

Announcements

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

GENERAL:

- Textbook returns: turn them in at the office of your home building.
- Textbook pick up: With your schedule and your school I.D., you may check out textbooks from the bookrooms:
 - Wednesday, March 10: 11:05 – 3:15
 - Thursday, March 11: 10:30 – 3:15
 - Friday, March 12: 7:15 – 3:15

CLUBS, CLASSES, COMMITTEES, AND ORGANIZATIONS:

- Attention skiers and snowboarders! Sign up for this week's ski trip. The cost for the bus is \$7 and can be paid in either the north guidance office or the south reception desk. Remember that only the first 15 to sign up and pay are guaranteed a spot on the bus. The remainder go on a wait list. Listen for an announcement Thursday after lunch for the confirmation of the trip for the week and for the status of those students on the wait list. You can still order a ski club card and join the club. See your building receptionist for an application. All new cards will be made during our next trip to Bittersweet. If you already ordered a card and did not pick up it before break, see Mrs. Bloemers at the north reception desk. Please see Mr. Spreitzer if you have any questions.
- Please join us for the opening reception & awards presentation at the Holland Area Arts Council Annual High School Juried Art Competition: **"Début 2010" Thursday, March 11th from 6-8 p.m.** Awards will be presented at 7:00 P.M. Also that same night in the upstairs gallery, is the opening reception for the **"Full Circle"** which celebrates our up and coming elementary artist of West Ottawa.
- Calling all Dads, brothers, uncles and grandfathers! Registration for 2010 West Ottawa All-Male Choir: email piersonp@westottawa.net or call 738-6865 for registration info.
- It's that time of year again when the libraries look at their magazine lists and decide what to order for next year! If you have a title you'd like us to consider, please let us know.
- Beginning Monday, March 8, the first day of the third tri-mester, any student with an overdue library item will not be able to check out a North Library laptop. Please check around your home, locker, back pack and car and return all library materials you are finished using. If you need more time, materials can be renewed.
- Any student interested in volunteering to run a game for Lakeshore Elementary's Spring Carnival on Friday, March 12, please contact Mrs. Howard in room A138 North, call x5111, or email her as soon as possible.
- Did you know...
 - Over three hundred million printer cartridges are thrown in the trash each year
 - One laser cartridge can take over 450 years to begin to decompose 3 ¼ quarts of oil are used for every laser cartridge produced
 - Almost 8 cartridges are thrown away per second in the US alone

Of course, none of this is good for the environment. But, West Ottawa Schools is doing something about it through our partnership with a local company, Cartridge World of West Michigan and PATS, our parent volunteer group. Here's how you can help:

1. Take your empty cartridge to Cartridge World located in Riley Plaza (near McDonald's) to be recycled. Mention that you'd like PATS to get the credit for it. Then purchase a refilled cartridge instead of a new one—you'll save 50% by buying a refilled cartridge instead of a new one. Cartridge World donates money back to West Ottawa PATS for every cartridge purchased, too.

2. Or bring your empty cartridges to school and take them to the receptionist desk at either the north or south building.

That's it—the cartridges get reused and PATS gets money to spend on computers for disadvantaged students and Jungle scholarships. And you'll have helped keep our world a little greener.

- **MME Testing/ CTC students:**

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- **A.M.** CTC Juniors and **testing** Seniors will not go to CTC. After testing is completed, students will remain at the high school for the remainder of the day. Non -testing CTC Seniors will have a regular CTC schedule. Students will be dropped off at the **North** Building only, at mid- day.
- **P.M.** CTC Juniors and **testing** Seniors will go their Seminar B in the morning for testing. Students will then have A lunch and go to the CTC at the usual time.

Thursday, March 11, 2010:

- **No A.M.** CTC for Juniors and **testing** Seniors. After testing, students will attend their 3rd hour as usual. After 3rd hour, students may sign in at the library for the remainder of the day or have parents excuse them as usual through the office. Non-testing CTC Seniors will have a regular CTC schedule, return to WOHS and go to their 3rd hour class. After 3rd hour, students may sign in at the library for the remainder of the day or have parents excuse them as usual through the office.
- **No P.M.** Tech Center. Students must stay at WOHS for their 1st, 2nd and 3rd hour classes.

GUIDANCE OFFICE:

- Seniors - An updated Hot Scholarship is now available in the guidance office. Stop in to get information on great opportunities to earn scholarship money for college.
- The Holland Hospital Nursing Scholarship is now available in the Guidance office. It is due March 17. This is a potential \$5000 award so we encourage students to apply. Application is available at the north or south Guidance Office.
- University of Michigan offers a summer Nursing Camp July 11-23. See your counselor if you are interested in applying and if you qualify for this tuition free experience in the field of nursing.
- Attention - If you are a young woman interested in learning more about engineering, the University of Michigan is hosting a Summer Engineering Exploration Camp from July 18 to July 24. Applications must be postmarked by Friday, March 26. See Mr. Veldkamp in South or Mrs. Kiekintveld in North for more information.

ATHLETICS:

- Softball try outs for all 9-12th grade girls begin Monday, March 15. On Monday tryouts are from 3-6 in the aux gym. On Tuesday from 6-9 in the aux gym. On Wednesday from 3-6 in aux gym followed by player meetings. Thursday, March 18 meet from 6 -9 in the aux gym, and then on Friday from 3-5 on the track. Please make sure you have a physical on file in the athletic office in order to try out. Bring sweatpants and sweatshirt for sliding each day. Contact Coach Cleeman at 748-1616 with questions or email her at sleeman@chartermi.net
- Coach Becker would like to see all boys interested in playing JV Lacrosse this season at 3 pm on Wednesday, March 10th for a very brief meeting in Coach Vredevoogd's room - B117. This should include all 9th and 10th grade boys, along with any beginner 11th or 12th grade athletes.
- **WO Girls' Lacrosse "Try-it-Out" Week: Janelle Miles, Head Coach, milesj@westottawa.net**
 - **Monday March 15th: Meet Returning Players and Coach/Introductions to LAX 3-5pm**
 - **Tuesday March 16th: DO NOT MEET**
 - **Wednesday March 17th: Ability/ Skills 7-9pm**
 - **Thursday March 18th: Commitments 3-5pm**
 - **Friday March 19th: Regular Practice 7-9pm**
 - **Place: South High School Gym**
- Guys interested in playing golf this spring need to get a physical on file in the AD's Office, pick up meeting information from Coach Cutter in room 208 of the South building, and be at the first mandatory meeting on March 15th at 3:00 in room 208 of the South building.