



WMMS Wildcat News

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What's Happening....

January 19	Rising 9th Grade Info Session
January 25	End of Semester Teacher Workday
February 3	Career Day
February 3	Early Release Day

WCPSS Calendar Preferences Survey is Online!

The Wake County Board of Education is seeking comments from citizens on the role of year-round schools in the school system and the optimum distribution of year-round schools.

To take the online survey, visit <http://www.wcpss.net/> and click on the appropriate link for parent or citizen without children. Examples of questions:

- How satisfied are you with this child's school, without regard to the school calendar?
- How satisfied are you with your experience so far with the calendar for this school?
- How satisfied were you with this child's school assignment at the time he/she was placed at this school?
- How satisfied were you with this child's school calendar at the time he/she was placed at this school?
- Between these two types of calendars (year round or traditional), which do you prefer for this child?
- Would you still prefer the type of calendar you chose in question #6 for this child if convenient bus transportation could not be guaranteed?
- Would you still prefer the type of calendar you chose in question #6 if this child had a sibling assigned to a different track or to a school with a different type of calendar?

- Please indicate whether you would still prefer the type of calendar you chose in question #6 if the nearest school with this calendar was each of the following distances from your home.

If you are a parent, you must have your child's NCWISE number to take the survey. NCWISE numbers will be distributed in a letter sent home, or you may obtain the ID number from SPAN.

I urge all parents and teachers to take the survey! I have already done so - it took me less than three minutes and was very easy to do. This survey will only be active until January 25th.

If you have any questions, contact me at Koscielniak@nc.rr.com or 878-9084 - Leslie Koscielniak, WMMS District 3 Board Advisory Council parent representative.

Rising 9th Grader Parent Night is January 19

We will have a rising 9th grade parent information night on January 19th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Media Center. We will go over graduation requirements, how to register your students, and what's new for 2010. Call Ms. Hronsky with questions 870-4059.

Millbrook High School Info Fair is February 2

Millbrook High School is having a magnet curriculum fair on February 2nd, 2010 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Learn all about courses, electives, requirements, and graduation requirements. Call Millbrook High at 850-8807, or Ms. Hronsky at 870-4059 for more information.

Attention Athletes: Interest Meetings Scheduled!

There will be interest meetings during January and February for the following spring sports:

- Wednesday, January 27th: Girls Track will meet in the Mat Room at 7:50 a.m.
- Thursday, January 28th: Boys Track will meet in the Mat Room at 7:50 a.m.

- Tuesday, February 2nd: Girls Softball will meet in Room 941 at 7:50 a.m.
- Thursday, February 4th: Boys Soccer will meet in the Mat Room at 7:50 a.m.
- Friday, February 5th: Boys Baseball will meet in the Mat Room at 7:50 a.m.

All students must be eligible to try out for sports! This information will be discussed during each meeting.

Career Day Volunteers Needed!

We're less than a month away from Career Day (February 3) and have a tremendous need for volunteers. Would you be willing to make calls to our Career Day speakers?

The job is quite simple. You'll be given all the info you need before calling, but we have learned that personal contact - not e-mails or phone messages - are crucial to ensure that all speakers show up! Also, we need parent assistance for a variety of things on the morning of career day. Finally, we still have a need for a few classroom speakers.

Would you be willing to speak, or do you know someone who could make a great classroom presentation? Our goal is to provide our students with speakers who are excited about what they do and encourage students to catch a glimpse of the opportunities education can create for them.

Contact Karen Fiorini at K_Fiorin@Bellsouth.net or Molly Leavitt at Molly.Leavitt@Gmail.com.

Band Notes

Four of our Advanced Band students completed a very arduous task on Saturday, January 9. CQ (oboe), JS (bari sax), AN (trumpet) and NM (French horn), auditioned for the Central District Honor Band at Brown Middle School in Hillsborough.

They had to perform a difficult solo, a page of scales covering the full range of their instruments, and sight read an excerpt that they had never played before. All four students performed well and had good scores from the judges.

JS was selected to perform with the Central District Honor Band at a clinic and concert to be held in Asheboro on January 29 and 30. Because he

scored higher than any other baritone sax players at the audition, he also qualifies to audition for the State Honor Band. Congratulations!

Food Drive Results

The Student Council would like to thank everyone who supported the Food Drive that was held in November and December. The tally's are in and West Millbrook donated 1,670 pounds of food, which is equivalent to 1,406 meals! Thank you for showing support for your school and community by fighting hunger in North Carolina.

Box Tops for Education Starts Up In February

The next Box Tops for Education submission for our school is February 28, 2010. It would be great if every student could bring in at least 10 box tops! Each homeroom teacher has a collection box in his or her classroom! Let's see which homeroom can collect the most by Feb 25th!

Parents can register their email addresses at <http://boxtopsforeducation.com> to print coupons, shop the Box Tops Marketplace, and learn more about how you can earn money for our school! If you have any questions, please contact Julie Sande at 676-7362 or sandej@bellsouth.net.

PBS Appreciates Your Support!

Because of your generosity, PBS has been able to keep the prize drawings in operation. This is great news, because student feedback indicates the PBS weekly prize drawings are a big motivator for students! We welcome small prizes of any type to reward students for demonstrating positive/appropriate behavior on campus. If you would like to make a contribution, please bring your donation to Lynn Midthun in the front office.

If you have any questions, please contact Kim Getty (kgetty@wcpss.net) or Katie Bonner (kbonner@wcpss.net). Thank you!

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