



Worthingway Middle School
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Worthingway Newsletter: 10-14-19

- 10/14, Mon: MathCounts 4 – 5 p.m.**
- 10/15, Tues: Fall Conferences 4 – 9 p.m.**
- 10/17, Thurs: Fall Conferences 4 – 9 p.m.**
- 10/18, Fri: No School – Classified Professional Development**
- 10/21, Mon: Math Counts 4 – 5 p.m.**
Ski & Board Club Parent/Student Informational Night KMS 7:30 p.m.
- 10/21-10/25, Mon-Fri: Actor’s Boot Camp WW Choir Rm 4-6 p.m.**
- 10/22, Tues: Board Game Club 4 – 5:15 p.m.**
- 10/23, Wed: Worthington Schools Travel Parent Information Mtg. WEC 7 p.m.**
- 10/24, Thurs: Blaze Pizza Fundraiser**
- 10/28, Tues: MathCounts 4 – 5 p.m.**
- 10/29, Tues: Orchestra Concert 7:30 p.m. TWHS**
- 10/30, Thurs: Books and Bagels 8 a.m. WW Library**
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Words Matter:

It has been a fantastic week at Worthingway Middle School! We have had the following fantastic experiences:

- Cards Tailgate with KMS: 450 students attended our tailgate and got to cheer on our 8th grade football team, cheerleaders, and band (thank you Worthingway PTA for your help with this!)
- Homecoming Parade: A group of students walked in the TWHS Homecoming Parade with me
- 1st Quarter Way Day: Today we are having our 1st quarter Way Day. Way Days are a chance for our staff to support the hard work of our students for 1st quarter. We have a Way Day Committee that puts together activities and events for our students each quarter. This quarter is our Fall Fest. Students will get a chance to pie a staff member in the face (somehow Mr. Mosca and I are popular choices), play games such as KanJam and Cornhole, and take part in a pie eating contest

Additionally, via a discussion with our Emergent Language Department, I was able to celebrate the following information with my staff:

- We have students from 30 countries attending Worthingway and who speak 24 languages

I love our Worthingway and Worthington Communities! I am proud of the opportunity to partner with KMS and to observe the pride and camaraderie between our two schools as we support our combined football and cheer teams and see our bands perform together. I am proud of the opportunity to celebrate our Worthington Community in the Homecoming Parade and see so many former Worthingway students. My greatest pride when I attend TWHS events is that my former students always come up to me and say hello. I am proud to celebrate the hard work of our students with our Way Day. And I am proud to celebrate our diversity! Have a great weekend. I hope to see you at the Homecoming Game tonight. Go Cards!

PTA News:

Thank you to all who helped on Wednesday at the Cards/McCord tailgate! It was a wonderful event that we could not have done without you!

This coming week on Tuesday and Thursday are parent teacher conferences. The PTA will be providing dinner for the teachers and staff both days. Please sign up on the following link to participate.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090944ABA622A2F49-conference>

We'd love your help raising funds to support Ham it Up for Worthingway! Please check out our fundraising page at

https://honeybakedfundraising.com/fundraisers/Ham_it_Up_for_Worthingway.

Thanks for your support!

Upcoming Dinner Fundraiser on October 24th: Blaze Pizza, 7166 North High St.

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!

Coat Drive:

St. Michael's Church will conduct their annual winter coat drive and are asking for help in obtaining winter coats, jackets, hats, scarves and gloves for Worthington families in need for the coming winter season. All sizes including adult sizes are needed. Donations will be accepted through October 31st. A donation box is located outside of our school office.

PROTECTING YOUR SCHOOL FROM MEASLES

In the past several years, the United States has seen a sharp increase in measles cases. Measles is a vaccine preventable disease and outbreaks often occur among unvaccinated individuals. It is important to get vaccinated for Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) and other vaccine preventable diseases, and if you do not there could be a potential exclusion from school and activities if children remain unvaccinated.

To help protect our school from measles, we have attached a letter from the health commissioners that we encourage you to read...

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) guidance is that if a case of measles happens in a school setting, anyone who is unable to demonstrate their immunity, is exempted, or who refuses measles vaccine should be excluded until 21 days after rash onset in the last case of measles in the school. For adults not at high risk (such as healthcare personnel and international travelers), one or more doses of measles vaccine is enough for immunity.

Additionally, staff or students with measles will be excluded from school until four days have passed since they got a rash. A person without evidence of measles immunity can be excluded from school until 21 days after the beginning of a rash in the last person with measles.

For more information, please visit <https://www.columbus.gov/measles> or <https://www.cdc.gov/measles>. If you have questions, please contact the Infectious Disease Investigation team at 614-645-1474 - option 2.

Check out Project More:

Does your student enjoy working with younger kids?

Worthingway Students have the opportunity through Project More to serve elementary students through reading.

Student volunteers will read for 30 minutes a week with a Worthington Estates' 2nd or 3rd grader.

Worthingway students may volunteer before school (8:15-8:45).

Please email Mrs. Fei at nfei@wscloud.org if this is something your Worthingway student would be interested in, or if you have any questions.

Board Game Club:

Due to a conflict with another group, we will begin meeting on Tuesdays from 4:00-5:15. We will not meet during conference week. Our next Board Game Club will be Tuesday, October 22nd.

MathCounts

We've had a great turnout for MathCounts so far. We welcome anyone who is still interested to join us.

Practices are every Monday that school is in session from 4-5pm in Mrs. McKinney's room through February.

Practices are mandatory in order to compete in the tournaments. If you haven't already done so, please let Mrs.

Adesso or Mrs. McKinney know if you can't make a practice.

Worthingway Fall Parent Teacher Conferences:

Tuesday, October 15th 5 – 9 p.m.

Thursday, October 17th 5 – 9 p.m.

Your student's teachers are looking forward to meeting with you during Parent Teacher Conferences. These conferences provide you with an opportunity to establish an open line of communication and develop a relationship with each of your student's teachers. During this time you will learn about your student's classroom performance, have an opportunity to ask questions, and share any thoughts or concerns you may have.

Parent Teacher Conferences are October 15th and 17th from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Conferences are scheduled in 10 minute time-blocks. You can schedule conferences for your student(s) at [conference](#).

TWHS Boys Lacrosse Fall Clinic:

Saturday, October 19th 6:30 - 9 p.m. at Hamilton Field TWHS Stadium. Parents are invited to join at 8:30 p.m. to watch a scrimmage and meet the coaches. Open to grades 1-8. All skill levels.

Meet and learn from the TWHS coaches and players. Tour the weight and locker rooms. Get a free TWHS lax t-shirt for attending. Bring a water bottle and equipment if you have it. If not, there will be equipment to borrow.

Register by October 13th at www.twhsboyslax.com. Walk-ins are welcome, but registration will assure the correct shirt size.

Worthington Middle School Ski & Board Club Parent / Student Information Night

When: Monday, October 21, 2019

Time: 7:30 pm

Place: Kilbourne Middle School Auditorium

Ski Club is an excellent way for your child to get involved in a middle school activity, meet new friends and learn a lifelong sport. It is offered to all Worthington middle school students (grades 7-8). Even if your child has never skied or snowboarded, ski instructors at Mad River offer lessons that can be included in your package.

Students and staff chaperones travel to Mad River Mountain Ski Resort in Bellefontaine, OH for five consecutive Mondays, starting Monday, January 6th and ending on Monday, February 3rd. Charter buses from Cardinal Busing are used to transport the students and chaperones to and from the resort. Buses will leave at 3:45 pm and will return around 9:45-10 pm.

Students can retreat to the lodge to take a break, warm-up, or eat dinner. Students have the opportunity to pack their dinner or they can purchase it in the cafeteria. Also located in the lodge is Ski Patrol, which is a group that provides first aid to anyone who is injured. Ski Club advisors are always contacted should one of our students report to ski patrol.

Students have the opportunity to purchase a variety of packages to best suit their needs. To find out more about packages, pricing, next steps, and other frequently asked questions, please attend the informational meeting on Monday, October 21 at KMS. Worthington Ski Club Advisor is Brian Scott.

Actor's Boot Camp:

Build your acting skills. Drill professional audition techniques. Challenge yourself to become a better performer. Create memorable characters. Spend an intense week with WAP's amazing theatre director Mr. Leyva playing theatre games and working on scenes and monologues. This boot camp will include expert training to prepare you to audition for Worthingway's spring production of *Once upon a Mattress*.

The **Actor's Boot Camp** runs Monday through Friday, 4pm-6pm, from October 21st - 25th and will meet in the WMS Choir Rm.

Register at <https://www2.mypaymentsplus.com/welcome> under "school year activities."

Worthington Schools National and International Travel Parent Information Night Summer 2021:

Come learn about domestic and international trips offered throughout our district. Open to all students currently in grades 6-11. We will give you an overview of the trips and give you a chance to talk with trip leaders for more details.

Wednesday, October 23, 2019

7 – 8 p.m.

Worthington Educational Center

200 E. Wilson Bridge Rd.

Questions? Contact Dr. Neil Gupta ngupta@wscloud.org.

Leadership Worthington Community Trivia Night:

Join Leadership Worthington for the first ever Leadership Worthington Community Trivia Night! This family friendly trivia event invites businesses, non-profits, families, neighbors and students to form a team of four

participants and test their trivia knowledge against one another during an exciting and entertaining evening. The Leadership Worthington Community Trivia Night is a public event, but seating is limited, so organize your team and register soon!

Thursday, 10/24 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Random Precision Brewing Company

Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/y4o4jnsy>

Trivia courtesy of Trivia 614. The entry fee is \$20.00 per Team, with all proceeds going to benefit Leadership Worthington.

For more information contact lwexecdir@gmail.com

Orchestra Concert:

Our orchestra students are busily preparing for their first concert of the year, October 29 at 7:30pm at TWHS. Selections will feature baroque, classical and Spanish music in addition to a couple of fall festive tunes. One of these pieces will feature our string basses. Worthingway students will be performing together with Kilbourne Middle School orchestra students. The high school orchestras will also be featured on the concert.

Books and Bagels:

Our next Books and Bagels get-together will take place on October 30th at 8:00am in the library. The book selection for this month is *The Poet X* by Elizabeth Acevedo. Any interested students should read the story and join us for a lively discussion and delicious treats! Please see the WW library desk for a copy of the book.

Juvenile Law 101 – Issues Affecting Franklin County Middle- and High-Schoolers, November 12, 2019 | 7 PM - 8 PM | Worthington Education Center (200 East Wilson Bridge Road)

You are invited to attend this evening presentation by Mr. Zachary Imwalle, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, and Criminal Division, which will focus on educating parents on the juvenile justice system. We will discuss topics that include a basic overview of juvenile court, common offenses committed by juveniles in the school setting, and the consequences for committing those offenses. Some common offenses we discuss are bullying/threatening others, misuse of technology (including sexting, online harassment, etc.), vaping/drug/alcohol use, fighting, and many others. We also address some serious issues that are affecting today's teens and resources available to help with those issues.

Winter Sports News:

Girls' Basketball

7th Grade Coach-TBA

8th Grade Coach-Mr. Eric Bidlack/ eric.bidlack@gmail.com

The current schedule is set up to allow the girls' basketball teams to practice from 4:00 to 6:00 for the entire basketball season. Coaches will be giving out calendars once teams are selected. Games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday nights. The girls will be committed to the basketball team on game days from 3:45 to as late as 9:00 pm. ***Please be sure you can make this kind of commitment BEFORE trying out for the team.*** There are open gyms listed below.

Open Gyms

October 8, 16, 23, 24 (Everyone); Tryouts: 4-5:45 October 28, 29, 30

First Practice Nov. 1 4- 5:45

Cheerleading

Head Coach-Ms. Riley Adamaitis/rileya2009@hotmail.com

WWAY BASKETBALL CHEERLEADING TRYOUT Information 2019-2020

When: October 22, 23 and 24 from 4-6 pm

Athletes must attend both clinic days (Oct. 22 and 23) to be eligible for tryouts (Oct. 24)

Tryouts will be October 24, 25, and 26 at Kilbourne Middle School.

Where: KMS GYM (WWAY girls will be shuttled to KMS)

KMS Address: 50 E Dublin Granville Road, Worthington-43085

All athletes must have a ride home promptly at 6 pm

Requirements for tryouts:

Appropriate workout attire (t-shirt, athletic shorts, sweatpants, etc.)

Tennis shoes

Hair pulled back and out of face

Water bottle

General information about the season:

- Athletes need an up to date physical as well as need to be on final forms **BEFORE** tryouts. Students will prior physicals will need their physicals to be valid through the end of November.
- Pay to play fee will need to be paid prior to the first game.
- Athletes will need to purchase necessary items to fulfil uniform requirements.
- Practices and games are on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- When games begin students will be expected to be at the school immediately after dismissal until the conclusion of the game

Wrestling

Head Coach - Zach Wojciechowski-zwojciechowski@wscloud.org

Assistant Coach-James Williams-jwilliams@wscloud.org

Pre-Season Team Meeting in Worthingway Library on Tuesday, October 29 at 6:15

Wrestling will begin **Monday, November 4**. We are a combined program with Kilbourne Middle School. *Practices will be held at TWHS from 4:15 to 6:15; students will be shuttled to TWHS and are to be picked up there Monday through Friday. Matches are on Wednesday's and Tournaments are on Saturday's. Home matches are in the WWAY Gym. Interested students should have shorts, t-shirt, and tennis shoes or if know you will be staying with program all year wrestling shoes and also wrestling head gear, preferably red. Please email Coach if you have any questions.*

Wrestlers will purchase team compression shirts and shorts for uniforms

Boys' Basketball

7th Grade Coach-**Demetrius** Ross-coachross35@gmail.com

8th Grade Coach- **Jenerrie** Harris-jenerrie.harris@gmail.com

The current schedule is set up to allow the boys' basketball teams to practice from 6:00 to 8:00 for the entire basketball season. Practices will not last more than 2 hours. Coaches will be giving out calendars once team is selected. Games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday nights. The boys will be committed to the basketball team on game days from 3:45 to as late as 9:00 pm. ***Please be sure you can make this kind of commitment BEFORE trying out for the team.*** There are open gyms listed below.

Open Gyms

Dates- Open Gyms-Sunday Nights-September 22, 29, October 6, October 13, October 20, October 27; Times: 5:00 to 6:30;

Try outs-October 28, 29, 30 from 6:00 to 8:00; Practice will begin November 1; 6:00 to 8:00

Site: Worthingway

News from the Staff:

ELA

Mrs. Adolph

Next week students will participate in a Mock Trial showcasing their understanding of argument, as well as our previous text, *Flowers for Algernon*. Additionally, we will have a visit from our guidance counselor, Mrs. Fei!

Mrs. Baker

Ms. Hill

CHillBaker will be starting a unit on Mood and Tone and will be reading *The Tell Tale Heart* by Edgar Allan Poe. Additionally, we will have a visit from our guidance counselor, Mrs. Fei.

Ms. Beasley

Students are working on their literary analysis and will be finishing it up over the next week!

Travel Abroad Announcement:

Your student is invited to join us on a once-in-a-lifetime international travel experience with their peers during Summer of 2021 to London and Paris!

Please join us to learn more about this educational opportunity for your child(ren). I'll be going over all the details including the itinerary, when we'll be traveling, and cost of this trip as well as the official opening of enrollment! Please forward this email along to anyone who may be interested in this amazing opportunity – or to a potential roommate for your tour!

Tuesday, October 23, 2019 7 – 8 p.m.

WEC

200 East Wilson Bridge Rd.

To ensure there is enough space and materials for everyone, please confirm your spot at the meeting by emailing Rachel Beasley at rbeasley@wscloud.org

Mrs. Perkins

Grade 7 ELA: We will be focused on argument writing all week. They will have to argue whether college athletes should get paid or not. Ask them which side they chose to write about and why.

Global Languages

Sra. Newcomb

Sra. Newcomb's Spanish 1a students are working the clock! Students are learning to ask and tell time in Spanish and will be building toward a small test that will be the last Summative grade of this 1st quarter. Students will also have a binder test, in a scavenger hunt format, before the end of the quarter. Please encourage your student to organize their binder according to the Blue Sheet table of contents. They should not throw away completed papers. Simply organize them in the Spanish binder. :-)

Sra. Newcomb's Spanish 1b students are going to spend a few days getting into the culture of Mexico. :-)
) There will be a small project for each student to complete: traditional projects should be completed mostly in class, but alternative projects will need to be done at home. Students get to choose which type of culture enrichment project they do.

Math 1

Mrs. Borders

Chapter 3 is coming to a close next week with our last few lessons. In Chapter 3, our main focuses have been connecting geometric transformations to their algebraic components (equations of parallel and perpendicular lines), multiplying binomials and polynomials using algebra tiles and then the distributive property, and lastly exploring multiple methods of solving complicated equations that arise from transformations and polynomial multiplication.

A look ahead in Math 1:

- **Thursday 10/17** - Team Challenge Day
- **Monday 10/21** - Closure Review Day (All CH 3 Missing HW Due)
- **Tuesday 10/22** - Chapter 3 Test Day

Science

Mr. Canterbury

8th grade science: Now that we have learned about how our landscape can be formed and changed, students will begin learning about how we image that landscape both in 2D and 3D by studying the maps and satellite imagery used to map our planet. Students will also learn to draw their own maps. Finally, we'll learn about the different industries that use global images for more efficient use and management of our natural resources.

Social Studies

Ms. Speicher

8th Grade Social Studies: We are continuing our study of the American colonies by taking a close look at the Salem Witch Trials and the film adaptation of the 1953 Arthur Miller play, 'The Crucible'.

Mr. Tisdale

8th Grade: Finishing "The Crucible" and beginning the causes of the American Revolution.

7th Grade: Finishing Greece at War (simulation) and exploring the Golden Age of Athens

Mr. Vallette

Greece at War Simulation

School Office

Ms. Debernardi

Mrs. Swarengen

School Photo Retakes - Ordering Information:

If your student took a photo retake on October 3 and you would like to order photos, please visit mylifetouch.com and use picture day ID: ZR419014Q1. Thank you!

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.

Café

Mrs. Johnson

Mrs. Clouse

Mrs. Wucinich

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| Breakfast Menu 2019-2020 | | | | |
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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |

| Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk |
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| 1 Mini Pancake | 1 Apple Frudel Pastry | 1 Mini Chocolate Chip French Toast | Ultimate Breakfast Round | 1 Mini Maple Waffles |
| or | or | or | or | or |
| 1 Oatmeal Chocolate Chip Bar | 1 Cocoa Puff Cereal Bar | 1 Golden Graham Cereal Bar | 1 Cinnamon Toast Crunch | 1 Super Donut |
| 1 Orange Juice | 1 Orange Juice | 1 Orange Juice | 1 Orange juice | 1 Orange Juice |
| or | or | or | or | or |
| 1 Apple Juice | 1 Apple Juice | 1 Apple Juice | 1 Apple Juice | 1 Apple Juice |
| 1 additional fruit/fruit cup | 1 additional fruit/fruit cup | 1 additional fruit/fruit cup | 1 additional fruit/fruit cup | 1 additional fruit/fruit cup |

Monday: Ravioli w/ sauce and dinner roll

French Bread Pizza

Sunbutter-n-jelly Sandwich

Salad, Seasonal Fruit, Milk

Tuesday: Breakfast for Lunch

Personal Cheese Pizza

Traditional 6" Sub

Smiles, Seasonal Fruit, Milk

Wednesday: Nachos

Cheese Pizza

Sunbutter-n-Jelly Sandwich

Black Beans Seasonal Fruit, Milk

Thursday: Tangerine Chicken w/rice

Bosco Sticks w/ Marinara Sauce

Italian Sub

Sweet Potato Fries, Seasonal Fruit, milk

Friday: NO SCHOOL

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

للحصول على المساعدة باللغة العربية ، يرجى الاتصال بـ نهى أحمد على الرقم -614-450-7808 أو البريد

الإلكتروني nahmed@wscloud.org

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