

FROM THE DESK OF *Superintendent DiLeo*



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3 ❁ 9:00-2:00 ❁ WJSHS GYMNASIUM

With the holiday season fast approaching, we welcome back the Holiday Craft Fair. It has been two long years since the event was held due to COVID. The district is extremely excited to have the vendors back to provide the community an opportunity to do some holiday shopping locally. The Craft Fair is the main fund-raising event for all the high school classes. I look forward to seeing you there!



2022-2023 SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES & OFFICERS

On November 16th, fourteen students were recognized for their academic excellence in Spanish and are now members of the national organization through the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP).

The founder and advisor of the WJSHS Chapter is Mrs. Kelly Shamgochian.

Front Row (l-r): Tyler Bonilla, Rachel Desjardins (VP), Chloe Cebula, Emily Chagnon, Isabella Lee, John Mumper

Back Row (l-r): Ethan Flamand (Pres.), Mathew Desrosiers, Remy Cahalan, Noah Fales, Kyle Gordon, Kyle Safford, Gavin Kanozek, Jack McKeever

Kindergarten Keep Book Night

Thanks to all families who attended the Kindergarten Keep Book Night last evening. The importance of spending time reading to and with your child/ren is imperative to their learning to read. Dr. Catherine Snow of Harvard's Graduate School of Education informs us that a child must see a word at least 15-20 times before they learn it. Exposing students to new words and using those words in conversation will help children grow their literacy skills.



The District has received a supply of COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Test Kits for all staff and students. These tests will be sent home on Monday, November 21st. It is recommended tests be used no earlier than 24 hours prior to returning to school after the Thanksgiving Break.

MIAA Sportsmanship Summit

On November 10th, nine WJSHS student athletes attended the 28th Annual MIAA Sportsmanship Summit at Gillette Stadium. Students participated in three breakout sessions:

- LeadOr: Let's Goal and Mind Map Your Post-Secondary DREAM!
- They Called You What? Challenging Bias in School & Sports
- Unpacking Unconscious Bias



Dakota Kularski, Madisyn Slattery, Athletic Director Thomas Shamgochian, Shelby Hogan, Jack McKeever, Kyle Kaczuwka, Jack Gaudreau, Philip Orszulak, Mia DiRienzo, Emily McGrail



STAFF VS. STUDENTS VOLLEYBALL GAME

WJSHS Faculty & Staff came together on November 10th to challenge the Varsity Girls' Volleyball Team after their final home game was forfeited by their opponent. Fun was had by all, and the girls' varsity girls were victorious 3-0!

IMPORTANT DATES

THANKSGIVING BREAK
November 23rd-25th

EARLY RELEASE DAYS
Friday, December 9th
Thursday, December 22nd

HOLIDAY BREAK
December 23rd-January 2nd
Students return to school January 3^d

COATS FOR KIDS

The Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids Drive has been collecting coats for families in need.

If you are in need of a coat for your child/ren, contact us at 413-967-4271.



Thanksgiving Day Football Game

Ware vs. Quaboag
10:00 @ Veterans Field

THANK YOU to the Football Team for helping decorate Main Street last weekend! Volunteerism has always been a cornerstone of Ware Public Schools. Making sure we give back to our learning community and community at large is a valuable lesson for our children.