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## WASHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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## REMINDERS

### Winter Break

December 21<sup>st</sup> through  
January 1st

Rotation #6 – 12/4

6<sup>th</sup> Grade—Periods 8 & 3

7<sup>th</sup> Grade—Periods 7 & 3

8<sup>th</sup> Grade—Periods 8 & 3

Thank you for using  
the Attendance Hotline:  
728-2400 ext. 2667



FACEBOOK.COM/WMSMISSOULA/

### The Last Month of 2020

2020 has surely been an interesting year! I know this is repetitive but I cannot thank our WMS community enough for the support and flexibility you have given us this year. We feel fortunate to work with this community, and we are excited for the future!

Thank you to everyone who joined us at Parent/Teacher conferences last month. We love working with families to ensure the success of our students.

We will continue our annual WMS Giving Tree this year. It will be virtual; please see the details about how you can help on the last page of this newsletter.

Last month, the MCPS school board approved the in-person schedule which is to remain in the hybrid model through the end of the first semester (January 22<sup>nd</sup>). The schedule is regularly evaluated by the school board, health department and COVID task force.

We need your help! Pick-up and drop-off are located on Central Ave. The bus lanes are on Sussex, and this street becomes very crowded and dangerous when we use Sussex for pick-up and drop-off. Please work with your student to determine a safe location for pick-up or drop-off that is not on Sussex Ave. We also ask that our students use the crosswalk. We have staff near our crosswalks to ensure safety. Safety is our top priority! Thank you for your cooperation.

Thank you for sending us your amazing students!

Sincerely,  
Kacie Laslovich  
Principal  
Washington Middle School  
*"Teamed for Success"*



## Remote Learning

During Remote Learning days, students can expect a continuation of the curriculum taught during face-to-face instruction. Teams of teachers in each content will work together to deliver an instructional video, activities and virtual office hours. Students can expect to have approximately 1-2 hours of work per class period.

Every staff has a Remote Learning 2020-21 button on his/her homepage. This is where Remote Learning information will be posted by teachers. You can access the homepages here:

<https://www.mcpsmt.org/site/Default.aspx?PageType=1&SiteID=1386&ChannelID=1510&DirectoryType=6>

Students should be logging into their Google Classrooms each Remote Learning day for assignments and Google Meet times. We are tracking participation; these are instructional minutes that we report to the Office of Public Instruction.

## Yearbooks

If you'd like to purchase a WMS yearbook, please go to: [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com)

The cost is \$20 through March 1, 2020. The cost goes up to \$25 after that.

## Resources

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

Bus Information: <http://www.infofinder.com/ifi/?cid=MCPS4CVNG54XW>

Parent Portal: <https://q.mcps.k12.mt.us/ParentPortal/>

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





## Washington PTA

Have you been curious about how you can help out your school? Consider joining the PTA! We have monthly Zoom meetings typically the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. We would love your input and support!

Did you know there is an easy way you can support your WMS PTA? Several local and national business have set up generous programs to direct a percentage of your everyday purchases to support schools. The Good Food Store and Fresh Market both donate to us, just say Washington School prior to payment and a donation is automatically made. We also have an account with Amazon Smile, here is the link: [Montana Congress of Parents Teachers - Washington MS PTA](#). A donation is made to us with every purchase!

Please join us for our next Zoom meeting, Wednesday, December 9th at 6:30 PM. Email us at [wmspta59801@gmail.com](mailto:wmspta59801@gmail.com) and we will send you the link.

## **WMS POETRY CONTEST!**

- The poem should reflect things and experiences specific to your grade level during this year.
- It can be in any form.
- You may include art work or graphic design with your piece.
- There will be a winner at each grade level and it will be published in this year's WMS yearbook. Winners will also receive a \$25 Amazon Gift Card.
- DUE: January 8, 2020

If you have any questions, please email Dana Olenick: [dolenick@mcpsmt.org](mailto:dolenick@mcpsmt.org)





## **Family Resource Center**

Thank you for the overwhelming response to the toiletry drive! We will be able to help out so many families this Holiday season due to your generosity!

Our annual Giving Tree is virtual this year! The Giving Tree will be done through Sign Up Genius and the link is live! Just click on the Sign Up Genius link, pick a tag, shop for the gift, wrap and return the gift INCLUDING the tag (ex. 1A boy, age 12) to Washington Middle School no later than December 11th. Please call Shannon Ort, Family Resource Coordinator at 728-2400, ext. 2616 with questions. Thank you for helping Washington Families this winter!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AADA62FABFDC70-holiday>



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