

January 17, 2020

Brrrr . . . winter has arrived full force. Generally, students will be allowed outside for recess when the temperature combined with the wind chill is above 20 degrees Fahrenheit. Please remind your student(s) that they should wear winter coats to school, but they need to be kept in their locker while in class.

In addition, if your student brings a cell phone to school, please take a few minutes to refresh the WLMS Student Cell Phone Expectations:

- **Students are required to put their cell phones in their locker during class time.** Students may use their cell phones and electronic devices during lunch and recess, but use is not permitted in hallways at any time.
- Students may listen to music using one earbud during lunch and recess (but not in the hallways); only one earbud/headphone (not two) is permitted during lunch/recess for safety reasons.
- Students are not allowed at any time to videotape, audiotape or take photographs during the school day, including during the bus ride to and from school.
- **Students who fail to adhere to this policy may have their property confiscated. Such property will not be returned to students, and will only be returned to a parent or guardian during regular office hours.**
- Wilde Lake is not responsible for lost, stolen, or broken property.

January 24 is the end of the second marking period. Please check Canvas to see if there are any outstanding assignments. Remember too, even though we no longer have pre-set parent/teacher conferences in February for students in middle school, you are welcome to contact the teacher or the Student Services Office and request a conference if you have a concern.

Important Upcoming Dates:

Jan. 20 – MLK Holiday – Schools and Offices Closed
Jan. 22 – Performing Arts Booster Meeting
Jan. 24 – End of 2nd Marking Period
Jan. 27 – Professional Work Day – No school for Students
Jan. 30 – String Fling at WLHS 7:00 pm
Jan. 31 – Spirit Day – Twin Day
Feb. 3 – 2nd Quarter Report Cards Issued
Feb. 4 – Schools & Offices Closed – Special Election Day

On Wednesday, January 22, the Performing Arts Boosters will hold a meeting in the Media Center from 7-8pm. We hope you can join us.

In case you missed it:

Looking ahead to summer vacation? WLMS is the host building for the GT Summer Institute Program. This enrichment program is not just for GT students and is open to all students in the county so the

spots fill up quick. Scholarships are available, so please check out the link. If you have questions about this or other Summer Programs, check out their webpage (<https://www.hcpss.org/summer-programs/>) .

Please visit the **Community News and Programs** page at <https://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/> for announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.