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Winfield News

November 2011 

From the Administrators' Desk . . .

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Assistant Principal

School Colors:
Blue & White

School Mascot:
Wildcat



It is that time of year when we traditionally pause to reflect on those things for which we are thankful. Winfield has many things to be thankful for. We are thankful for the wonderful students that you send us each day. We are thankful that we have parents willing to work with us to help educate the students of Winfield through volunteer services. Finally, we are thankful for our teachers and staff members who work together for the success of each student. We hope that each of your families has many things for which you are thankful as well.

We've had 2 of our 4 conference nights so far. We appreciate the time parents and guardians have taken out of their family time to come share student progress. Our next conference night is on November 16th. If you have not met with your child's teacher yet, please call the office between 9am—3pm to schedule a conference. Remember that our special areas teachers are also available to conference and would love to share student progress with you. The first quarter of the school year is almost over. All students in grades 1-5 will receive their report card on November 9th. Please celebrate your child's successes from quarter one and help him/her to set appropriate goals for quarter two.

We continue to receive many notes asking for permission for excused absence for family vacations. I certainly value family time, it is very important. Please remember that students' school attendance impacts their academic success. Often work is asked for in advance of a family trip. While we are happy to send routine work (such as Word work, math facts, journal writing) other assignments vary depending on class progress throughout the week and will therefore not be sent until a student returns to school. Completing make up work cannot replace targeted instruction that students receive when they are at school. We need students to be in school on a regular basis so they can achieve to their maximum potential.

Please remember if your child is packing their lunch and bringing items that require spoons, straw, etc. you need to send those with your child. The cafeteria is not able to dispense these products to packer.

Ms. Bell & Mrs. Maring

There are several changes on the ELA guidelines for on, above and below grade level expectations. These changes will be phased in mid-year. A letter is being sent home explaining these changes. Mrs. Bixler, our ELA specialist, will have a parent information session from 6:00—6:30pm on November 16th in the Media Center. Please RSVP if you plan to attend.



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Regular school attendance is critical to a student's performance. The Maryland State Department of Education has established that 96% attendance is excellent and 94% is satisfactory. Winfield's attendance for the 2011-2012 school year has been 96.12%. October's attendance was 95.51%. Please help your child to be successful by having them miss school as few days as possible.

Mission Statement: "Winfield School is a community of motivated learners working together to achieve each individual's highest potential."

CCPS Volunteer Training Dates

If you had volunteer training for the last school year, your training was only valid through September 30th. Training is required every year. Please consider attending a Volunteer Training as soon as possible. *Thanks!*

Please mark your calendars with the following two hour & forty-five minute early dismissal days for the 2011-2012 school year: November 3, November 14, December 9, December 23, February 10, March 5, May 11 & June 14th.

Please call the number provided to confirm the scheduled training session.

+ precedes a school event/activity
 * follows a school event/activity
 # part of a school event/activity

NOVEMBER 2011

2	Spring Garden Elementary	7:00 PM	410-751-3433
8	Spring Garden Elementary	7:30 AM	410-751-3433
8	Oklahoma Road Middle	6:00 PM	410-751-3600
9	# Runnymede Elementary	6:30 PM	410-751-3203
10	+ Cranberry Station Elem.	6:30 PM	410-386-4440
10	West Middle	6:30 PM	410-751-3661
15	Mt. Airy Middle	6:00 PM	410-751-3554
15	# Runnymede Elementary	6:30 PM	410-751-3203
16	Eldersburg Elementary	9:30 AM	410-751-3520
16	+ Mechanicsville Elementary	6:30 PM	410-751-3510
16	+ Mt. Airy Elementary	6:30 PM	410-751-3540
21	# Runnymede Elementary	6:30 PM	410-751-3203
21	Northwest Middle	7:00 PM	410-751-3270
22	Elmer Wolfe Elementary	7:00 PM	410-751-3307

The volunteer program in Carroll County Public Schools utilizes the talents of all interested citizens in the following capacities:

- Level I volunteers (guest speakers, business representatives, concession stand workers, etc.) must annually register at a school site before volunteering.
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- Level II volunteers (classroom helpers, chaperones, mentors, etc.) are required to attend an annual training session at least **seven (7) school** days prior to volunteering.

ELA News - Mrs. Bixler

Great news! The journals for the Ready, Set, Read! program have arrived, and your student(s) should have started their reading! The quarterly expectations are inside the journal. Students at every grade level need to complete 16 journal entries beginning in the second quarter. The guidelines for minutes read vary across grade levels. Journal entries for Kindergarten and first grade students can be drawing a picture and/or labeling a character, favorite part, or event from a story. Younger students can also dictate a sentence to go with the picture and have an adult write.

At the end of each quarter, students who have met their goal for number of journal entries and minutes read will have their names entered to win prizes such as books, signed footballs, and other prizes. They will also have their names entered in a drawing to go to Ravens' Stadium and lunch at Morton's Steakhouse at the end of the year. One student in grades K-2 and one in grades 3—5 will participate in this fabulous opportunity, so please help your child keep track of their minutes and turn in their journal at the end of each quarter. Remember, any reading counts!

Happy Reading!!

Ms. Bixler



Greetings from Guidance!

Our students here at Winfield have had lessons this year on Respect, being On-task, Attitude and Responsibility, the school wide ROAR expectations. We have been so pleased to see the enthusiasm and great ideas coming from students during their guidance lessons. They have a wonderful grasp of what each idea means, how to show it, and why it is important.

During the month of November we will finish our ROAR lessons and do lessons about cooperation and kindness. This is a fun time, as many classes will participate in games in which they are required to work together in order to be successful. Our PTA will be having their annual food drive before Thanksgiving, and many families take time to volunteer or show generosity in other ways during the holiday season. Please take time to talk to your children about the benefits of helping others and showing kindness.

Final thoughts...Lucy Larcom, a 19th Century American poet said it best when she stated, "If the world seems cold to you, kindle fires to warm it." That's what Winfield students and staff hope to do during the month of November (and always).



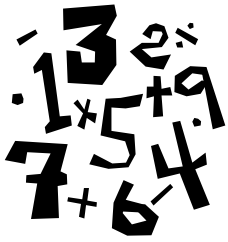
Mrs. Millison and Mrs. Uram

Healthy Living!

Take the Green Challenge and Load your grocery cart up with all things Green!
And by green we mean color. **10 Ways to Go Green:**

1. Hearts - romaine hearts are economical and easy to "cut to order" during the week. We find they last longer than shred bagged lettuce.
2. Apples - use green for desserts, snacks and salads.
3. Pears - in season now
4. Broccoli, broccoli raw - always a good idea
5. Asparagus - cooks quick in the microwave or toaster oven
6. Herbs or herb paste
7. Cabbage - Make slaws, into tacos and add to stir-fry dishes
8. Spinach - the great thing about spinach is that it can be eaten raw or steamed so you get double duty for the same thing in one week
9. Avocado - a rich flavor treat
10. Limes - salads and many other





Basic or Not So Basic Facts?

What are basic facts? Basic facts are an important component of a student's success in mathematics. In addition, basic facts are facts through 10 (0+0 through 10+10). In subtraction, basic facts would be the **inverse** of the addition facts (20 - 10 through 0 - 0). Multiplication and division follow the same concept as addition and subtraction (0x0 through 10x10 and 0÷0 through 100÷10).

Why is my child having difficulty memorizing basic facts? Unfortunately, that is not a basic answer. However, let's try to understand how memory works. As adults, we remember a great deal of numbers; phone numbers, pin numbers, addresses, dates, etc. The one thing that they all have in common is importance or meaning to the individual. It is difficult to remember numbers that have little or no meaning to an individual. For example, do you remember the value of PI? Everyone who took high school geometry was introduced to PI, however, most adults do not have a connection to it. Basically, that is why some children have difficulty memorizing facts. In **rote** practice each fact is isolated and becomes overwhelming.

How can I help my child with basic facts?

Children are more successful when they can investigate patterns and relationships.

Help them make connections; the facts become less overwhelming and more meaningful (See Sum of 7). By grouping facts that have an equal **sum** together your child can investigate patterns in the problems. By finding patterns, your child will make connections to the facts. The same can be done with all **operations**.

Stress the importance of using relationships to solve facts.

One great strategy is Make a 10 (See Make a 10). This same strategy can help solve $127 + 36$ mentally (Think $130+33$).

We need to promote flexible thinking within our young learners. They often times learn rigid skills, like basic facts, and are left with very little understanding how to generate a solution if they fail to recall the skill.

Make a 10

$$7 + 6 =$$

Take 3 from 6 and give it to 7 to make 10.
That leaves 3 more from the 6.

$$10 + 3 = 13$$

Sum of 7

$$0+7$$

$$1+6$$

$$2+5$$

$$3+4$$

$$4+3$$

$$5+2$$

$$6+1$$

$$7+0$$

Repeated facts based on the commutative property

Math Vocabulary

Operation – in math operation refers to addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

Inverse – the opposite or reversed

Rote - memorization by repetition

Sum – answer to an addition problem

Difference – answer to a subtraction problem

Product – answer to a multiplication problem

Quotient – answer to a division Problem

Commutative Property – in addition and multiplication the numbers in the problem can be reversed and the answer will stay the same

PI = 3.14159265358979323846... (the decimal never repeats and never ends and is used to calculate circumference)

Health Room News

Mrs. Cremens, RN

This is to let you know about some of the changes in the Carroll County Public Schools regarding Head Lice. Based upon current recommendations from the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Center for Disease Control and the state and local health departments, CCPS will no longer follow a “no nit” policy when head lice are found.

Studies have found that exclusion from school for nits does not help prevent the spread of lice, and can have a detrimental effect on the student’s education. Students who show symptoms of head lice (extreme itching of the scalp, presence of nits, etc.) will be screened by the school nurse. **The following steps will be taken:**

If a lice infestation is found, you will be notified to pick up your child from school, and treat him/her with an appropriate shampoo to kill the head lice.

Once your child has been treated for head lice, they may return to school with proof of treatment (e.g. empty bottle or box from the treatment).

Your child will be checked by the nurse in 10-14 days to assure there are no signs of reinfestation.

As per CCPS policy WE ARE NO LONGER DOING CLASS/HOMEROOM SCREENING... The nurse will check close associates of the “source case” and notify other schools of any siblings, so they may be checked. If your child’s head is checked , a health slip will be sent home. Please continue to notify the school if you should discover your child has head lice, so that we can take steps to contain the spread. If you have any questions, please call the school.

Chorus Notes

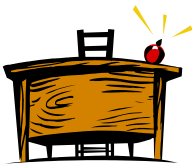
Mrs. Miller



The 5th Grade Winter Choral Concert is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 12th at 7 PM in the Winfield cafeteria. **Students should arrive at 6:40 PM and report to the music room.** Holiday clothing would be appropriate, but not necessary. Please adhere to CCPS dress code policy of no midriffs, no spaghetti straps - unless covered by a sweater/jacket. Boys should wear dress pants, a collared shirt with no writing or advertising on it - shirts should be neatly tucked in and a tie would be most appropriate and is strongly encouraged. Girls should wear dress pants, skirt or dress. Please, no heels taller than an inch. Just keep in mind that the students are the performers and they should be more dressed up than when they come to school or go to a sporting event.

As always I thank you for your help & support. Any questions, please contact me at: ljmille@carrollk12.org

Parent/Teacher Conferences



PARENT CONFERENCES WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 16TH FROM 4:15 - 8:00 PM. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO CALL THE OFFICE BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:30 A.M. AND 3:30 P.M. TO SCHEDULE YOUR CHILD’S CONFERENCE. WE HOPE THAT YOU CAN TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH YOUR CHILD’S TEACHER TO DISCUSS THEIR PROGRESS.

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK - November 13th - 19th

American Education Week is quickly approaching. As was noted in our October newsletter, rather than designating visitation days we welcome you to visit any day that your schedule permits throughout the school year. This will help alleviate some problems such as:

- Limited parking
- Children who become upset when large numbers of people visit their room
- Children being upset if their parent cannot attend on a designated day
- Parents needing to take off work on a day that may not work well for their schedule

We really want parents to visit but believe that a normal day of instruction gives a much better sense of what happens in the classroom daily. We do ask that you notify any teacher you would like to visit in advance to be sure there are not special programs or activities that will change the schedule. Also please remember that small children are not allowed to visit classrooms as they interfere with the normal classroom environment.

Winfield News!

INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURES

In the event that it becomes necessary to close schools for the entire day because of inclement weather (snow or heat), the announcement will be made no later than 6:30 a.m. through the following local media sources: WTTR, Channel 21 and Channel 3 (Westminster); WFMD (Frederick); WBAL, WPOC, WMIX, WMAR-TV, WJZ-TV, WBAL-TV; www.carrollk12.org and an AlertNow message will also be sent out. If weather conditions are such that the opening of schools might be delayed one (1) hour or more, or it becomes necessary to close all schools early, the notification will be made through the same stations as for the closing of schools.

A. School Opening One (1) Hour Late:

Students (K-5) should report to school between 9:45-10:15 a.m. Morning ESCN program will be cancelled. Afternoon ESCN program will run on a regular schedule.

B. School Opening Two (2) Hours Late:

Students (K-5) should report to school between 10:45-11:15. – Morning ESCN program will be cancelled. Afternoon ESCN program will run on a regular schedule.

C. School Closing One (1) Hour Earlier Than Usual:

Dismissal time (K-5) will begin at 2:45 p.m. Morning ESCN class will run on a regular schedule. Afternoon ESCN class is cancelled.

D. School Closing Two (2) Hours Earlier Than Usual:

Dismissal time (K-5) will begin at 1:45 p.m. Morning ESCN students will be transported home on their regular bus at 10 AM. Afternoon ESCN program canceled.

E. School Closing To Be Three (3) Hours Earlier Than Usual: Dismissal time (K-5) will begin at 12:45 p.m. ESCN students will be transported home on their regular bus at 10 AM. Afternoon ESCN class is cancelled.

F. Planned 2 Hours 45 minutes Early Dismissals:

Dismissal time (K-5) will begin at 1:00 p.m. ESCN program will be canceled.

System-wide Two-hour and Forty-five Minute Early Dismissals—If weather or another condition warrants a late opening on a day when a system-wide early dismissal for students is scheduled, Mr. Guthrie will close schools rather than bring students in on a delayed schedule and send them home on an early dismissal.

Elementary Students Two-hour and Forty-five Minute Early Dismissals—If weather, or another condition, warrants a late opening on days when an early dismissal is scheduled for elementary students, Mr. Guthrie will close schools **for elementary students only** rather than bring students in on a delayed schedule and send them home on an early dismissal. **Middle and High Schools will be open and operate on the announced delayed opening schedule**

**Full day programs include Grades K-5 and all full day Special Education Classes. Half day program includes ESCN..*

5th Grade Criteria for Presidential Award for Academic Excellence



Grade 5 students are eligible in either reading or math based on the following criteria: Grade 4 MSA ADVANCED in reading, 3.5 G.P.A. (ELA, math, science, social studies) for all of grade 4 and the first two marking periods of grade 5.

OR

Grade 4 MSA ADVANCED in mathematics, January grade 4, May grade 4, January grade 5 math benchmarks are 90% or higher, 3.5 G.P.A. (ELA, math, science, social studies) for all of grade 4 and the first two marking periods of grade 5.

COURAGEOUS PARENTING WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF TEENS AND TWEENS

Westminster – It's for Moms' and Dads' eyes only. The Marriage Resource Center (MRC) announces an interactive, three-part parenting workshop for parents of teens and tweens on Wednesdays, November 2, 9 and 16 from 7 – 8:30 p.m., at the Carroll NonProfit Center, 255 Clifton Boulevard, Westminster, 21157.

The classes will equip parents and guardians with creative strategies and relationship skills to be a Courageous Parent in the 21st Century. Topics that will be covered include: talking to your teens about sex and healthy relationships, teen brain research, personalities, understanding the influences of media and music, and more.

There is no fee for the classes but attendees must register in advance by calling MRC at 410-386-9003. Donations to defray the cost of the program will be accepted.

“Parenting workshops are a natural outgrowth of the WAIT Training (Why Am I Tempted?) relationship skills lessons taught in middle and high school health classes as well as several youth programs in the area,” according to Bill McKenna, a retired physical education and health teacher, and co-director of MRC.

“WAIT is an exciting, research-based program that has changed the lives of hundreds of youth in our community and parents have been asking for some time, ‘What do you have for us?’ We’re piloting this series as an attempt to serve these parents and also get some feedback on future programming,” said McKenna.

November’s classes are being taught by veteran Westminster High School health teacher, Kellie Hurst, who is a recent winner of The Simon McNealy Award for demonstrating outstanding teaching, service and innovations in the health field.

The WAIT Training curriculum is produced by The Center for Relationship Education (<http://www.myrelationshipcenter.org/>) in Denver, Co. For more information, or to request an interview about MRC programs and services, please call Amy Gilford at 410-386-9003 or email her at Amy@marriageresourceccc.org.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Carroll County Public Schools (CCPS) does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ancestry or national origin, religion, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities. The CCPS provides nondiscriminatory access to school facilities in accordance with its policies and regulations regarding the community use of schools (including, but not limited to, the Boy Scouts). The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:

Gregory J. Bricca
 Director of Research and Accountability
 125 North Court Street
 Westminster, Maryland 21157
 410.751.3068

PERMISSION TO PHOTOGRAPH, VIDEOTAPE OR AUDIOTAPE

Throughout the school year, the Carroll County Public School System frequently covers school activities and may use your child's photograph, video image, or voice for educational, informational, or public relations purposes, with or without identification by name.



If you do not wish to have your child's voice reproduced on tape or to have his/her image appear in such things as a video, a photograph, or the school website, please notify the school principal in writing. It is assumed that parents and guardians consent to their children being audiotaped, photographed, videotaped, or having their image placed on a school website unless such notification is received.

There are also occasions at which the media cover certain school events (such as when a government leader visits a school). If you do not wish to have your child's name or likeness published by the media, you should address your concerns directly to the school involved so that the media is so advised. Please be advised that the school system has no control over the media when they are covering activities such as sporting events and musical programs that are open to the public.

NOTICE OF ASBESTOS HAZARD EMERGENCY RESPONSE

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (A.H.E.R.A.) management plans for all buildings owned or leased by the Board of Education of Carroll County are available for review at the individual Carroll County school locations and at the Office of Plant Operations located at: 191 Schaeffer Avenue, Westminster, MD 21157. Management plans are required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and depict the location, amount, condition, and response action projected for any asbestos-containing materials, if any are located in the school building.

CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADA COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The Carroll County Public Schools (CCPS) does not discriminate on the basis of disability in employment or the provision of services, programs or activities. Persons needing auxiliary aids and services for communication should contact the Office of Community and Media Relations at 410-751-3020 or publicinfo@carrollk12.org, or write to Carroll County Public Schools, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157. Persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, may use Relay or 7-1-1. Please contact the school system at least one (1) week in advance of the date the special accommodation is needed.

Information concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act is available from the Director of Facilities or the Supervisor of Community and Media Relations.

Raymond Prokop
 Director of Facilities Relations
 125 North Court Street
 Westminster, Maryland 21157
 (410) 751-3177

Carey Gaddis
 Supervisor of Community & Media
 125 North Court Street
 Westminster, Maryland 21157
 (410) 751-3020

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING - NOVEMBER 9TH

The Board of Education of Carroll County will hold its' regular monthly Board meeting on November 9, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 007 of the Board of Education offices, located at 125 North Court Street, Westminster. The public is encouraged to attend.





Fall has arrived and it is chilly in the morning and then significantly warmer in the afternoon. Please remember to dress your child appropriately. Dress your child in layers so as the day gets warmer he or she can take off one layer of clothing. Some areas of the school are warmer than others, but it is a good idea to dress students in two layers like a shirt under a sweater or sweatshirt. It is also a good idea to label jackets and sweatshirts with your child's name.

Help your child learn respect for school by sending them to school dressed appropriately for learning. Clothing should not convey messages that express drug or alcohol use, hate, racial slurs, or sexual harassment. Students are not permitted to wear halter tops, half tops, spaghetti straps, see-through tops or shoes with spikes/cleats/wheels to school. Bedroom slippers are also not allowed. Requests for exceptions to the dress code for the purpose of school spirit by clubs or organizations is up to the discretion of the school administration. Also see the CCPS student handbook for policy and information about appropriate student attire. You can access the student handbook on the CCPS website.

Arrival and Dismissal Information:

Classroom instruction begins at 9:15a.m. with dismissal from the building at 3:45 p.m. Students may begin entering the building at 8:50 a.m. Please keep this in mind during inclement weather days.

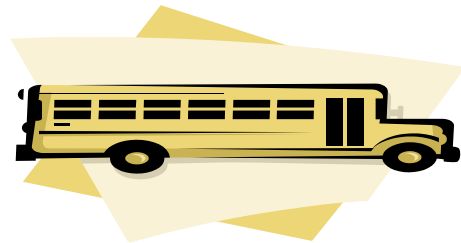
Dismissals will be reported on the students report card as a tardy. **PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT FOR YOUR CHILD TO RIDE THE BUS AND AVOID BEING LATE FOR SCHOOL!**

Parent Pick-Up:

If your child is going to be a Parent Pick Up, please send in a note on the day that they are going to be a parent pick up.

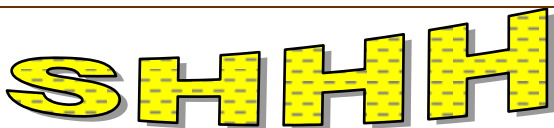
Late Arrivals and Early Dismissals:

Any student arriving to school at or after 9:15 **must report directly to the office and be accompanied by a parent or guardian to be signed in and to receive a "late" pass.** Students being dismissed prior to 3:45 pm must be signed out by a parent/guardian. The child will not be called to the office for dismissal until the parent/guardian arrives in the office. Late arrival and early dis-



Bullying or Intimidation Acts

CCPS will not tolerate any acts of discrimination, harassment, hazing, bullying, hostile acts or other forms of intimidation on the part of students or employees. The staff at Winfield believes that in order for children to be successful in their learning, they need to feel safe and comfortable in their environment. Consequently, staff members at school address bullying concerns immediately. If you feel that your child has been the victim of a bullying situation please ask your child if they told the adult in charge at the time. If you feel your child is unable or unwilling to advocate for himself/herself, please contact your child's teacher, staff member or a school administrator. Also if you feel your child could be a bully, please contact the school as well. Steps will be taken to resolve bullying issues immediately and to provide support for students involved.



Moment of Silence—Board Policy

It is the policy of the Board of Education of Carroll County that all schools are required to have a moment of silent meditation for approximately one minute each day. During this moment of silence, the CCPS shall neither advance nor inhibit silent religious activity.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and before the completion of the opening exercise, all students will observe approximately one minute of silence before continuing with the day's activities. In exercising his or her individual choice, each person may meditate, pray, or engage in any other silent activity, which does not interfere with, distract, or impede others in the like exercise of their individual choice.



Car Riders Concerns!

We have been experiencing some potentially dangerous situations with car riders. To ensure the safety of all students, please follow the procedures below in the drop-off/pick-up line:
Please travel clockwise around the loop.

Maintain a single line of vehicles

Do not pass other vehicles even if you have loaded/unloaded before the car ahead is finished

Keep handicap parking spaces unblocked

If possible, have your child load/unload on the driver side so they are not crossing in front of vehicles.

If the person picking up your child is unknown to staff, please have identification available

Complete dismissal procedures can be found on pages 7-8 of the Winfield Parent/Student Handbook. Thank you for your cooperation as we work together to keep all our students safe.



LOST & FOUND Is your child missing an article of clothing? A reminder to parents to please check the "rapidly growing" lost and found rack when you come to the school to volunteer or visit. The rack is located in the lobby area outside of the nurse's office.

Each year we donate a lot of lost clothing to charity. You can avoid your child's clothing ending up at a charity by clearly marking/labeling each item with his or her name.

Recycling

In an effort to raise money for our school we are asking that you please donate all empty/used inkjet and laser cartridges. Inkjet cartridges should be placed in a zip lock bag or wrapped in cellophane to prevent leakage.



Report Card Distribution

REPORT CARDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH. THIS IS A TIME TO SIT DOWN, REVIEW THE REPORT CARD WITH YOUR CHILD, CELEBRATE AND SET GOALS FOR THE NEXT MARKING PERIOD.



2012-2013

Next year, 2012-2013, Winfield Elementary School's hours will change. Our official school day will be from 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Schedules have been adjusted county wide as a result of efficiency studies. An FAQ sheet is available on the CCPS website to answer many questions families may have about changes in school times. The link for is www.carrollk12.org/Assets/file/CCPS%20News/FinalFAQfornewschooltimes092211.pdf.



Holiday Fire Safety Open House

Sunday, November 13, 2011

Noon - 3:00 p.m.

FREE EVENT - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Visit www.WINFIELDVFD.ORG

Call Debbie at 410-795-1333 x-336 or fireprevention@winfieldvfd.org for more information

Various fire equipment and County and State organizations will be attending.

MDCHIP CHILD ID PROGRAM will also be on hand for digital photographs, digital fingerprints, child information and contact information and will give each child two laminated ID cards. The MDCHIP PROGRAM is being sponsored by PRUDENCE Lodge #190.

Winfield Fire Prevention Poster Award Winners

Kindergarrten

- 1st - Avaris Hackley
- 2nd - Scarlet McClelland
- 3rd - Payaam Mehrabani

2nd Grade

- 1st - Zane Stull
- 2nd - Lacey Dustin
- 3rd - Tyler Nail

4th Grade

- 1st - Rachel Tackett
- 2nd - Rachel Linn
- 3rd - Molly Wilder

1st Grade

- 1st - Blake Ruckel
- 2nd - Micah Mulhern
- 3rd - Emily Beall-Dennell

3rd Grade

- 1st - Vasili Psaromatis
- 2nd - Christina D'Amato
- 3rd - Zelda Hirsch




5th Grade

- 1st - Kayla Cox (Grand Prize Winner)**
- 2nd - Shannon Finch
- 3rd - Hannah Herche



The awards ceremony will take place on Sunday, November 13, 2011, at the Winfield Volunteer Fire Department at 2pm in the meeting room. Anyone not present to receive their their award will receive their ribbon at school the following week. Hope to see you at the open house on 11/13/11 from 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
		1	2	3 1:00 pm - Early Dismissal Market Day Internet orders due Orders Due End of 1st Marking Period	4 Spirit Day - Fall Harvest Wear Second Marking Period Begins	5
6 Standard Time Begins – set back your clocks! 	7	8	9 4:00 - Market Day Pick Up 5:00 - Board of Education Meeting Report Cards	10	11 Veterans Day 	12
13 American Education Week  5th Grade Flea Market	14  1:00 pm - Early Dismissal School Psychology Awareness Week	15	16 4:15 - Parent Conferences 6:30 - Volunteer Training	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24  Schools Closed Thanksgiving Holiday	25	26
27	28 School Re-opens	29	30			

December 2011

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					Spirit Day - Tropical Day 	
4	5 National Inclusive Schools Week	6	7 4:00 - Market Day Pick Up 7:00—PTA Meeting Pearl Harbor Day	8	9 1:00 pm - Early Dismissal – Elementary Only 6:00 - Holiday Shop	10 10:00 - Holiday Shop
11	12 Interims 7:00—4th/5th Grade Chorus Concert	13	14 5:00 - Board of Education Meeting	15	16 	17
18	19	20	21 Hanukkah	22 First Day of Winter	23 1:00 pm - Early Dismissal	24
25 Christmas	26 Kwanzaa	27	28	29	30	31

Schools Closed - Winter Holiday

DEADLINE: January 3, 2012

Nominations received after 5:00 PM will not be accepted. Nominations forms must be received in the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce office (not just postmarked).

Mail Nominations forms to:
Carroll County Chamber of Commerce
Attn: CTA
P.O. Box 871 • Westminster, MD 21156
FAX: 410-876-1023
Online: www.carrollcountychamber.org Outstanding Teacher

Guidelines

Eligibility: Any full-time teacher in the Carroll County Public School System may be nominated.

Criteria: Teachers will be judged on the degree to which the candidate exhibits qualities of excellence.

Process: Step 1 — Teacher is nominated.

Step 2: — Each teacher identified of the nomination and is asked to complete a biographical form. Any teacher not completing the biographical form will not be considered for an award or recognized as an Outstanding Teacher.

Step 3: — Judges review the Nomination Form & Biographical Form and select eight winners for the Chamber's Outstanding Teacher Award.

NOTE: The Chamber follows the MD Teacher of the Year guidelines so that the candidates are eligible for MD Teacher of the Year.

REQUIRED QUESTIONS

On a separate piece of paper please respond to the following three questions.

1. Give specific examples of how this teacher inspires students to learn.
2. Give specific examples of how this teacher builds confidence and self-esteem.
3. Give specific examples of the ways that this teacher helps students apply what they have learned to real world situations.

Please refer to make additional answers.

Answer the questions fully but please limit your response to fit on one page. Your answers are used by the judges to determine the winners. Please print or type.

2012 Carroll County Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Teacher Awards Nomination Form



Teacher Information (Please print clearly) (* Required field: incomplete forms will not be accepted)

Teacher's Name: First _____ M _____ Last _____

Nominee is a FULL-TIME TEACHER: Elementary School Middle School High School
Career & Technology Special Education Counselor Media Specialist

Teacher's School: _____

School Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Nominator Information (Please print clearly) (* Required field: incomplete forms will not be accepted)
 My name may be released to the teacher (we nominal if requested, otherwise nominations are confidential).

Nominator Name: First _____ MI _____ Last _____

Nominator is: Parent of a student Student Teacher School Administrator

Nominator's Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

***A RESPONSE TO THE THREE QUESTIONS ON THE LEFT IS REQUIRED, AND USED BY THE JUDGES TO DETERMINE THE AWARD WINNERS**

Submit nominations online Nov 1—Jan 3
Visit the Chamber website at www.carrollcountychamber.org **Nominate early!**
Heavy use of the online site may interfere your nomination being received.

Nominations close on Jan. 3, 2012 at 5:00 PM
Mail to: Carroll Co. Chamber of Commerce 9 E. Main Street, Westminster, MD 21157