



WISSAHICKON CHARTER SCHOOL

AWBURY CAMPUS WEEKLY WISSAHICKON

FROM THE DEANS

WCS Families: Thank you for adhering to and working hard to abide by the dress code. So far there seem to be *(3)* areas where our students aren't following the dress code. Those areas are:

- 1) **Leggings and tights** -Leggings and tights can only be worn if they are under dresses, shorts, or skirts. They can't be worn independently.
- 2) **Ripped jeans** -They are not allowed.
- 3) **Tank tops or sleeveless shirts** -Are not allowed.

We will enforce the dress code with fidelity moving forward and ask for your cooperation in making sure your child(ren) follow the dress code.

If you have any questions please contact me directly and thank you in advance.

Dean Jamal

FROM THE DIRECTORS

#Slimeisbad

Parents, please don't let students bring in putty or slime. It is very distracting and messy. If we see it, we will take it.

Parents, it is imperative that when arriving onto campus in the morning that parents

remain in their cars, children should be ready to go with all of their belongings and let out onto the sidewalk, not in the street. You do not have to drop off at the door, anywhere along the sidewalk is fine.

Parents should not leave their cars to let children out and/or park on campus.

The gate is open everyday at 8:00am.

If you have a meeting or need to come in the building, please park on Washington Lane and walk onto the campus. Parking in the back is for faculty only.

Finally, no left turns are permitted on campus. This is a huge safety issue with many of our walking students and their families.

We ask that you please adhere to this policy to keep all of our little ones safe and to ensure the morning arrival goes smoothly and efficiently.

Ms. O'Shea and Ms. Gina

FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

Dear WCS Parents: Report card conferences will be held on Wednesday, December 6th-Friday, December 8th. The "My Conference Time" site will be available for you to schedule your conference with your child(ren)'s teacher on Sunday, November 19th. Follow these steps to schedule:

- 1) Go to www.myconfnecetime.com/wissahickoncharter
- 2) Click on the name of your child(ren)'s teacher.
- 3) Select the desired date/time for your conference by clicking on "Sign Up."
- 4) Submit the requested information.

You **MUST** sign up by Friday, December 1st. If you have not scheduled your conference by then a date and time will be automatically assigned to you.

Please be advised that you are only scheduling for your child(ren)'s homeroom teacher. If you want to schedule with any additional teachers, please contact them directly.

Important Shift in Volunteer/Parent Clearance Requirements

To all parents/guardians, The Pennsylvania Department of Education's provided additional clarification about volunteer clearances. Parents who volunteer occasionally to chaperon a field trip are not required to have clearances as long as they will not be solely responsible for a child/group of children's well-being. Parents/guardians who chaperon trips on a regular basis throughout the year and any parent/volunteer for outdoor trips must still have their clearances. In addition, any person (parent or otherwise) who volunteer at the school on a regular basis must still have their clearances.

The information can be found on our website at <http://wissahickoncharter.org/volunteer-clearances>.

Dear Awbury Families: Late fees are now being enforced for late pick up. The charge will be \$1 per minute starting at 3:45 pm on regular dismissal and 1:00 pm on early dismissal.

Also, please disregard any letters sent to you from the School District. Refer to the letter that was sent home with your student. These are your bus stops and times. Also, as the year begins, we understand that waiting for your child's bus is a bit hectic and frustrating. We are asking that you please be patient as the process gets to a steady and more accurate pace. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Ms. Shonda and Ms. Tonya

FROM WPP

Congratulations to our top Yankee Candle Sale Winner- **Jade Wallace** in 311! Congrats to the class with the highest earnings, K12 with Bryce Williams, Ty'Anna Fleming, Emani Frank, and Hyson Rice all participating. Money raised will be used for our afterschool elective clubs! Thank you to the WPP and especially Ms. Judi Wright for organizing it all!

Next WPP meeting Wednesday, November 15th @ 6:00p.m.

WPP

MS BOYS and GIRLS BASKETBALL TRY OUTS

Permission slips with completed sports physicals are due by Friday, November 17th

- Students who DO NOT have a signed permission slip and correct sports physical will not be allowed to try out
- Student's current grades must be a 70% or better in all subjects and 2's or better in behavior
- No parents/guardians or spectators allowed in the gym during tryouts
- Appropriate workout gear must be worn: basketball shorts, t-shirt and sneakers
- **Girls Tryouts November 21-22, 12:00-2:00**

- **Boys Tryouts November 21-22, 2:00-4:00**

Ms. A and Mr. Reese

6th Grade!

6th Grade is going on a trip to Franklin Institute Tuesday, December 5th.

Permission slips are due, no later than November 20th.

Ms. Gina

8th Grade!

Graduation will be held at the Kurtz Performing Arts Center on Penn's Charter Campus- 3000 School House Lane- at 7:00p.m.

Graduates are to arrive at 6:00p.m.

Families will be allowed to enter at 6:30p.m.

Parking is FREE and on campus

Children 2 years and above will need a ticket

Each Family will receive 7 tickets total

Graduation Eligibility

- Dues must be paid in full
- Completion of senior project
- Passing all classes with C's or better + passing Y1 Average (**Y1 average consist of all three trimesters**)
- Minor behavior infractions
- If you have questions regarding your child's academic behavior progress, please see Ms. Gina
- Please note that if a student becomes ineligible for graduation or activities, dues will **NOT** be refunded

DUES

- \$295.00 due February 1, 2018
- Checks, money order and/or cash are accepted. Send payments to Ms. Shonda

Cap & Gowns will be ordered on November 1st

SAVE THE DATES

November 20th - Baby Pictures for Year Book are DUE

February 1st - Class dues are DUE

May 4th - Formal Dance - Dance Institute of Philadelphia -

5900 Greene Street - Philadelphia, PA 19144

May, 25th - Class Trip - Location TBA

June 11th - Graduation

For more information regarding 8th grade activities, please contact Ms. Gina **267-774-4370 ext. 2259** or via email **g.minor@wissahickoncharter.org**

Ms. Gina

FROM THE LIBRARY

Reading Olympics is Back!



We are excited to announce our second year of participation in Philadelphia READS Reading Olympics. During Reading Olympics training, students work as a team to read and discuss 20 books. In May, teams from all over Philadelphia compete at a local university, challenging their knowledge of those books in a fun and supportive environment.

This was a very popular club last year, and students are clamoring to get started again! Over the next few weeks, we will put together a team of 4th, 5th, and 6th graders from Wissahickon Awbury. Our first meeting will be Thursday, November 30, from 3:30 - 4:30pm in the library.

Permission slips are coming home with students this week. They will be due by Friday, November 17. Please read the contract closely with your student, as we have included additional details this year. We will notify you of your student's participation by Monday, November 20.

We can't wait to read, talk, and laugh together with our Olympians again this year!

Philadelphia READS Reading Olympics Coaches

Kate Bowman-Johnston, Anne McNichol and Rebecca Chase

The Book Fair is Coming!



The first Scholastic Book Fair of the year is almost here! Featuring hundreds of popular books at all reading levels, proceeds benefit our growing library.

The fair is open daily from 8:30am to 4:30pm during December 4-8. YES, we are open during report card conferences! We also have extended hours till 5:30pm on Tuesday 12/5 and Wednesday 12/6.

Your child will be visiting the book fair with their class on their library day. You can send money with your child on that day, should you choose to have them shop during school hours. If your family is experiencing hardship, please let your child's teacher know. We can help.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact library media specialist Kate Bowman-Johnston at k.bojo@wissahickoncharter.org or [267-774-4370 x2511](tel:267-774-4370).

IMPORTANT DATES

- November 20th, Last Day of First Trimester, **SCHOOL IS OPEN**
- November 21st, Staff Only for Professional Development Day
- November 22nd-24th, Thanksgiving Holiday - Administrative Offices and School Closed

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- All students are considered late as of 8:21am everyday.
- Our early dismissal cut-off times are 2:30pm on regular dismissal days and 11:45am on half days.
- In the event your child(ren) are picked up after 3:45pm and 1:00pm on half days, you will be charged \$1 per minute.
- Theme Dress Days:

Monday 11/20: School Spirit Day-- Wear your Wissahickon swag or feature our mascot, the red fox, in your outfit! Go Foxes!

Friday 2/2: Pajama Day-- Be cozy and wear your appropriate pajamas in for the day!

Friday 2/23: Career Day-- Show Wissahickon what you want to be when you grow up! Come dressed up to match a career!

Friday 5/18: Favorite Team Day-- Pull out your jerseys and the gear of your favorite team!

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK #10

When buying deodorant, try to avoid antiperspirants- Antiperspirants use aluminum salts to seal up your pores. In addition to being a potential health risk, aluminum takes a tremendous amount of time to make.

Have any Green Tips you want to share?

Send them to t.bailey@wissahickoncharter.org

November 2017 Breakfast Menu

No Pork Products Served

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Fresh Baked Blueberry Muffin w/ Yogurt Fresh Fruit Milk	2 Honey Wheat Bagel w/ Cream Cheese Fresh Fruit Milk	3 Assorted Cold Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit Milk
4 Assorted Granola Bars Fresh Fruit Milk	7 Blueberry Muffin w/ Assorted Yogurt Fresh Fruit Milk	8 Mini Cinni Fresh Fruit Milk	9 Assorted Breakfast Rounds Fresh Fruit Milk	10
11 Mini Cinni Fresh Fruit Milk	14 Breakfast Pizza Fresh Fruit Milk	15 Mini French Toast Fresh Fruit Milk Syrup	16 Fresh Baked Blueberry Muffin w/ Yogurt Fresh Fruit Milk	17 Mini Alphabet Treats w/ Go Gurt Fresh Fruit Milk
18 Assorted Cold Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit Milk	21	22	23	24
19 Honey Wheat Bagel w/ Cream Cheese Fresh Fruit Milk	28 Cinnamon Rolls Fresh Fruit Milk	29 Fresh Baked Chocolate Chip Muffin w/ Yogurt Fresh Fruit Milk	30 Scrambled Eggs, Home Fries & Whole Grain English Muffin Fresh Fruit Milk	This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Cold Cereal Sele

Apple Cinnamon Cher
Toasted Cheerios
Cinnamon Toast Cru
Fruity Cheerios
Cocoa Puffs
Trix
Cinnamon Chex

Fresh Fruit Sele

1c of fresh fruit offered
Apple Banan
Pear Orang

Milk Selectio

Choice of 8oz milk offere
1% Plain
Fat Free Plain
Fat Free Chocolat

November 2017

Lunch Menu

No Pork Products Served

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Thai Turkey Tacos, MMA, WG, VRO, VO Rice, Cilantro Lime Roasted Green Beans, VO Bananas 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	2 Jerk Chicken Drumsticks (2017-18) MMA WG Wheat Dinner Roll-Rockland Bakery Kale Salad w Ranch, VDG Thyme Roasted Carrots Bananas 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	3 Chicken Quesadillas zzSpanish Rice, WG, VRO ICSW Southwest Corn, VS Pineapple, Fresh, F 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk
vegetable Enchilada Rice, WG, VRO, VS aved Carrot & Romaine, VDG, VRO hole Apples, HS 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk 1 Vinaigrette (Updated)	7 ICSW Lemon-Herb Roasted Tyson Chicken, thigh recipe, MMA WG Wheat Dinner Roll-Rockland Bakery Roasted Cauliflower zzTexas Baked Beans, VBP Oranges, F 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	8 ICSW Cottage Pie Meatloaf, MMA, VS WG Wheat Dinner Roll-Rockland Bakery MSA ICSW Sweet Potatoes, Roasted VRO Blueberries, from IQF 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	9 ICSW Jerk Chicken Drumsticks, Tyson (2016) MMA WG Wheat Dinner Roll-Rockland Bakery ICSW Mexican Roasted Potatoes, VS Thyme Roasted Carrots and Peas Bananas 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	10
alafel with Pita asted Carrots and Peas Apple Berry Medley 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk zatziki Sauce, C	14 Turkey Bolognese (Rev) Italian Baked Zucchini Whole apples 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	15 ICSW Buttermilk Drumsticks, Tyson MMA ICSW Rice, Fiesta WG, VRO, VS zzTexas Baked Beans, VBP Oranges, F 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	16zz Turkey Burger, MMA, WG With Cheese ICSW Pasta Salad Roasted Kale & Carrots, VDG, VRO Bananas 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	17 Grilled Cheese MSA ICSW Cowboy Potatoes, VS Roasted Broccoli, VDG Blueberries with Lemon 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk
ry Day Theme Meal Milk	21	22	23	24
illed Cheese MSA ad Green Beans, VO Sweet Potatoes, VRO Bananas 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	28 ICSW BBQ Chicken Drumsticks Whole Wheat Pita - Father Sam's 2016 ICSW Southwest Corn, VS ICSW Tuscan White Beans, VBP Mixed Berries 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	29 Beef Bolognese (Rev) WG Wheat Dinner Roll-Rockland Bakery Roasted Cauliflower Whole Apples, HS 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	30 ICSW Sweet and Sour Chicken, MMA, VO Fried Rice ICSW Glazed Carrots, VRO Oranges, F 1% White Milk Nonfat Milk	

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Fresh Fruit Selection

1c of fresh fruit offered

Apple Banana
Pear Orange

Milk Selection

Choice of 8oz milk offered daily

1% Plain
Fat Free Plain
Fat Free Chocolate

Please note if you had a balance prior to November 1st, you are still responsible for the balance.

CEP Letter to Households

Please read... all Wissahickon Charter School students are eligible for FREE breakfast and lunch for the 2017-2018 school year!

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that Wissahickon Charter School has implemented a new option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for the 2017-2018 school year.

What does this mean for you and your children attending the school identified above?

Great news for you and your students! All enrolled students of Wissahickon Charter School (Fernhill and Awbury) are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at no charge to your household each day of the 2017-2018 school year starting November 1st 2017. Please encourage your child to take advantage of the breakfast and lunch that is available to them. No further action is required of you.

Sincerely,
Kellie Coleman
Food Service Director





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