

April 8, 2022

Happy Friday West Sylan Middle School Families,

There is no school for our scholars today, Friday, April 8, while our educators work on quarter grades and plan for the upcoming quarter. We hope that you enjoy the three-day weekend together. Any classes that are quarter-long electives will change on Monday, April 11 for the final nine weeks of the 2021-22 school year.

Forecasting for elective classes ends TODAY, April 8th. Our Counselors have visited all of our feeder schools to explain Middle School and talk about the electives. Please click [here](#) to view the full message that was sent previously. We are adding one new elective, Arabic, for a high school credit world language option for 22-23. If your scholar previously selected another world language and would like to switch to Arabic, please send the request [here](#).

Please access the comprehensive information on the West Sylan [website](#) under the “Forecasting 2022-23” tab (next to Quick Links).

For 8th Grade Families:

DLI Students: Assessment for High School Credit: Find more information [here](#) about STAMP 4S exam for high school credit by proficiency

8th Grade Oaks Park Trip (rides) on Wednesday, June 8th, chaperoned by educators and administrators. Scholars who choose to attend will bus to Oaks Park from campus and return by dismissal. Scholars will need to be in good standing (no suspensions, referrals to administrators, patterns of unexcused absences, etc) to attend. This is a fun privilege, not an automatic right.

8th Grade Promotion is at Lincoln High School on Thursday, June 9th at 6 p.m. so that you can start planning ahead. Each scholar will have **four** guest tickets for family members. More information will be shared as we get closer to the date.

WSMS Foundation Oaks Park Event for 8th graders: This will be an optional evening event for our 8th graders hosted by our WSMS Foundation at Oaks Park on Friday, June 10th. Families will have to self-transport for this event, as it is a Foundation-sponsored event. More information will be sent in the coming months for those who want to participate.

Yearbook sales have ended. There are no additional yearbook

End of 3rd Quarter / Educator Planning/Grading Day: Friday, April 8th - No School for Scholars, campus closed

4th Quarter Begins: Monday, April 11th *some electives will change, if they are quarter-long electives from our elective wheel

Panoramic Picture for 8th Graders: April 12th during 7th period (outdoors and unmasked for those who choose to participate)

6th Grade Outdoor School: May 16-17th off campus *day* camps, returning at 6:30 p.m.

7th Grade WSMS Foundation Sponsored Event: June 3rd WSMS Gym (6:30-8:30 p.m.)

8th Grade Field Trip to Oaks Park: Wednesday, June 8th (during school hours)

8th Grade Promotion: Thursday, June 9th 6 p.m. at Lincoln HS

8th Grade WSMS Foundation Sponsored Oaks Park Party: June 10th (evening)

Resources for Family Extended Learning and Activities:

Sign your scholars up for spring athletics! <https://www.pilathletics.com/>

VIBE of Portland [Art Camps, Classes, No-School Workshops](#)

VIBE of Portland [East Winds Summer Camp](#)

OSU [Summer Reading Program](#)

Through the American Councils for International Education, WSMS has been awarded a grant for a fully-funded educator to join our team to teach Arabic for up to 20 hours a week as an additional World Language option for the 22-23 school year. We are looking for a family willing to host the educator, who is coming from Egypt, and will be joining the WSMS team. Through American Councils, the educator is given a living stipend to pay for living accommodations, if hosted by a private family. There would be two needs:

1. A host family to provide a comfortable space for the educator to stay for the first two weeks upon

For information on your student's immunization records, please contact the school. The state allows medical or nonmedical exemptions from immunizations; learn more at the [Oregon Health Authority website](#).

COVID-19 Updates:

There was one COVID-19 case reported this week.

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