

Bunker Hill Middle School

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"Carrying on a Proud Tradition of Learning"

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Dear Parents and Families,

We want to wish all Bulldog students and families a safe and healthy summer. We are so proud of our students, especially the 8th graders who have worked hard and are poised to go on to do great things. Best of luck always. Parents, throughout the summer, please check the website, twitter, and remind frequently as we will be sending updates.

Calendar of Events:

Monthly Calendar

Principal's Video Message

Principal's Update June 9, 2019

Notable Events. If the activity is underlined & in a different color, please click to obtain more specific information.

Mon	June 10	Early Dismissal at 12:25pm NO LUNCH SERVED
		 3rd and 4th period Exams
Tues	June 11	Early Dismissal at 12:25pm NO LUNCH SERVED
		 5th and 6th period Exams
Wed	June 12	Early Dismissal at 12:25pm NO LUNCH SERVED
		• 7 th and 8th period Exams
		 6th Grade Activity Day/6th graders get yearbooks
Wed	June 12,	Field Hockey Interest Meeting for Students Going into 6 th -8 th grades. The
	6pm	meeting will be held in the 11/12 gym at WTHS`
Thurs	June 13	Last Day of School
		 8th Grade Recognition Ceremony and Activity

National School Folders

For the 2019-20 school year, we are partnering with National School Folders to provide sturdy folders to students in the middle school. These students will be similar to the ones in the elementary school where there is organizational support. These are proven to be stronger than regular and laminated folders. However, in order to fund these folders we're seeking the support of businesses. Please see the link below to help us in this endeavor.

School Folder Information

Information for incoming 6th Grade Families.

We will try to provide important links to help with transitional information. We're very excited to welcome our youngest Bulldogs. We will continue to provide links so that you are up to speed on 6th grade/Bunker Hill information.

5th to 6th Grade Summer Transition Information

8th Grade Recognition Ceremony...6/13

8th Graders will have time to end the year with their friends during an in school ceremony in the cafeteria. We will honor 8th graders...Hear speeches and musical performances and celebrate their three year journey. Students will then go back into classrooms, receive departmental and class awards, then return to the cafeteria for a good-bye social as a whole class. This is in line with what was done in the past to honor 8th graders and consistent with all schools at the middle level. This event is for the students in 8th grade only and is not a "graduation". More importantly and even more significant this year is that we are not able to accommodate the presence of family members due to spacing issues. We will have 200 students in the cafeteria, keynote speakers, and musical performances. After the ceremony, we need to quickly reset the room for the after recognition social. Your understanding in this is much appreciated. We don't want to diminish the importance of the students' efforts and their culmination of middle school. We also want to be in line with the fire code and allow the students this day with a focus on each other and their peers.

Laptops

Laptops are able to be kept at home over the summer and used for summer assignments. Keep in mind that laptops are school property and need to be cared for accordingly. It is important that students avoid neglecting the laptop, keep it properly secured on a table or desk, and keep it at home. If you would like to get a head start and purchase insurance prior to the start of the school year, and if you are returning to BHMS in the fall, you can go to https://www.wtps.org/Page/23200 and download the form, complete and sign the user agreement, and have your child bring the completed agreement and \$65

check made out to Washington Township Public Schools. Return the form and check to Mrs. Venturo in the main office.

Summer Reading

Go to <u>https://www.wtps.org/Page/22981</u> or the bottom of the BHMS Website to access the links for summer reading. Should you have any questions about expectations or reading, please contact the supervisor of language arts, Melissa Barnett at <u>mbarnett@wtps.org</u>

Middle School Athletics

There is a middle school field hockey team. On Wednesday, June 12th at 6:00 PM in the 11/12 Gym at WTHS, there is an interest meeting for all those who would like to play field hockey in the fall. The coaches will go over physicals, practice schedule, and preparatory workouts. Please got to this link: Field Hockey Interest Meeting for more information

It is also mandatory and vitally important that all athletes at the middle level have a physical form to give permission to play in a sport. Without the physical, state rules don't allow a person to even practice. To obtain the necessary paperwork for the physicals, please go to https://www.wtps.org/Page/22545. This will be updated throughout the summer. Make sure you work to get the sports physicals completed by end of July.

PTO Webpage

Please log onto the PTO Webpage by clicking this link: <u>BHMS PTO</u>. Once there, you may access information about activities and meeting times/dates. If you're unable to make some meetings, please click on "Meeting Minutes" for information. The current month is posted now by clicking on this link: <u>April PTO Newsletter</u>

"The Bunker Hill Times"

This is a student created newsletter that comes out quarterly. To view the most current edition please click on this link: <u>Bunker Hill Times Spring 2019 Final Edition</u>

Clubs and Extracurricular Activities

Many of the clubs have started. Please listen to the morning announcements or view them on the

website. If you don't hear your club on the announcements, please view the club list in the main hallway or in the cafeteria to see who the teacher is to contact. You can also visit this link: https://www.wtps.org/Page/6860. Please keep in mind that in all three middle schools there are clubs

that are the same and clubs that are different. We try to have a wide assortment of clubs for all students to enjoy.

It is also important that families know about the prep clubs. Prep clubs are in place to provide homework assistance and study assistance. If your child needs to attend or receive extra support, please see this link so you know when your child's grade level prep club meets. <u>https://www.wtps.org/Page/26254</u>.

Gym Floor Information

The community of Washington Township has brought concerns to the superintendent regarding the presence of Mercury in the rubberized floors not only at BHMS but other schools in the district. In an effort to provide current information that is readily accessible, Mr. Bollendorf is posting the latest updates on the following link on the district web page: <u>Gym Floor Testing</u>

Bunker Hill is scheduled for their gym floor replacement as soon as the school year ends. In order to properly remove the old floor, clean the locker rooms, equipment, and bleachers the district has been in talks with the engineers and potential companies of their need to ensure removal and relaying of the new floor is proper and within appropriate safety guidelines and protocols.

Remind Account BHMS Updates

To join, text the message: @bhmstwp to the number 81010

Sincerely,

Mike D'Ostilio