

June 7, 2019

Greetings WLMS!

I begin my notes this week by asking for you to “Get the Word Out” about our PTSA’s need to fill vital leadership roles in order to operate at a high and productive level next school year. As I shared at Thursday’s volunteer breakfast, “A good school like WLMS does not happen by chance! It occurs because of strong home school partnerships and faithful volunteers like you who are consistently present, involved, reliable, generous, and positive.”

The following letter from our PTSA Nominating Committee has been sent out to the community multiple times in the past two weeks. **Would you consider stepping into one of the vacant positions or do you know someone who would be interested?**

As of the June 1, 2019 deadline for presenting the election candidate slate, the WLMS PTSA nominating committee places the following names in nomination:

*For the office of President: **No candidate***

*For the office of Vice President: **No candidate***

*For the office of Secretary: **No candidate***

*For the office of Treasurer: **No candidate***

For the position of PTACHC Delegate #1: Megan Rivera

*For the position of PTACHC Delegate #2: **No candidate***

Elections will be held during the WLMS PTSA meeting on June 11, 2019 at 7:30pm.

The nominating committee will continue to collect information from interested persons through the WLMS PTSA 2019-2020 Interest Form at the link below to assist in filling vacant positions. However, anyone interested in an elected position named above shall be advised that they will need to attend the meeting to nominate themselves, or arrange to be nominated by another member. PLEASE consider sharing your leadership skills.

Interest Form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScoFXiv49ERYNR-f1orRIDZjbgKqXaDqumivjtFXKTjOOPoBg/viewform>

Thank you,

Jenn Molinari

Shakespeare Theatre Shout-Outs!

Students were phenomenal in all three of last weekend’s WLMS Tiger Shark Theatre Company performances of “The Tragedy of Julius Caesar”! This production took our renowned theatre company to a new level way past that of middle school students. Thank you to the **many WLMS parents, staff and students** who came out to support the performances. And, thank you to our **WLMS Performing Arts Boosters** for your strong presence and sponsorship!

Thanks to **Mr. Kirsten and Ms. Nibber**, Directors of the WLMS Tiger Shark Theatre, we now have an official honor society for theatre arts students. Students who meet the criteria of sufficient quantity and quality of work will be recognized as a “Junior Thespian” and be part of The International Thespian Society. A few students were inducted on Friday evening. **7th graders, Hallie Getty and Rajah**

Williams will be the president and vice president next school year. A group of 8th graders will be inducted during the 8th grade farewell ceremony.

<https://www.schooltheatre.org/membership/studentmemberships/jrthespianmembership>

From Mr. Spicher, GT Resource Teacher:

Each year, HCPSS solicits student writings and photographs to be included in their yearly magazine entitled Our Voice. This year, five WLMS students were chosen for publication. Each will receive a copy of the magazine as well as a certificate of appreciation.

The Literary pieces were chosen from submissions from the CEU (Continuing Education Unit) called Writer's Guild that is facilitated by Ms. Essien (7th grade ELA teacher) and Mr. Spicher (GT Resource teacher). The students in this CEU are 7th or 8th graders and must be recommended by their ELA teacher.

The photographic entries were created by students in the Photojournalism seminar that is facilitated by Mr. Spicher.

This year, literary pieces submitted by **Abisola Ayoola, and Maria Betz, Keagan Jones** were selected for publication. Photographs submitted by **Kennedy Day and Salma Hassanein** were also selected for publication.

Congratulations to all!

Anne Swartz, Denise Young, James McVey

Upcoming Dates:

- June 10 – 8th grade Harbor Cruise
- June 11 – PTSA Meeting 7:00pm
- June 13 – GOTCHA Store
- June 19, 20, 21 – 3 hour Early Dismissal
- June 19 – 6:00pm 8th grade Farewell Celebration @ WLHS
- June 20 – Field/Activity Day
- June 21 – Last Day of School
- June 25 – Report Cards will be mailed home
- Aug 29 – New Student to WLMS Orientation
- Sept 12 – Back to School Night

Lost and Found

Please stop by the school and check out the lost and found. We have racks of clothes and tables full of items that students have left. If items are not picked up, they will be bagged up and donated after the last day of school.

Yearbooks

Yearbooks are now on sale! Now is your chance to capture the memories of the 2018-2019 school year. Yearbooks cost \$20 and can be paid online via the school website (Click on the

online payments link.) Or, you can submit cash/check payable to WLMS. Bring to the front office. The deadline for orders and payment is Friday, June 14th.

Wilde Lake High School Information

Attention students going to Wilde Lake High School. Auditions for the WL dance department will be held: **Wednesday June 12th at 3:30 in room #171**, at Wilde Lake High School. Christine Estabrook, Dance Instructor

Attention students going to Wilde Lake High – Are you interested in Football???? An information session will be held on Wednesday, June 12th at 6:00pm in the cafeteria. See the attached flier for more details.

Howard County Public School System is offering **free summer lunch** meals to students. See the attached fliers for locations and details. The meals will be offered June 25 – August 16 from 1-2 pm.

In Case You Missed It:

Health Room End of Year Reminders....

- If your student has medication in the health room for this current school year you will be receiving an envelope containing blank order form(s) for next school year if you plan on your child continuing to need medication for the 2019 – 2020 school year. Please be sure all portions of the form are completed and dated **on or after July 1, 2019!** You can also find blank HCPSS medication administration forms on the HCPSS website under Support services/Health Services.

Also coming home is a permission slip allowing the Health Room to send medications home with your student on the last day of school (this can **not** be offered for any controlled medications). Please complete the bright green form indicating if you plan to pick up your child's medication or if you would like it sent home on your child's last day of school and the date of that anticipated last day if it is different from the scheduled last day of June 21st.

- Summer School! If your child is attending any of the 2019 Summer School programs please know that if they currently have medications here in the health room it is the parents responsibility to make sure the doctors orders include summer school and to bring their medication to the summer school site. If you are unsure, please give us a call.
- ALL 6th grade parents.... If your student is not in compliance (has not received the Meningitis and/or Tdap vaccine – state of MD requirement) you will be receiving a reminder along with your child's final report card. Please follow instructions on the reminder so your student can start 7th grade on the first day.

Thank you and do not hesitate to contact the WLMS Health Room at 410-313-8940 or 410-313-6957. You may also email the school nurse at Annette_grzybinski@hcpss.org

Community News:

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.
