

Weekly Wissahickon 11-04-2022

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Message From CEO

Dear Families,

These past few weeks have been truly exciting as our students get out into nature to enjoy the season. We've seen multiple grades at both campuses on overnight trips as well as Wissahickon in the Wissahickon at Fernhill and Awbury at Awbury coming up. I hope our students are making lots of happy memories outdoors.

Today I want to let you know about a new record keeping process in our cafeteria for tracking which students receive breakfast and/or lunch. This accounting is important as we seek reimbursement from the state for our meal program. The system we are using is used by over 27 schools and districts in the area and involves a finger scan. While data points from one finger are used to identify each student, there are no fingerprint images stored and the data cannot be reverse engineered to create a fingerprint. There is a letter attached to today's newsletter with more information. Please review this letter and reach out to Tiffany Days Harris (t.days-harris@wissahickoncharter.org) if you have any questions or concerns.

Finally, I wanted to turn to the topic of peace and safety in Philadelphia. I believe at this moment that every institution should be reflecting on how it contributes to making our city a safer place. I think we should also ask this question as individuals and families. I'm wondering how Wissahickon's families are working to make peace. Please email me with your thoughts. I'd love to hear from you!

Peace, Kristi <u>littell@wissahickoncharter.org</u>

Essentials

<u>Smiles Program - In-School Dentist</u>

The Smiles program will be at the school on Tuesday, November 29, 2022. A state licensed dentist will be available to provide dental care. Please take advantage of this program if your child hasn't been to the dentist in the last 6 months to a year. You may complete the <u>permission slip</u> online.

Flat Rate Program

The enrollment period for the flat rate program has ended. If you would like to enroll, please contact Ms. O at <u>a.oliphant@wissahickoncharter.org</u>. To receive your payment, the <u>parent payment form</u> should be completed on the last day of the month. This form can also be found on the Philadelphia School District website. Please call 215-400-4350 with any questions regarding your monthly payment.

Recess & After-school Clubs & Extracurriculars Starting Monday, October 24, 2022

Here is a link to the Club and Extracurricular calendar. Here you will find all of the current recess and after school activity offerings. After-school activities require a family member to sign the student up. More activities will be added throughout the year as they become ready to roll out, including organized sports. For all questions please reach out to Coach B. (<u>r.berman@wissahickoncharter.org</u>)









Wissahickon in the Wissahickon

On Radar

<u>After School Program Openings</u>
There are still spots available in the after school program for students in 2nd-5th grade! After school runs daily from dismissal until 6pm. Fill out a registration form here and please feel free to reach out to Andrea Hegedus, the Recess & ASP Coordinator, at a.hegedus@wissahickoncharter.org with any questions.

<u>School Lunch</u> All enrolled students of Wissahickon Charter School are eligible to receive a nutritional breakfast and lunch each school day at no charge to your household. No further action is required of you.

Please see the link to check out our menu.

Reminders

Open Enrollment @ WCS for 2022-23 SY

If you already have a child in our school and are interested in applying for a sibling, you will need to apply using Apply Philly Charter. The application is open from Friday, September 23rd and will close on Monday, January 23, 2023. Click here to apply.

School Calendar

As a reminder, our school calendar for the 22/23 school year is here. Please plan accordingly.

WCS Swag

You can now order WCS swag from our New Fernhill School Store using this link from our website under parent payments. Each order you make \$10 is donated back to the school for school community events.

Has your address, phone number or email address changed?

Please inform the Front Office of <u>ALL</u> changes to your student's demographics.

Reminder: In order to change your address, you must submit (2) proofs of residency in addition to the change of address form.

Follow Wissahickon Charter on Social Media

Follow WCS on Facebook and Instagram for important school updates and to see student learning and fun in action! And don't be shy- we love it when you like, comment, and share our posts! You can also follow WPP (Wissahickon Parent Partnership) on Instagram.

Important Dates
Tuesday, November 8th: School Closed for Professional Development
Friday, November 11th: School Closed for Veterans Day
Wednesday, November 16- Friday, November 18th: 5th Grade Horsham Trip



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