

Westside Village Magnet School

"A Fun and Innovative Place to Learn"

News

Upcoming Events

February 28th	Girl's Basketball Game - Central Christian @ WVMS - 4:00pm
March 1st	Regular Early Release 2:00pm
March 1st	Attendance Area Change Requests for High School Freshman Due
March 6th	Parent Information Meeting for Lottery - 6:00pm
March 8th	Parent Information Meeting for Lottery - 12:00pm
March 8th	Full Day of School (3:35pm) - No Early Release
March 15th	Full Day of School (3:35pm) - No Early Release
March 20th	Middle School Parent Information Meeting for Lottery - 6:00pm
March 21st	Spring Picture Day
March 22nd	Full Day of School (3:35pm) - No Early Release
March 23rd	Community Celebration - 5:00pm - 7:00pm
March 24th	Fourth Six-Week Session Ends
March 24th	Lottery Applications Due by 4:00pm
March 27th - 31st	Spring Break

WVMS Lottery Information for the 2017-18 School Year

It's lottery time for the 2017-18 school year! Students who already attend WVMS do not need to reapply for the following school year. If your child has a sibling that will be attending WVMS next year, please stop by the office to pick up a lottery application. Anne can also e-mail you one.

Also, please encourage your friends and family to come check us out! Family recommendations are hugely appreciated! Some of the most involved families that we have had came from word-of-mouth recommendations. If you have friends or family that would like to learn more about WVMS, please encourage them to call for a tour or to come to a parent information meeting. We are scheduling tours and having Parent Information Meetings on Monday, March 6th at 6:00pm, and Wednesday, March 8th at 12:00pm. There will be a middle school information meeting on Monday, March 20th at 6:00pm. People can call the office at 541.355.2000 to schedule a tour. Thanks for helping to spread the word about WVMS!

School Day Changes

Due to all of the snow days, the following changes have been made to the district calendar: Wednesday, March 8th, March 15th, and March 22nd will be full school days with no Early Release. On Wednesday, April 5th, School Improvement Wednesday (2:00pm release) schedule resumes, and there will be no 11:45am release for students on that day. On Thursday, April 13th, all students attend school (this was previously a conference day). On Friday, April 14th there will not be any school for WVMS students. If you have any questions, please call Anne in the office at 541.355.2000.

Arts & Engineering Camp!



Curriculum

Students have started a project called "Use Your Brain to Have a Heart." They are learning more about how the brain works, how it develops, and how to keep it sharp and healthy. Students are creating a question or defining a problem to solve that will help keep their brains healthy. Possible outcomes will be service learning, a teaching project, or designing something that they build and share.

In math, students are looking for algebraic patterns, arrays, and dimensions by doing an investigation called The Bend Joy Project. The Bend Joy Project is a challenge, a conversation, an opportunity, an experiment, and a mission to bring joy in meaningful ways to keep our community healthy, strong, and beautiful. Students are thinking of something that brings them or someone else joy. They will then do that thing, and keep generating joy. They are then sharing it with others in an effort to spread

Village Rhythm and Blues

Mark your calendar for April 29th for Village Rhythm and Blues! This super-fun event is our yearly fundraiser, and helps us fund artists in residence, adventure learning opportunities, service learning opportunities, and all of the special extra things we do here at WVMS. It's a night out for parents with dinner, music, silent and live auctions, raffles, and more! The bonus? Free babysitting at WVMS! Save the date and come have some fun!

We have just received a generous \$2000 sponsorship from **The Brace Place** for our Village Rhythm and Blues Event on April 29th. Thank you! **Wheel Fun Rentals** and **Prime Lending** have also recently become sponsors. We are so grateful for your support! If you have a business or know of one that would like to be a sponsor of our event, there is still time! Please contact Julie Norfleet at gratefuljulie@gmail.com for information and options.

Before & After School Clubs

We are in need of a volunteer to help facilitate our Older and Elder Robotics Club on Thursdays after school. Also, if you have a talent or passion that you would like to share with kids in a club, we'd love to have you facilitate! If you are able to help in either way, please contact Rob at rob.edde@gmail.com. Thank you!

Did You Know?

During conference week, students just enjoyed an amazing week of Art and Engineering Camp where they worked on ceramics, fused glass, photography, drama, coding, and engineering challenges. These opportunities are made possible in part by your generous yearly donations to Friends of WVMS. Thank you!

Volunteers

Many thanks to those parents who were able to come and help with our Friendship Day celebration. We appreciate your time!

We are currently in need of a volunteer to help organize our school food pantry as well as a volunteer to help organize some books. If you are able to help, please contact Christine at wvm volunteers@gmail.com. Thank you!

Phones in the Classroom

Please help us support our "no phones/personal electronic devices during class time" rule by having a conversation with your child about putting their phone away during class time and at lunch. Phones and personal devices can be a huge distraction and can cause students to be off task and not to not be engaged in their work. It's ok for a child to check their phone messages during break times, but we would rather they interact with their friends during lunch and "unplug" from electronics. This could be a great opportunity to start a conversation with your children about technology etiquette, limiting screen time and the importance of social interaction. Thank you for your support.