



Worthingway Middle School
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Worthingway Newsletter: 1-27-20

1/30, Thurs: Blaze Pizza Fundraiser 5:30 – 9 p.m.

2/4, Tues: PTA Mtg. 7 p.m. WW Library

2/7, Fri: Winter Canteen

PTA News:

Blaze Pizza Fundraiser

7166 N High St. from 5:30-9pm on January 30th. Please mention to Blaze that you're from Worthingway. Blaze Pizza will give back 20% of the proceeds from your meal back to Worthingway.

Porch Growler Fundraiser

890 High St. Thursday, February 6th. They will give 50% of the proceeds back Worthingway. Please mention Worthingway!

Basketball Concessions

We are looking for people to host the concession stand during home basketball games at Worthingway. This is a great fundraiser for the PTA and it helps fund projects for our student. We need your help running it so it can continue.

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#/showSignUp/20f0449ada62ca13-worthingway1>

Worthingway PTA meeting

Our next PTA meeting is Tuesday, February 4th at 7pm in the Worthingway Library. Hope you can join us.

TWHS Information Nights:

College Credit Plus District Meeting Set for Tuesday, January 28, TWHS – 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Students interested in participating in College Credit Plus during the 2020-2021 school year are expected to attend the College Credit Plus District Meeting on Tuesday, January 28th at TWHS from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Credit Flexibility allows students to explore areas of individual strengths and passions through the development of individual course plans. This presentation is intended for students in grades 9-11, but families and students at our middle schools are welcome to attend as well. Working together, counselors from both high schools will share information on College Credit Plus (CCP) and Credit Flexibility. College Credit Plus allows students the chance to earn both high school and college credit while in high school. There are three components to CCP: 1) Attending college classes on a college campus, 2) Attending college classes at TWHS taught by a Columbus State professor or 3) Attending college classes in the high school taught by a Worthington teacher who is an

approved adjunct professor from Central Ohio Technical College. At the conclusion of the presentation, you will receive the required "Intent to Participate Form."

Curriculum Night for 2020-21 School Year Scheduled for Wednesday, January 29 – 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

All students and parents are invited to attend our Curriculum Night on January 29, 2020, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The presentation for incoming freshmen and their families will begin in the auditorium. Following the auditorium presentation, students and parents will have the opportunity to learn about our various curricular and athletic options while touring the building. Staff members will be on hand to discuss course sequencing and options in our core academic and elective programs. In addition, representatives from our STEM program (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) and Entrepreneurship Business Academy (EBA) will be making presentations about their programs and answering questions about curriculum and possible college credit that can be earned.

Linworth Information Night:

8th grade parents: You have so many exciting options for next school year. Please consider attending our Linworth Open House on Tuesday, February 4, 7:00-8:30 p.m. to hear more about our program.

National Girls & Women in Sports Day:

This year we are doing this event in the evening so parents and coaches can attend also. Thomas Worthington High School February 5, 2020 7 p.m. Featuring special guest Kate Fagan ESPN on-air personality.

Screenagers:

We have a wonderful opportunity to share with you a three part series on the effects of screen time, social media, and digital safety for our children. Wilson Hill along with 5 other schools (Colonial Hills, Liberty, Brookside, Slate Hill, and Worthingway) have arranged for a private screening of the movies SCREENAGERS and SCREENAGERS: Next Chapter.

We hope that you will be able to attend these sessions:

SCREENAGERS: Next Chapter - Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 7:00pm

Digital Safety with Dr. Conrad (Time and Location TBD)

All of the above gatherings will be held at the Worthington Education Center (WEC), 200 E. Wilson Bridge Rd at 7:00pm

Worthingway School Musical:

This year's musical is "Getting to Know: Once Upon a Mattress" If your student likes to act, sing or dance we hope they will come join the show!

Students interested in being part of cast should join the google classroom with code: 8cmobja - and register using the form posted there. Much more information is available in the google classroom. Registration for stage crew is now closed. You can email Mr. Reed at jreed@wscloud.org if you have any questions.

Ohio Dental Outreach:

Worthington Schools is happy to be partnering once again with Ohio Dental Outreach to offer in-school dental care. The date for Worthingway Students is Friday, February 21, 2020, and will take place at Worthington Estates Elementary (Worthingway students will walk over accompanied by school staff). Dental care includes a complete dental exam, x-rays, cleaning, fluoride and sealants when necessary, and in some cases, restorative care such as fillings. All insurance is accepted including Medicaid and CHIP. For those without insurance, a low cost self-pay option is available, or you may also request donated care to cover the cost.

Permission slips will go home in December. These need to be completed and returned as soon as possible, or you may complete the form online at www.MySchoolDentist.com. We need as many students as possible to complete permission slip by December 20, 2019, although students will be accepted after that date and through the date of the clinic 2/21/20.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Casey, our School Nurse at 614-450-4300 or jcasey@wscloud.org.

Books and Bagels:

Our next *Books and Bagels* get-together will take place on February 27th at 8:00am in the library. The book selection for this month is *The Girl With All The Gifts* by M. R. Carey. Any interested students should read the book and join us for a lively discussion and delicious treats!

TWHS Girls Basketball Camp 2020:

June 9th, 10th and 11th

TWHS

\$70

Drills for skills, games and instruction by TWHS coaches.

Session 1: Girls entering grades 3, 4 and 5 4 – 6 p.m.

Session 2: Girls entering grades 6, 7 and 8 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Forms in the school office.

Yearbook:

You are now able to order your yearbook online! Please visit ybpay.lifetouch.com and enter the school code: 13560720 to get yours now!

News from the Staff:

ELA

Mrs. Adolph

Periods 4, 6, and 7 will begin reading an independent choice book and we will begin focusing on the different literary elements. Periods 2 and 9 will begin reading *Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown.

Mrs. Baker

Ms. Hill

CHillBaker will be learning about dystopias and practice literature circle discussion groups while reading "The Veldt." They will then receive their books and plan out their schedule for reading.

Ms. Beasley

Students for all my classes will be finishing up their novels soon and we have started focusing on expository texts and writing. Each day we have a new mini-lesson regarding expository writing and will end with writing an essay.

Mrs. Perkins

We are still reading our Marley Dias book. The students began researching the young activist that they chose. We will compare/contrast Marley to the activist that they chose. Please ask them about their activist. Look for my weekly emails and the Greek & Latin Roots quizzes.

Spanish

Mrs. Newcomb

Sra. Newcomb's Spanish 1a students have been learning how to share about their likes and dislikes of various hobbies and activities. They will be working to add details to their opinion statements.

Sra. Newcomb's Spanish 1b students have finally started learning the vocabulary of food so we are kind of snacky all the time! :-) Students have a lot of vocabulary to acquire in the unit so studying should be happening nightly for all students.

ALL Spanish 1b students will be working toward mastering all the skills needed to be able to independently order, resolve issues, and pay the check completely in Spanish. We will get the opportunity to try that for real in March as the highly anticipated field trip to Casa Hacienda Grille happens at the end of Unit 7. Please start budgeting \$15- \$20 for your student's lunch that day. More info to come in February. **Dates of the trip are 3/10, 3/11 or 3/12.

Science

All the 8th grade science students have made connections between mitosis, meiosis and sexual and asexual reproduction. Following a quiz, we will begin to look at Mendel's theory of genetic transfer of information. His life story is interesting, amazing and sad. Hopefully it will also motivate students to pursue their passions.

Social Studies

Mr. Tisdale

8th Grade

We are going to do a simulation of the debate between the Federalists and Anti-Federalists over the ratification of the United States Constitution.

7th Grade

We are wrapping up our unit on feudalism and looking at what caused this economic/social model to finally go away in Western Europe.

Ms. Speicher

Students will learn the details of the first articles of the United States Constitution, as well as the Preamble to the United States Constitution

Art

Mrs. Patridge

7th and 8th grade art have been actively exploring the art element line! We dipped our toe into line work by creating symmetrical line drawings with a partner using chalk pastels. Then we learned about observational drawings with a partner and we created gesture drawings. We have ended our line practice using lines to create a mural inspired by the artist ThankYouX, and we used a program called Intellaware Art to create a piece of art that showcases digital radial symmetry. Next we will be investigating Op Art and creating optical illusions.

Guidance Office

Mrs. Fei

It is hard to believe, but High School Registration is around the corner for 8th grade students!

Some important dates to get on your radar now are:

Mon, 1/27/2020 @ 7p: WKHS 8th Grade Transition Night

Tues., 1/28/2020 @ 7p: District Academic Options/CCP Night @ TWHS

Wed., 1/29/2020 @ 7p: TWHS 8th Grade Transition Night

Feb. 3-7, 2020: Registration information through classes at Worthingway

Tues., 2/4/2020 @ 7p-8:30p: Linworth Open Admissions Night

Fri., 2/7/2020: Worthingway Students Tour TWHS

Feb. 10-14, 2020: Registration for High School classes done at Worthingway

Friday, 3/27/2020 @ 4p: Linworth Application Deadline

Please see visit the Worthingway website, then go to "Guidance", then to "High School Registration" for more information.

School Office

Ms. Debernardi

Mrs. Swearengen

Mark your calendars...Parent Teacher Conferences are Thursday, February 20th and Tuesday, February 25th. More details to follow in future newsletters.

Student Absence Reporting:

If your student will be absent from school, please call 614-450-4300 to report the student name, grade and reason for the absence. This allows us to document the absence in our attendance system. If we do not hear from you, we do our best to make parent/guardian contact via phone and/or email by 10:15am to account for the student and document the absence. If your student has a medical appointment during the school day, we need a doctor's note/excuse in order to mark the absence time excused in the attendance system. If your student will be absent for an extended period of time, please have the student visit the office and ask for an Extended Absence Form. We appreciate being informed of student absences. Thank you for your support with this process.

For more information regarding attendance regulations and absences, please refer to pages 9-11 in the Worthington City Schools Middle School Handbook, which can be found on the Worthingway Website / Our School / School Handbook.

Student Check-Out Procedure:

If you need to check your student out of school, we need the parent/guardian/approved adult who will be picking the student up to enter the school with their driver's license (or digital pass on their phone) in order to complete the student sign-out process in the office. Thank you for your cooperation.

Student Check-In Procedure:

If your student is checking into school late, after an appointment or after a time away from school, they may enter the school on their own to check-in at the office. They may bring a doctor's note to the office if returning from an appointment and we will mark the time out excused. Thank you.

WorthingWay Cafe'

Breakfast Menu:

Tuesday- Apple or Cherry Frudel or Cocoa Puff Cereal Bar

Wednesday- Mini Choc Chip French Toast or Golden Graham Cereal Bar

Thursday- UBR or Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Bar

Friday- Powdered or Chocolate Covered Donuts or Mini Maple Waffles

** Breakfast will include milk, juice, cheese stick and fruit.

Si requiere ayuda en Español, favor de mandar un texto a Sarah Pettigrew al teléfono 614-359-9050 o al email spettigrew@wscloud.org

Para receber assistência em português, por favor chamar a Raul Arias ao numero do telefone 614-450-7804 ou email rarias@wscloud.org

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For assistance in other languages, please contact your child's school and ask for the EL teacher.