



# WARE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Ware Families,

Good afternoon! I hope this email finds you well! It is hard to believe that today marks the close of grades for the first quarter of the 2022/23 school year. Reports cards will be issued on Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. With the month of November comes the start of the holiday season, which will make the time appear to go by even faster. It is that time of year to mark your calendars for the return of the High School Holiday Craft Fair. This year the event will take place on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the gymnasium. This event has been canceled for the past couple of years due to COVID and we are exceptionally excited for its return! I hope to see you there!

Daily, students take part in many activities throughout the week whether it be afterschool programs, athletics, clubs, along with before and afterschool help. Last week three student athletes, Jack Auchter, Rachel Desjardins, and Mia DiRienzo, attended the *MIAA Educational Athletics Summit*. This summit provided these student athletes the opportunity to take part in the following workshops:

- They Called You What? Challenging Bias in Schools & Sports
- Student Leaders Elevating Their Voices to Change Their School Culture Around Mental Health
- Unpacking Unconscious Bias
- Student Leadership and Teamwork

It is a pleasure to watch students grow and develop leadership skills that will afford them opportunities now and in the future.

Work has begun to remodel the fitness area within the JS High School. The area has been enlarged for cardio space to include a treadmill, stationary bikes, elliptical, and rowing machine. The main room will include free and resistant weight equipment. I look forward to sharing the remodeled area with you once the work has been completed. Many thanks go to Joe Vadnais and the Director of Buildings and Grounds, Bill Deschamps, as most of this work is being completed by the Building and Grounds crew.

We continue to seek out acts of kindness and good deeds that occur around us daily. Please consider sharing with the Ware Learning Community any random acts of kindness you see or hear. Go to the WARE Positivity Shines link on the district homepage to complete the form:

[https://www.wareps.org/superintendent/positivity\\_shines](https://www.wareps.org/superintendent/positivity_shines)

As a reminder, there will be a half day of school for students on Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. WJSHS will dismiss at 11:15 a.m. and WMS & SMK will dismiss at 12:00 p.m.

Halloween activities have been taking place throughout the district. Yesterday, Kindergarten and Pre-School students participated in their annual Halloween Parade. Students dressed up and trick-or-treated around SMK. Kindergarten students also trick-or-treated at the Central and Middle School offices. Visit our [website](#) or [Facebook page](#) to see some of the great costumes!

Wishing everyone a safe and fun Halloween weekend!

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