

NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal...

Included with this newsletter is Governor Scott's recently issued Executive Order providing guidance for schools related to limits on multi-household social gatherings. If your family travels out of state for the Thanksgiving holiday, or if you attend a gathering with members outside of your household we respectfully will not question your judgement in doing so. However, if this is the case we ask that you please help us keep our school community safe by quarantining your children at home and continuing with the remote learning plan while they do so.

I can't tell you how much I appreciate everyone's understanding and support over the last week and a half. Working together as a team is what will keep our school community safe and our school open so parents can get back to work.

Thank you to everyone that joined the community outreach meetings; I very much appreciate your input and voice. We discussed a myriad of topics; one being winter sports, specifically, basketball. I explained that our System Preparedness Team would discuss it and make a decision on the potential start of practices after December 15. As always, our main goal is the health and safety of our staff and scholars and keeping the building open for their education. Additionally, I shared our amended school calendar which is also included with this newsletter; please note that January 18 and June 14 and 15 are now scholar days, rather than in-service days. The next community outreach meeting will be via Zoom on Wednesday, December 9 at 6pm; we'll share the link.

We will be sending out a survey to our middle school families inquiring if their scholar will participate in skiing or snowboarding if we move forward with our Winter Activity Program. Slopestyle will come to school in a couple of weeks to fit scholars for their equipment. This will be done regardless whether or not we are able to proceed with the school sponsored program. We extend our sincerest appreciation to those community members whose generous donations makes this possible. As well, many thanks to Wade Pierson. We are most fortunate to have Northeast Slopes in our community!

Last week, on the 18th, it was National Education Support Professionals Day. We have an amazing group of support staff here at WRVS who support our scholars in very meaningful ways and WE THANK THEM!

As expected, the cold winter weather has arrived. Please be sure your child comes to school on Monday with clothing to keep them warm on the playground; a hat, mittens or gloves, snow pants, a winter jacket and warm boots. If your child is missing any clothing items, please ask them to check out the lost and found box which is located on the sidewalk next to the main entrance.

I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday, November 30. Please be sure to have your child bring their Chromebook and charger to school and it would be greatly appreciated if all passengers, as well as the driver be masked both for the morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. Again, this is for everyone's safety as we work together and continue our diligent quest to keep our school open.

A virtual Scholastic Book Fair is in the planning stages. Please keep an eye out for details.

During this season of giving thanks, I wish you and your family a wonderful holiday and I will look forward to next year when we can all celebrate as we're used to.

With gratitude,
Carlotta Perantoni

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