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Superintendent Information

Superintendent's **Video** Update – 5/24/2023 Superintendent Update – 6/1/2023 Strategic District Improvement Plan



School Committee Information

The <u>School Committee</u> welcomes parents and community members to attend School Committee meetings held on alternate Monday evenings at 7:00, unless otherwise posted. Please refer to a meeting's agendas and supporting documents via the town's Document Management System

Upcoming Events...



Used Book Sale at the JV Fletcher Library

The Friends of the JV Fletcher Library will hold a Book Sale on <u>June 9</u>, <u>10</u> and <u>11</u> in the library's Meeting Room, 50 Main Street, Westford. <u>Friday June 9</u> is a Friends Members Only preview sale, from <u>6:30 to 9:00 p.m</u>. Memberships are available at the door. Saturday <u>June 10</u> is the Public Sale, from <u>10 a.m. to 5 p.m.</u> Most items are \$1 or \$2. <u>Sunday June 11</u> is a Bag Sale, from 2 to 4 p.m. Attendees must purchase a reusable bag for \$10 to enter, and can then fill it with items. (Scanners may not be used on Friday, June 9th, but are welcome on Saturday and Sunday.) The sale will include thousands of gently used books plus CDs, audio books, blu-ray discs, and DVDs. We accept credit card payments in addition to checks and cash.

The ELPAC (English Learner Parent Advisory Council) will be holding its last meeting of the year on **Tuesday, June 13th** at **6:30PM**. Join on Google Meet to learn more about understanding the ACCESS test score report and have an opportunity to ask questions about your child's transition to the next grade level. All caregivers of students either currently or previously enrolled in the ELL program are welcome and encouraged to attend. Contact Amy Bailey (abailey@westfordk12.us) with any questions. Click HERE for the flyer and Meeting Link.



Westford Strawberries 'N Art Festival - Volunteers Needed

Want to be part of a great town event? We are looking for a few more community helpers to help on **Saturday, June 17**th from **10-3** on Westford Common. The 47th Annual Westford Strawberries 'N Arts Festival is sponsored by First Parish Church United. Volunteer positions take no more than 2-3 hours, instructions will be provided, and community service forms are available upon request. To sign up, please visit www.thestrawberryfestival.org and click on "Volunteers" (please be sure to list your school affiliation in the comments when signing up). For further information, please reach out to Jess Anderson at chair@thestrawberryfestival.org. Meanwhile, think warm and sunny thoughts for June 17th, and thank you!



As the school year comes to a close be sure to thank your teachers, school staff and coaches! Please consider sending a **WEF** note to your favorite teacher, counselor, teacher's aide, school nurse, office staff member, or principal. It's a perfect way to say thank you and support innovation at Westford Public Schools at the same time! Money generated from these notes will be used to fund grants for WPS. Just make a tax-deductible donation (minimum of \$10 per honoree) to **Westford Education Foundation** and we will send your honoree an email from WEF with a personalized note. The email will state your name and your note, but will not disclose the amount of your gift. This recognition makes a great end-of-year gesture!

Note: Donations made to WEF in honor of WPS staff members comply with the state ethical regulations for gift-giving and acceptance.

Westford Education Foundation is an independent, non-profit organization that promotes excellence in education. We fund grants to teachers, staff, and the community for innovative educational initiatives, professional development, and life-long learning ventures. Please click here to donate today! https://www.westford.org/wef/endofyearthankyou/



Public Healt Westford Health Department - Hands Only CPR Class (ages 10-17)

The Westford Health Department is offering a class teaching life saving CPR skills on **August 25th from 10:00 to 11:30 AM**. Please see this <u>flier</u> for more information.



JV Fletcher Library Summer Reading Program

Sign ups are open!

For kids ages 0 up to going into grade 4: https://westfordlibrary.org/kids/summer-reading-program/ For kids going into grade 5 and up: https://westfordlibrary.org/teens/summer-reading-program/



WA Athletic Boosters Fundraiser: Enjoy dinner & support our organization

4 Weeks of WECO - SIGN UP TO GET THE MENU: bit.lv/westford-athletic-boosters Sunday - Friday, June 4th - June 30th

WECO's gourmet chefs make delicious dinners from scratch, using high-quality ingredients, and hand deliver them to your door daily. There are a variety of apps, mains, drink mixes, desserts, and kids' favorites. A menu comes to your inbox each Wednesday. Dinners sell out fast! No subscription, no minimums. WECO will donate 10% of your dinner bill to support the Westford Academy Athletic Boosters. **ORDER ON: Wednesdays, starting on May 31st**



Westford Academy Swim and Dive team fundraiser car washes

The Westford Academy Swim and Dive team will be hosting three car wash fundraisers over the next few months. The car washes will be held at the Alltown gas station – 185 Littleton Road in Westford. The first car wash will be on **Sunday, June 11th** from 9am-1pm. We will be charging \$5 per car wash but tips/donations are always accepted. We hope to see you there and appreciate your support of WA Swim and Dive!



WA Girls' Basketball Summer Clinics

The WA Girls' Basketball program is running two clinics this summer for Westford basketball players at Westford Academy. There will be a clinic from **June 26-29th**, and another one from **July 10-12th**. These clinics are for girls entering grades 2 through 9 and will be run by WA Girls' Varsity Coach Russ Coward, Stonehill College NCAA D1 player and WA grad Emily Bramanti, and Bowdoin College NCAA D3 player and WA grad Carly Davey. Please check out the team website at https://wagb.webnode.page/ or email Coach Russ Coward at recoward@westfordk12.us with any questions. These are fundraisers for the WA Girls' Basketball program. Thank you very much for your support!



2023 Knights Football and Cheer Registrations - Register Today!

- Cheer Grades K-8
- Flex Football Grades K-3. A light, limited-contact game, bridging the gap between flag football and tackle football
- Tackle Football Grades 4-8

The Knights are offering a Football and Cheer Day Skills Clinic on <u>June 10 from 4 pm - 6 pm</u>. Details are available on the website. Visit our website for additional information: https://www.wabknights.com/



Westford Recreation

Rec's WPC After School Enrichment: Grades K-5, **through June 22**. Westford Partnership for Children (WPC) After School programs are located at Abbot, Crisafulli, Day, Miller, Nabnasset, and Robinson schools, M-F, from school dismissal to 5:45 p.m. Flexible scheduling options. About WPC - westfordrec.com.

Westford Rec Highlights

For Youth: Knucklebones Ninjas and Lil' Ninjas; Fast Skills Football, Flag Football, Speed & Agility, Nitehawks Track & Field, PLUS Swimming Instruction! For Adults: CPR, Pickleball, Tennis, and more BollyX Dance! Programs - westfordrec.com.

Rec's Summer Weekly Programs: Seven Weeks of Fun

The following weekly programs offer flexible full-week, early arrival and extended day options. Kids Club at the Nab: Fast-Paced, fun-filled activities, both inside and outdoors. Ages 4-13.

Destination Exploration at EBC: Classic summertime activities, classic summertime setting. Ages 7-13.

Summer Beach Party at D.E. Program coverage just when you need it – August 14 -18.

Summer Weekly Programs - westfordrec.com

Westford Recreation Site Director position available

Help lead our popular afterschool and summer programs. Part-time school-year hours plus summertime hours too! Excellent benefits. Click here to learn more

ARPA Financial Assistance

Learn more about ARPA funding for Recreation's 2023 Summer Kids Club and 2023-24 WPC Afterschool Program. Eligibility is income and Westford residency based. For any questions, please email bnash@westfordma.gov or call Brittany Nash at (978) 399-2564.



Intercultural Host an International Exchange Student

Open your home to a high school exchange student. AFS-USA is seeking host families for the 2023-2024 school year. AFS exchange students hosted by Westford families will enroll as full-time students at Westford Academy, where they will enjoy a rich academic and extracurricular experience. Since 1975, WA has hosted over 200 international exchange students from over 40 countries across the globe. Make a difference by hosting an exchange student this year!

For 75 years, AFS-USA has been empowering young people from all backgrounds through intercultural student exchange programs. Students come from 120+ countries, some receiving full, merit-based scholarships sponsored by the U.S. State Department. Volunteers and host families throughout the U.S make these programs a reality and #PassPeaceForward by building bridges across cultures.

There are also opportunities for U.S high school students to study abroad! AFS programs are a great way to create positive change in the world. To learn more, you can visit <u>afsusa.org</u>, or contact local AFS volunteers Ashlee Santerre at <u>ashlee.santerre@gmail.com</u> or Cathy Stewart at stewart.cathyj@icloud.com



Do you need help determining what can and can't go into your curbside recycling bin? Check out https://recyclesmartma.org/. This website provides many resources and answers many questions. It is managed by Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and applies to most communities in MA. This is where the Westford Recycling Commission goes for answers! The guides are provided in several languages as well:

Smart Recycling Guide Your go-to reference for recycling in Massachusetts
Guía de Reciclaje Inteligente Su referencia para el reciclaje en Massachusetts
Guia de Reciclagem Inteligente Sua referência para reciclagem em Massachusetts
Smart Recycling Guide Mandarin Chinese 明智的回收指南

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