



**Worthingway Middle School**  
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### Worthingway Newsletter: 9-2-19

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- 8/30, Fri: Robotics Club Mtg. 8:35 – 8:45 a.m. Rm #30**
- 9/2, Mon: Labor Day – No School**
- 9/3, Tues: PTA Mtg. 7 p.m. WW Library**
- 9/4, Wed: Worthington Cares Speaker Series “iWise Living” 6:45 p.m. WKHS**
- 9/5, Thurs: PTA Porch Growler Fundraiser 3 – 11 p.m.**
- 9/19, Thurs: Book and Bagels 8 a.m. WW Library**
- 9/20, Fri: Community Coffee 8 a.m. Panera (Worthington Mall)**
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#### Words Matter:

“How do we win today? Life is full of little victories. If you win today, you win tomorrow.”

Mr. Canterbury challenged his 8<sup>th</sup> grade science class with this statement after his lesson and prior to them beginning an independent activity. I thought this was a great way for Mr. Canterbury to share his expectations for the activity. Typically, we tell students what we want them to do. It was refreshing to hear Mr. Canterbury phrase his activity in a positive way, as a victory, that can lead to more victories in the classroom.

Mr. Canterbury celebrates one class victor a day by awarding them a symbolic victory belt. Today’s victor was a young man named Mohammed. Mohammed won the class, according to Mr. Canterbury, for not only working hard academically, but for also modeling kindness. Mr. Canterbury highlighted the fact that when students were asked to get their Science Fusion books, Mohammed was the first student to get his, but the last to leave. He stood in the area and passed each student’s text to them. According to Mr. Canterbury, “Mohammed took kindness to another level by showing care for others.” Mohammed got his picture taken with the weight belt and he was celebrated by the class. His pride was clear and his classmates appreciated him.

Mohammed illustrates how Mr. Canterbury “takes kindness to another level.” The class I visited has a group of students we term Emergent Learners or EL students. Worthingway hosts students from all areas of the District who are new to the United States. For most, Worthingway is their first educational experience in the United States and for all, English is not their first language. Mr. Canterbury starts his class with a quote and a discussion around the quote in order to focus the class for instruction. I observed that his quote was in 6 different languages (including English), one for each of the languages spoken by the EL students in his class. He had added a new language, Japanese, and asked the Japanese speaking student if he had captured the phrase correctly. He did! Such a caring and empathetic gesture to ensure every student feels a sense of belonging. I know it is more time consuming for Mr. Canterbury to add this step to his class presentation – to interpret correctly and write the phrase correctly, but I know it helps his EL students feel welcome in a new and likely overwhelming environment. I am always impressed by how hard our teachers work to welcome and care for our students. Thank you, Mr. Canterbury, for modeling kindness in your classroom.

### **Message from PTA:**

Thank you to everyone who brought baked goods to the Open House/Curriculum Night on Monday. I hope you had an informative time meeting the wonderful teachers and staff at Worthingway! Thanks to everyone who went to Blaze Pizza yesterday for our first PTA fundraiser. We have another opportunity to support Worthingway at Porch Growler (890 High St.) on September 5th from 3-11pm. Please make sure to tell them that you're there supporting Worthingway Middle School.

Hope you can join us on September 3rd in the library for a PTA meeting at 7-8pm.

### **Robotics Club**

There will be a quick, informational meeting *Friday morning, August 30th from 8:35 am - 8:45 am in Mr. Baird's room #30* for anyone interested in joining the Robotics Club for the 2019-20 school year. No experience or knowledge of robotics is required to join the Robotics Club. Hope to see you there! Get involved.

### **Hottest T-Shirt in Town:**

Are you "Just a Kid" from Worthington, or maybe, "Just a Mom" or "Just a Dad"?? The hottest t-shirts in town are now [for sale online](#) thanks to our partners at Blue Marlin. The [online store](#) closes 8/30 and shirts will be ready for pick up by 9/20. Thanks for supporting TWHS athletics!

### **Worthington Cares Speaker Series:**

Cheryl Mahoney, M.Ed., LSW presenting iWise Living. Her iWise mission is to teach people to be wise about screen use. Learn to: "Be Aware, Protect, Prepare, Respond." Topics include: gaming, screen addiction, internet pornography, social media and media violence.

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 6:45 p.m.

Free Dinner 6 – 6:30 p.m.

Worthington Kilbourne High School

1499 Hard Rd. Columbus, oh 43235

RSVP: [Worthington Cares](#)

### **Book and Bagels:**

Our first Books and Bagels get-together will take place on *September 19th at 8:00am in the library*. The book selection for this month is *Technically, You Started It* by Lana Wood Johnson. Any interested students should read the story and join us for a lively discussion and delicious treats!

### **Box Tops:**

Would you like to support our school, but you're not sure how? As long as you go grocery shopping, you can help us raise thousands of dollars by the end of the year! Collecting is going digital! [Here](#) is the link that shares how to download the new app that will allow you to simply scan your receipts and box tops automatically get saved to Worthingway. No more clipping!

"What if I still have clipped box tops?" Please send them to your child's homeroom teacher, and they will get them to the right place.

## **What's happening in the classrooms!**

### **Global Languages:**

#### **French**

##### **Mr. Hack**

7th grade Frenchies are learning classroom and school vocabulary. Ask your student about their dream classroom they're designing! We've also been learning about different parts of speech and building up to conjugating our first verbs.

The 8th graders are working on expressing the sports and activities they do both inside and out of school. We've been reviewing adjective agreements as well, as that's been a tough concept to recall from last year.

#### **ELA**

##### **Mrs. Adolph**

8th Grade ELA: Next week we will begin *Flowers for Algernon* by Daniel Keys. Additionally, Mrs. Fei, our guidance counselor, will visit all classes on Wednesday!

##### **Mrs. Baker**

##### **Ms. Hill**

CHillBaker: Each student chose an independent reading book (IRB) and should read for 20 minutes each day. When students finish reading the book, they may begin working on their reading project which is due at the end of the first quarter, but can be submitted early!

We will be finishing studying our close reading strategies and will be visited by Mrs. Fei, our guidance counselor, on Thursday!

##### **Ms. Beasley**

Students have finished their writing diagnostic and we will begin *The Outsiders!*

##### **Mrs. Perkins**

Grade 7: We will begin reading *The Outsiders*. The students prepared by learning story vocabulary, plot diagrams, theme, and types of conflict. They also had fun learning the slang terms that were used in the 60's.

#### **Science**

##### **Mrs. Spencer**

Eighth grade science classes are exploring the layers of the Earth. We will be using an app to help us differentiate an s and p wave and find out how these are used to identify what we can't see below the surface of the Earth. The advanced science classes are completing their prep work for a science fair project. Once that has been established, they too will move on to exploring the layers of the Earth.

#### **Math**

##### **Mrs. Borders**

This week in Math 1 we are wrapping up our chapter 1 material, which focused on functions. Next week (9/2-9/6), students will take part in their first team challenge and individual test for Math 1.

##### **Mrs. Marks**

Over the past week, students worked to develop a list of how a good math teammate should look, feel, and sound like. As a class we combined our ideas to create our "Team Norms" that all team members will be

expected to follow on a daily basis. [Click here to see them.](#) After each chapter we will reflect on our norms and determine if we need to add to our list for the next chapter.

If you would like to be up to date on what is happening daily or want access to the homework please bookmark our class website.

[Mrs. Freeman's Class](#)

[Mrs. Marks Class Website](#)

## **Social Studies**

**Mr. Tisdale**

8th Grade

We will be studying the English colonization of North America.

7th Grade

We will be studying the Persian Wars.

## **School Office**

**Ms. Debernardi**

**Mrs. Swarengen**

### **SCHOOL PHOTOS & IDs DISTRIBUTED**

If your student attended one of our registration days in August and had their school photo taken, the school photo packets and student IDs have been distributed to students by their 1st period teacher. Our photo retake day is October 3, 2019.

### **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.

## Nurse's Desk

### Mrs. Casey

#### Required immunizations:

The Ohio Department of Health requires all 7<sup>th</sup> graders to have a [Tdap vaccine and a Meningococcal vaccine](#) prior to the start of school. All vaccinations must be received by September 24th.

#### Over the counter medications:

7th and 8th grade students can carry their over the counter medication and administer to themselves as long as [the form](#) signed by the parent is on file in the health office and indicates such. Parents may opt to have it kept in the health office if they feel that is a better choice for their child.

#### Prescription medications:

If a student requires a prescribed medication during the school day, it is mandatory that a physician complete a [Medical Authorization Form](#). This form must be signed by the parent and the doctor and indicate the name of the medication, the time to be taken, route of administration and possible side effects. The form and the medication, in its original bottle, should be brought to the main office by a parent/guardian.

## Kitchen

### Mrs. Johnson

<b>Breakfast Menu 2019-2020</b>				
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
1 Mini Pancake	1 Apple Frudel Pastry	1 Mini Chocolate Chip French Toast	Ultimate Breakfast Round	1 Mini Maple Waffles
<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>
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
<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>
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
MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANAGE AND MEAL SUBSTITUTIONS MAY BE NECESSARY.				
Full price breakfast is \$1.60. Reduced price				

breakfast is \$0.30. If your student receives free lunch they get breakfast at no cost.

<i><b>Monday</b></i>	<i><b>Tuesday</b></i>	<i><b>Wednesday</b></i>	<i><b>Thursday</b></i>	<i><b>Friday</b></i>
	Chicken Tenders w/ Dinner Roll	Totally Taco Bites	Penne Pasta w/Meat Sauce	Chicken Sticks w/Dinner Roll
	Big Daddy Cheese Pizza	Cheese Bosco Sticks w/ Sauce	Big Daddy Pepperoni Pizza	French Bread Pizza
	Traditional Sub Sandwich	Turkey Club Sub	Garden Salad w/ Dinner Roll	Sunbutter-n-Jelly Sandwich
No School	Crinkle Fries	Black Beans	Broccoli	Sweet Potato Fries
	Carrots		Cucumber Slices	Celery Sticks
	Seasonal Fruits	Seasonal Fruits	Seasonal Fruits	Seasonal Fruits
	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk