hot cocoa and a cookie

Please look for more info via daily announcement emails from WMS and Peach Jar.

Tickets must be purchased during lunch hours at school on Jan 18th, 19th and 20th. Tickets cannot be purchased at the door. A bracelet will be required for admittance.

Thank you to all of our wonderful families who provided items for the Cookies and Coffee for

Teachers Event!

Next PTA Meeting: January 19th at 4:30 in the WMS Library

Communications Committee:

Be sure to check out the website for our meeting minutes under the Meeting tab.

<http://wentzvillemiddlepta.weebly.com>

Remember to like us on Facebook Wentzville Middle PTA, follow us on Twitter and Instagram @WMSPTA.

WSD Inclement Weather/School Closing Information

Timely communication with our District families is always a priority, but especially important in emergency school closing situations. If WSD schools are forced to close due to inclement weather or other factors (i.e. power outages, water main breaks) parents/guardians and students will be notified in the following ways:

District Phone Call/Text/Email

The Wentzville School District utilizes Blackboard, a mass communication broadcast system that allows school administrators to notify all households by phone, text and email within minutes of an emergency or unplanned event that causes early dismissal or school cancellation. The service may also be used occasionally by individual schools to communicate general announcements or reminders. Please be sure to notify the school office about any change in your personal contact information. You always have the option of how you would like to receive notifications (you can turn off the call and only receive texts and/or emails for example). Simply contact the Community Relations office to change your delivery preferences by calling 636/327-3800, ext. 20357 or email kathleendelaquil@wsdr4.org.

TV/Radio

When inclement weather causes the District to cancel school or dismiss classes early, please check the following television and radio stations for school closing information.

[KTVI - TV Channel 2 KMOX Radio 1120 AM](#)

[KMOV - TV Channel 4 KWRE Radio 730 AM](#)

[KSDK - TV Channel 5 KFAV Radio 99.9 FM](#)

These TV and radio stations also have web sites with the same school closing information.

Look for the [Wentzville R-IV School District](#). Please be advised that individual schools will not be listed separately, closings will always be listed as the [Wentzville R-IV School District](#).

Website

The [District website](#) will be updated with any emergency school closing information. Please check on the homepage.

Facebook and Twitter

The WSD has its own [Facebook page](#) (Wentzville School District) be sure to "like" us! It's a great way to keep up to date with the latest happenings in the District, complete with pictures. You can also follow the District on Twitter, just search for [WSDInfo](#). Both social media sites will be used not only to keep community members informed about the latest news in the District, but in the event of a school closing or emergency, this will be yet another means of communicating quickly and efficiently.

WSD App Push Notification

New this year, the WSD has an app you can download and choose to follow your child's school. The app will be an additional notification tool used in the event of a school closing or emergency to send followers a push notification directly to your phone. You can download the WSD app from [iTunes](#) or [Google Play](#).

Volunteers

Whether you have been with us for years, or are new to volunteering in our schools, all volunteers are required annually (for each new school year) to submit to a background check that includes child abuse and neglect screenings as well as a check of the national sex offender registry to continue volunteering in our schools.

These services are now offered free of charge, but do take at least one week for the school personnel to process the request. All you have to do is fill out form A and B, and turn them in at the school office. Forms can be found on our school website.

UPCOMING DATES

January 16, **NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King's Birthday**

January 17, **NO SCHOOL - Teacher PD Day**

January 18, Girls Who Code 2:30 PM

January 19, PTA Meeting, Library 4:30 PM
WMS Papa John's Night

January 22, PTA Ice Skating Event 6PM - 8PM

January 23, Girls Who Code 2:30 PM
Writing Club 2:30 PM

January 24, Indian of the Month Breakfast

January 25, Girls Who Code 2:30 PM

January 26, STUCO Meeting 2:30 PM

January 30, Girls Who Code 2:30 PM
Writing Club 2:30 PM

February 1, Girls Who Code 2:30 PM
S.T.E.M. NIGHT 5:00 PM
SCIENCE FAIR VIEWING 5:00 PM

February 6, **LATE START**
Girls Who Code 2:30 PM
Writing Club 2:30 PM

February 7, NJHS Meeting 2:30 PM

February 8, Girls Who Code 2:30 PM

February 9, STUCO Meeting 2:30 PM
WORLDS COLLIDE BASKETBALL GAME 4:00 PM

February 10, STUCO Movie Night

February 13, Girls Who Code 2:30 PM
Writing Club 2:30 PM
STEM Club 2:30 PM

February 15, Girls Who Code 2:30 PM

February 16, **WMS PAPA JOHNS NIGHT!**
PTA Meeting 7:00 PM

February 20, **NO SCHOOL PRESIDENT'S DAY**

February 21, **NO SCHOOL - TEACHER PD DAY**

February 23, STUCO Meeting

February 27, Girls Who Code 2:30 PM
Writing Club 2:30 PM
STEM Club 2:30 PM

February 28, Indian of the Month Breakfast

Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

Wentzville R-IV School District Values

Learning - Equipping students, staff and community to apply skills and knowledge necessary to excel in a changing world.

Community - Respecting the stakeholders' perspectives with honesty and transparency as we create a world class educational system.

Excellence - Fostering a culture which supports the highest level of individual success.

Integrity - Dedicating ourselves to making courageous decisions and providing resources for the continuous improvement of the Wentzville School District

Our vision for Wentzville Middle School is for all students to be successful independent thinkers who are confident and intrinsically motivated for success.

Our learning community will work collaboratively to create a safe, welcoming, and connected learning environment that both nurture and challenge students to excel academically.

SCHOOL HOURS 7:30 A.M.— 2:30 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS 7:00 A.M.—3:30 P. M.

LUNCH SCHEDULE

8C, 8H and 8S 10:15 A.M.-10:40 A.M.

7B and 8P 10:50 A.M.-11:15 A.M.

6F and 6W 11:20 A.M.-11:45 A.M.

6E, 6S and 7S 11:55 A.M.-12:20 P.M.

7G and 7D 12:24 P.M.-12:50 P.M.



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