

REMINDERS

April 1st – Last day of Quarter 3

April 5th – 6th & 8th Grades Spring Choir Concert

April 6th – All City Wrestling meet at 5:00 at Sentinel

Attendance Hotline: 728-2400 ext. 2667

Update

It is hard to believe it's April! We hope you had a relaxing, enjoyable Spring Break. Today is the last day of the third quarter. We move into the last and final quarter of the school year next week!

This month, we will begin our state testing. Students will take the Smarter Balanced Assessment in April or May. Track begins this month; April 4th is the first practice. The rest of the schedule will be available on our website. Our weekly announcements are also available on the Washington website. There is a blue button on the right side of the webpage labeled Announcements.

Thank you for sending us your wonderful students! As always, do not hesitate to reach out with questions.

Sincerely, Kacie Laslovich Principal Washington Middle School kllaslovich@mcpsmt.org

Mindful Minute

Each week, students have the opportunity to practice a Mindful Minute during WIN. They hear some instruction around mindfulness and then as a class are given a minute or two to practice. Check out our recent lesson!





Welcome Mr. Raymond Kingfisher

We are excited to welcome Mr. Kingfisher, our Native American Specialist, to Washington Middle School. He will be here to have lunch with students every Wednesday.

Smarter Balanced Assessments

We will be state testing in April and May. All students take the math and English language arts tests, and 8th graders also take the Science test. You will receive the results of these tests in the Fall of 2022. Testing dates are as follows:

April 11^{th} - 15^{th} – 8^{th} Grade Science SBAC April 25^{th} - 29^{th} – 8^{th} Grade Math & ELA SBAC May 2^{nd} - 7^{th} – 6^{th} Grade Math & ELA SBAC May 9^{th} – 13^{th} – 7^{th} Grade Math & ELA SBAC

A Message from our Family Resource Center

We have FREE Empower Packs available at WMS. These include non-perishable items to supplement a pantry at home for the weekend. Some items include macaroni and cheese, cereal, boxed meals, snacks, etc. Your students can get these from our Family Resource Center or families can pick them up from the office at any time. Please contact Shannon Ortt at sortt@mcpsmt.org if you have any questions.

Resources

Website: https://www.mcpsmt.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=4362

Bus Information: http://www.infofinderi.com/ifi/?cid=MCPS4CVNG54XW

Washington Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/wmsmissoula/



Washington MS BPA Chapter did amazing at state!! This was the first year of middle level in-person state competitions in Montana. Please congratulate the following students for a year of hard work.

Business Fundamentals Concepts - 8th place - Asha Gregoire

Computer Literacy Concepts - 2nd place - Shiloh Faulconbridge

Digital Citizenship - 1st place - Amelia Adams * invited to nationals *

Digital Citizenship - 3rd place - Mattea Gannon * invited to nationals *

Digital Game Design Team - 1st place - Jayne Jensco / Branden Roach / Elan Torretti * invited to nationals *

Digital Game Design Team - 2nd place - Davis Bodnar/ Shiloh Faulconbridge/ Kincaid Fiscus / Clifford Winter * invited to nationals *

Extemporaneous Speech - 1st place - Brynn Irwin * invited to nationals *

Extemporaneous Speech - 2nd place - Asha Gregoire * invited to nationals *

Extemporaneous Speech - 4th place - Mari LaPlante

Financial Literacy - 3rd place - Mattea Gannon * invited to nationals *

Graphic Design Promotion - 1st place - Aiden Mills * invited to nationals *

Introduction to Video Production Team - 1st place - Davis Bodnar / Kincaid Fiscus / Asha Gregoire / Brynn Irwin * invited to nationals *

We'd like to extend a big THANK YOU to Mrs. Elam for your hard work and dedication to this program!





Battle of the Books

Congratulations to this group of awesome WMS students! They are the new Battle of the Books City

Champs!

William Eblore

William Ehlers
Juliet Giarraputo
Maia Fishman-Miller
Whitney Giarraputo
Asha Gregoire

Thank you Mrs. Lipke & Mrs. Hossack for your work with Battle of the Books!



PTA

Join us at the next PTA meeting!

April 13th at 6:30 pm

We meet in the library.

Please enter at the main entrance on Central Ave.

If you are interested in helping with the 8th Grade Celebration, please join us at this meeting. We will start planning the celebration!



MathCounts

Wow! Our MathCounts team took 1st place at State in Butte! We are so proud of each and every one of them.

Brynn Allred took 5th place. Isaac Lukacs took 1st place and will be headed to Nationals in Washington DC!

Thank you coaches, Kari Boucher and Jon Graham, for your dedication to this group!



WMS Book Swap

The WMS library is seeking book donations for a Book Swap to be held this spring. Throughout the year, students earn Positively Extreme tickets for modeling Safe, Responsible, and Respectful behavior. They can use these tickets to "buy" books from the Book Swap. Donations of your gently used books can be brought to the WMS library. Contact Ms.

Lipke <u>blipke@mcpsmt.org</u> or Mrs. Hossack <u>jkhossack@mcpsmt.org</u> with questions.





