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Weekly Wissahickon 2/18/2022

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***Message from Bethann DiGiovanni - Covid Coordinator***

Dear Families,

The difference a month can make! As we returned from winter break the city was experiencing some of the highest case counts and hospitalizations since the beginning of the pandemic. This past week case counts have dropped nearly 95% from that time and because of the decreasing case counts we will no longer require our middle school students to wear KN-95 type masks. All students should now wear masks that are most comfortable to them. Another significant change from mid-January is the pediatric vaccination rate for Philadelphia. In January only 27% of Philadelphia children ages 5-11 had received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccination and today that rate has risen to 54%. Unfortunately, at WCS our rates are significantly lower than the city's average. If your student is vaccinated, please report it on the daily Ruvna screening and send a copy of their card to vaxcard@wissahickoncharter.org. Vaccinated students with exposure to

positive cases are no longer required to quarantine but we need the card on file to allow for this. As we move towards Spring and the potential for upcoming events, vaccination rates of the school community will play a significant role, along with guidance from the PDPH, in what we can do and who can participate. [Sign up](#) for our vaccination clinic at the Awbury campus on Saturday, February 26th and be a part of keeping our community safe.

Warmly,
Bethann

Essentials:

Important Dates

February 18th- Black History Month Project due **TODAY**

February 21st - President's Day School is **CLOSED**

February 22nd - Flex Day, School is **CLOSED**

February 24th, Zoom open house for admitted Kindergarten Students

February 26th - Next Covid Vaccine Clinic

Open House for admitted Kindergarten students

We are excited to invite accepted and top waitlisted students' parents & guardians to an Information Session on Thursday, February 24th from 6 to 7 pm on Zoom. The information session will include a presentation by school leaders, a question and answer session, and a virtual tour of the building. No RSVP is required. This is a great opportunity to see our school virtually and learn more about what makes Wissahickon such a special place for students to learn and grow. We encourage you to attend!

African American Children's Book Fair

Saturday, February 26th the [30th Annual African American Children's Book Fair](#) will be LIVE and IN PERSON will be held at the Pennsylvania Convention Center, 12th Arch Street on Saturday, February 26, 2022, from 1:00 to 4 p.m est. Hosted by the African American Children's Book Project, the book fair is one of the oldest and largest single-day events for children's books in the country. Games, prizes and promotional give-aways will highlight the afternoon. A wide selection of affordable Black children's books will be available for purchase.

Mask are required at all times. There is also a Covid-19 protocol in place.

Student Vaccination Cards

If you have not already done so, please email a copy of your student's vaccine card to vaxcard@wissahickoncharter.org TODAY! Also, please note that quarantine duration is dependent on vaccination status and vaccine cards must be on file with the nurse.

Ruvna screenings must be completed prior to student's arrival and will be closed for responses at 9:00 AM .

Flat Rate Program Payment

Many of our families that have enrolled in the flat rate program have not received a confirmation email. Please complete the Parent Payment form found [HERE](#). Please note you must complete this form **each month**. The school must also complete a payment form each month. The school payment form will be submitted by the 8th of each month. The school payment forms for September and October will be submitted by November 8, 2021. Please refer to the FAQs document found [HERE](#) for more information. All question should be emailed to [Ms. Shonda](#).

On Radar***Black History Month Projects***

Black History Month Projects are due **TODAY!!** Please click [here](#) for more information on the at home projects

Covid Vaccine Clinic

Next COVID vaccine clinic on Saturday, February 26th at Awbury Campus

EXTRAS:***WCS on Ice! Come skate with Ms Kate and Ms Polite!***

WCS has rented out the skating rink at Dilworth Plaza on Saturday, Feb 26th from 10-11. The first 50 WCS students who signed up are FREE (skate rentals included)!! If you were not one of the 50, you can still join us!! You would just have to pay to skate (\$14/person) fees. All should arrive between 9:45 and 10 to rent skates and get checked in. We look forward to seeing you there!! Adults should stay with their children please!



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