

West Deptford Middle School

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7th & 8th Grade Band and Choir Students are Broadway Bound!

The WDMS 7th & 8th Band and Choir students, along with several WDMS staff members and parent chaperones, will travel to New York City to see King Kong on Broadway at the Broadway Theatre. Students, staff and parent chaperones will travel to NYC via coach buses. Upon arriving, they will have the opportunity to take in the sights and enjoy lunch before heading into the Broadway Theatre to see what is sure to be an amazing performance. The WDMS Music Department has worked tirelessly to raise the necessary funds for this trip to become a reality. This is the 2nd year they have traveled to Broadway and are hoping to make this an annual adventure!



WDMS GIFTED & TALENTED STUDENTS TRAVEL TO NYC!

On June 3, Gifted & Talented students, WDMS staff and parent chaperones will travel via coach buses to exciting New York City. Once there, our students are in for a full day with a variety of exciting educational activities planned! This year's main events include a guided tour of the 9/11 Memorial & Museum and a fully-narrated harbor cruise and tour of New York City's famed waterways, including stunning views of the Statue of Liberty, the Brooklyn Bridge, South Street Seaport and more! It is our hope that this experience will enrich the students' understanding of our nation and its history. In years past, they have experienced our Nation's Capital, Washington DC! This will be the first time our Gifted & Talented classes travel to NYC.



UPCOMING EVENTS

May 1

Talent Show gr 7/8@ 6:30 pm

May 1-3

NJSLA Testing- Gr. 5 & 8

May 4

Car Wash and Vendor Day 9am-12pm

May 6-9

NJSLA Testing- Gr. 6 & 7

May 6

High School Fall Sports Meetings

May 6

L.E.A.D. Bowling party-3:30-5:30pm

May 7

PTO mtg 6:30 pm, WDMS library

May 7

High School Winter Sports Meetings

May 8

PTO flower sale ends

May 8

High School Spring Sports Meetings

May 8

Spring Concert 7pm 5/6 choir, 6th band

May 8

PTO Friendly's Night 5-8 pm

May 9

High School Spring Sports Meetings

May 10

8th grade Boardwalk Night 7-9:30 pm

WDMS café

May 11

PTO flower sale pick up

May 13-16

NJSLA test makeup week

May 15

Spring Concert 7 pm 7/8 band & 7/8 choir

May 15

PTO Friendly's Night 5-8 pm

May 17

Teacher In-Service- students off

May 20-21

NJSLA-S Science Assessment gr 5&8

May 21

4th gr Orientation 6:30pm

May 22

PTO BOGO Book Fair 3-8 pm

May 22

WDMS Band/Choir Broadway trip

May 23

PTO BOGO Book Fair 8am-2 pm

May 27

School closed-Memorial Day

May 29

PTO Wendy's Night 5-8pm

May 29

Lost & Found donated

May 30

8th gr Great Adventure trip

8th Grade Farewell - A Night at the Boardwalk!

What better way to end the school year than with a hint of summer vacation and the Jersey shore! On May 10, the 8th grade students will enjoy their 8th Grade Farewell, "A Night at the Boardwalk" from 7pm -9:30 pm in the WDMS Cafeteria! The night will be filled with fun games, scrumptious food, and beautiful decorations reminiscent of a Jersey Shore Boardwalk. There will be a photo booth with props and a DJ to keep the night moving! Dress attire is casual so students should wear their favorite pair of flip-flops and shorts! The night is sure to be filled with memories to last a lifetime! This event is sponsored by the WDMS Student Council and is free for all 8th grade students! Students should see Mrs. Thurston or Ms. Schwering with questions.



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Car Wash & Vendor Fair

Saturday, May 4 - 9am-12pm

Rain Date: Saturday, May 11th

West Deptford Middle School - 875 Grove Rd. West Deptford 08066

Cars only \$5 - SUVs \$7

Get your car washed while you shop!

Boys to Men and Leading Ladies Clubs Visit Oakview and Red Bank Elementary Schools

The WDMS Leading Ladies and Boys to Men Leadership Clubs were graciously welcomed into Oakview and Red Bank elementary schools as guest teachers. Our WDMS students exceeded our expectations! They delivered thoughtful lessons focused on themes such as: individuality is valued, kindness makes the world a sweeter place, inclusion matters, diversity is beautiful, a healthy, nutritious diet is important, self-confidence counts, how to cope with our emotions, there is always something to be grateful for and setting goals and working hard to make all of your dreams come true. Kuddos to an exemplary example of leadership in action!



WDMS STUDENTS VISIT RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

On March 29th Mrs. Pacini's class traveled to the Ronald McDonald House in Camden. Their purpose was to donate the collection of aluminum can tabs collected by West Deptford Middle School and the West Deptford Community. While there, the staff and students were given a tour of the facility. They were able to see where the families stay during treatment and were lucky enough to learn about how many families the Ronald McDonald House supports. The Ronald McDonald House earns \$0.60 per pound of can tabs! WDMS donated three large boxes of soda tabs totally almost 100lbs! Please keep collecting those aluminum can tabs. All donations can be returned to your child's homeroom teacher or in the main office. Thank you to everyone who supported this wonderful cause!



4th/5th GRADE WELCOME DANCE

The "Welcome to the Middle School Dance" is a great way for 4th grade students to experience a middle school activity, while spending time with the current 5th grade class. This year's dance will be held on June 7. The dance starts at 6:30 and the doors will close at 6:45; the dance will end promptly at 8:30. While attending, students can participate in games, contests, Photo Booth pictures, and Philly Metro entertainment and their amazing dance music! Permission slips will be available in the coming weeks.

SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS

Each summer, students are assigned a review assignment in Math and in Language Arts in order to prepare for the upcoming school year. In addition, students enrolled in Spanish I during their 8th grade year, will also be required to complete a summer assignment. It is required for your child to complete and return the assignments by September 13, 2019 to their Math and Language Arts teacher's in addition to Mrs. Arroyo if your child is enrolled in Spanish I.

This summer, your child will read a novel from the school selected reading list. WDMS has partnered with the West Deptford Public Library to offer the opportunity for students to check-out a novel just as they would a library book. Please keep in mind that we have a limited number of novels per grade level. If you would like, you can also purchase the book at a local bookstore or online. After reading one of the novels, the student will complete a worksheet to demonstrate their understanding and comprehension of the reading. This information can be found on our school homepage under the "curriculum" tab.

A school messenger will be sent out during the month of June, outlining all of this information as well as providing hyperlinks to the assignments. If you have any questions, please reach out to Laura Sandy, the Assistant Principal of Curriculum and Instruction.

END OF YEAR AWARD CEREMONIES

The End of Year Student Awards Ceremonies will be held in the cafeteria on the following dates: 5th grade on June 5 at 8:30am, 6th grade on June 4 at 8:30am, 7th grade on June 6 at 8:30am. The 8th Grade Awards Ceremony will be held on June 4 at 6:30pm. Invitations will be emailed home to notify parents if their child was selected to receive an award. Family members are welcome to attend their child's award ceremony.

8th GRADE CLOSING CEREMONY

The 8th grade Closing Ceremony will be held on Thursday, June 13, 2019, at 6:30 pm in the Middle School Gymnasium. The ceremony will last approximately 1.5 hours. At this time, each student attending will receive three tickets for family members. Due to limited space, NO ONE, (not even small children) will be admitted without a ticket. Students are expected to wear proper dress attire during the ceremony. Boys should plan on wearing nice slacks and a collared shirt. Girls should wear a dress, skirt or slacks and blouse. No jeans, shorts, tank tops or tee shirts will be allowed. All students must be academically and financially eligible to participate in the closing ceremony. Students must also be in school the day of the ceremony. Additional info will be distributed to all 8th grade families in the coming weeks.

LOOKING AHEAD TO JUNE

June 3

Gifted & Talented trip to NYC

June 4

6th grade awards ceremony 8:30am
WDMS café

June 4

8th grade awards ceremony 6:30pm,
WDMS café

June 5

5th grade awards ceremony 8:30am
WDMS café

June 5

Algebra 1 Final exam

June 6

7th grade awards ceremony
8:30 am, WDMS café

June 6

Spanish 1 final exam

June 6

5th grade field day

June 7

Geometry Final exam

June 7

4th grade Welcome Dance 6:30-8:30pm

June 7

5th grade Band concert 6:30pm

June 10

6th grade field day

June 11

8th grade social-WD Park

June 12

7th grade field day

June 13

Early Dismissal, 12:19pm

June 13

8th grade Closing Ceremony, 6:30 pm,
WDMS Gymnasium

June 14

Last day for students, early dismissal,
12:19 pm



PTO NEWS – MAY 2018

- 7 PTO Meeting 6:30
- 8 Friendly's Night 5-8 pm
- 8 Flower sale ends
- 11 Flower order pick up
- 15 Friendly's Night 5-8pm
- 22 BOGO Book Fair Family Night 3-8 pm
- 22 Spiritwear pick up 3-8 pm
- 23 BOGO Book Fair during school
- 29 - Wendy's Night 5-8 pm



WDMS PTO is always looking for volunteers. Please consider attending one of our monthly meetings to find out more about us! Meetings are held the 1st Tues of each month in the WDMS library at 6:30 pm.



BIKES, SCOOTERS, SKATEBOARDS

Students who ride bicycles, scooters, or skateboards to and from school must wear a protective helmet when riding as per New Jersey state law. Any student that does not have a helmet will not be permitted to ride their bike, scooter or skateboard home.

Students who ride bicycles or scooters are required to lock them in the racks located in front of the school. The school district will not be held responsible for damage or theft of bicycles or scooters while parked on the school grounds. Students may not ride around the building or on the property while waiting to enter the building.

BACK PACKS AND DRESS CODE

Students must keep all book bags and string bags in their lockers. The only exception is to carry a small book bag or string bag of gym clothes and sneakers to and from Physical Education class.

WDMS is air-conditioned to allow students to dress comfortably during the day. Students are expected to abide by the Dress Code that can be found in their student agenda book or on our website under the "For Students" tab then "Student Handbook".

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

No child will be permitted to ride on other buses for any reason. Students can only ride the bus assigned to them. If you have a one-day childcare issue, the person watching your child should pick them up at the school. No students will be permitted to switch between buses.

Students will NOT be given permission by WDMS administration to walk to any other location except home. (i.e. ice cream stand, pizza place or a friends)

For additional transportation information, please visit our district website at:
http://www.wdeptford.k12.nj.us/district_info/transportation

TRACK & FIELD

Date	Time	Versus	Location
5/4	4:00pm	Haddon Heights	West Deptford High School
5/17	4:00pm	Haddonfield Invitational	Haddonfield High School
5/23	4:00pm	Colonial Conference Championships	Haddonfield High School

WDMS ATHLETICS

Individual sport schedules and coach contact information are available on the WDMS website under the Athletic tab. Athletic late buses depart WDMS at approximately 4:30pm. Students may not stay after school without teacher supervision. If attending a sporting event as a spectator, students must leave and return at the beginning of the event. In the event an athletic event is postponed or canceled at the last minute, a "Remind" message will be sent from our Athletic Coordinator and a message will be posted in red at the top of the WDMS website. If interested in receiving Remind texts regarding the WDMS Athletics, please text @wdmsath to 81010 to sign up for Remind Text from our Athletic Coordinator, Mr. Jakubowski.

GO EAGLES !