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May 2021

School Office

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
***All dates are subject to change. Check daily announcements online for current information.					Cathy Finley, Principal Patrick Brûlé, Asst. Principal	
2	3B ART WEEK Black out	4A ART WEEK Warm Colors - red, orange, yellow	5B ART WEEK Express Yourself - Patterns Track @ Byron, 4:15	5A ART WEEK Cool Colors - blue, purple, green	7B ART WEEK Rainbow Track @ Harlem, 4:15	8
9	10A Track @ Oregon, 4:00	11B	12A	13B Track @ H, 4:00	14A	15 Track @ H, 9:00 WMS Choir Concert, 3pm
16	17B Track @ SV, 4:00	18A Library Closes - all books due	19B All 8 th grade fines due by 3:00 to office Track @ Forreston, 4:00	20A 8 th Grade Promotion, 10am Track @ H, 4:00	21B	22
23	24A	25B	26A	27B All 6 th and 7 th grade fines due by 3:00 to office	28A Last Day of Student Attendance	29

IAR and the IL Science Assessment

We have completed IAR testing for all grade levels with the exception of makeup testing for students who have been absent. Makeup testing will start on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

Our 8th grade students will be completing the IL Science Assessment during their Science classes from May 3 through May 10 during their regularly scheduled Science class period.

Art Week Dress Up Days - May 3-7th

Monday, 5/3 - Black out

Tuesday, 5/4 - Art Warms the Heart - Warm colors: red, orange, yellow

Wednesday, 5/5 - Express Yourself - Patterns

Thursday, 5/6 - Art is Cool - Cool colors: blue, purple, green

Friday, 5/7 - You are a Rainbow of Possibilities - rainbow

Dress code applies

Science Olympiad

The Winnebago Science Olympiad team just wrapped up a very successful and unique season. Last year, the team was one week away from the Regional Competition in late March when the event had to be cancelled. With some creative modifications, the team spent this school year preparing once again to compete in their events even with the uncertainty of how and where the competition would occur. In March, the team competed virtually in the Regional Competition and earned medals in 16 out of 23 events (1st-4th Place). Every team member earned at least one medal! The team earned 4th place overall.

This excellent performance qualified the team to participate in the State Competition in April. Any other year, this would mean going to the University of Illinois to compete against the best performing schools. Once again, where there is a will, there is a way! The team participated virtually at the middle school earning 11 medals!

Congratulations to everyone on the Science Olympiad team for their hard work, perseverance, and success at the Regional and State level!



8th Grade Fees and Fines

All 8th grade fines and fees must be paid to the office by Wednesday, May 19 at 3:00pm for them to be able to attend Promotion activities on Thursday, May 20th. This would include all unpaid school registration fees, band fines, library fines and instructional material fines, such as classroom books.

8th Grade Promotion

The end of the school year is fast approaching, and with it comes 8th grade promotion. The date for promotion is Thursday, May 20. The ceremony will begin at 10:00 am in the high school football stadium. Each student will be allowed to invite four guests to the ceremony and a ticket system will be used. Parking will be limited near the stadium. The event will also be streamed live on Facebook on the WMS Info Page. In the event of inclement weather, a smaller program will be held in the middle school building with no guests in attendance. The event will still be streamed live.

Students are asked to arrive at school as they would on a normal school day. If your child is a remote learner and would like to participate please have them arrive by 9:15 am. Students are expected to dress in "business casual" attire. Examples of "business casual" attire are: slacks

with a shirt or sweater, a dress, a skirt with a blouse or sweater. Keep in mind this is not a "formal occasion"; suit coats and ties are very nice but not required. Please follow all WMS dress code expectations. **Only those who are in compliance with the dress code will be allowed to participate.**

Following the program, at approximately 11:00 am, there will be a pizza party for the students who participate in the ceremony. Pop and pizza will be provided. After the party, the newly promoted 8th graders will be dismissed from school. This will be their last day of attendance. A permission slip was sent home with 8th graders to allow your child to be released early. Any student that does not have a signed permission slip will be required to stay at school for the remainder of the school day.

Please understand your child's promotion status will not be finalized until May 18. Tickets will be sent home on May 18.

Students who are not promoted are expected to attend all remaining scheduled school days.

6th and 7th Grade Fees and Fines

All 6th and 7th grade fines and fees must be paid to the office by Thursday, May 27 at 3:00pm. This would include all unpaid school registration fees, band fines, library fines and instructional material fines, such as classroom books.

Athletics

Track starts April 28th. If you are interested in participating in Track & Field, it's open to all 6th, 7th and 8th grade students from Winnebago Middle School. Please log on to the school website, click on "school" and select the middle school. To the left of Mrs. Finley's picture, you will see "WMS athletics/activities". Once in that site, click on registration.

Athletes must have a current sport physical and all WMS Instructional fees paid prior to any practices or events. If you have questions or need assistance with the registration, please contact the Athletic Department at 815-335-2336.

If you are interested in purchasing Track & Field apparel, you can log on to t-topshop.com, click on "shop now" and look for "Winnebago Track

& Field 2021". Orders are due by April 30th. You don't have to run to look cool!

Academic Team

Members from our Middle School Academic team will be competing in the Bergstrom Stateline Quiz Bowl Junior Edition. They will be recording the show starting on Saturday, May 1st. Be sure to watch their televised competition on May 29th and May 30th.

Online Registration for 2021-2022

The Winnebago School District is using Online Registration again for the 2021-2022 school year. Online Registration will open July 6, 2021. Parents of existing students will be asked to provide enrollment information via an online portal. Additional details will be provided as we get closer to that date, along with times to receive tech help, as needed. Remember, if you have any outstanding fees you will not be able to register your child for the 2021-2022 school year.