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"Carrying on a Proud Tradition of Learning"

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Dear Parents and Families,

It's hard to believe that this year is quickly coming to an end. The students have worked hard in their various classes and learned not only their academics but to evolve to meet the expectations of a Bulldog. We're proud of the students for their efforts and in these fifteen days of school we encourage everyone to keep striving for the good grades, behaving properly, and finishing the race. Below are some end of the year activities that families need to be sure they put in their calendars.

Calendar of Events:

[Monthly Calendar](#)

Principal's Video Message

[Principal's Update May 21, 2019](#)

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

Wed	May 22	Bulldog Bash
Fri- Mon	May 24-27	Memorial Day Holiday
Tues	May 28	Presentation regarding health concerns on Vaping
Wed	May 29	Rain date for the Bulldog Bash
Thurs	May 30	8th Grade Laptop and Library Fines Due
Thurs	May 30- 7pm	6 th Grade Spring Music Concert at Bunker Hill Middle School
Friday	May 31	Senior Service Day and Physical Fitness Day
Friday	May 31 6:30pm	5 th to 6 th Grade Fun Fest

Mon	June 3	8 th Grade Trip to Hershey Park
Wed	June 5 6:30pm	6-8 Leadership and Honors Awards Night
Thurs	June 6 8am	8 th Grade Talented Art Exhibit and Family Welcome
Thurs	June 6	Last Full Day of Classes
Fri	June 7	6th and 7th Grade Laptop and Library Fines Due
Fri	June 7	Early Dismissal at 12:25pm NO LUNCH SERVED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st and 2nd period Exams • 7th
Fri	June 7 1-3pm	8 th Grade Farewell Dance/Yearbook Signing...8 th graders get yearbooks
Mon	June 10	Early Dismissal at 12:25pm NO LUNCH SERVED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd and 4th period Exams
Tues	June 11	Early Dismissal at 12:25pm NO LUNCH SERVED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5th and 6th period Exams
Wed	June 12	Early Dismissal at 12:25pm NO LUNCH SERVED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7th and 8th period Exams • 6th Grade Activity Day
Thurs	June 13	Last Day of School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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](#)

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: [Gym Floor Testing](#)

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.

Information for incoming 6th Grade Families.

Throughout the next couple of Principal's Updates, 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. We hope to see all incoming 6th graders come to the Fun Fest on 5/31...

[5th to 6th Grade Transition Night 2019](#)

[5th to 6th Grade Summer Transition Information](#)

[Fun Fest Permission Slip...Birches 5th Graders](#)

[Fun Fest Permission Slip...Whitman 5th Graders](#)

8th grade End of year information

Hershey Trip Information...6/3

The annual 8th Grade Hershey Park trip is June 3, 2019. Please Click on this link: [Hershey Park Information](#) for information regarding the trip. Please know that 8th grade students must adhere to attendance, behavior, and grade requirements to be considered eligible for the trip. For questions, please reach to Mrs. Zeoli at czeoli@wtps.org or Mrs. Reilly at mreilly@wtps.org. **IT IS VITAL TO PAY ALL LUNCH, TECHNOLOGY, AND LIBRARY FINES PRIOR TO THIS DATE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND. ALL FINES MUST BE PAID BY 5/30.**

Awards Night...6/5

While this is an event that honors invited 6th, 7th, AND 8th graders, those invited should put this on their calendar to ensure they are aware of the date. This is a great event to honor those in clubs, activities, and emerge as a leader in the middle school and in the classroom.

8th Grade Talented Art Exhibit...6/6

8th Graders who are in talented art and their teacher, Mrs. Franz are showcasing their artwork and inviting their family members to school on the morning of June 6 to do a gallery walk and see the talent and the hard work of these students displayed. We will have a light breakfast and coffee/juice in the library/imc for those parents who choose to attend. If you are coming please RSVP to our attendance secretary Mrs. Callahan at tcallahan@wtps.org

8th Grade Yearbook Signing and Farewell Dance...6/7

We are keeping with the traditions of years past and having a yearbook signing/dance/party after school on June 7 from 1-3. 8th graders will be encouraged to stay after, mingle with friends and obtain their

yearbooks and have friends sign the yearbooks. Earlier in the year, we had hoped for a larger “dance”. However, as the gymnasium became unavailable, we had to regroup. Students had wanted then to go home and come back at 3pm. However, that would be very cumbersome on parents with their work schedules. As a result, we realized that in order to provide the best opportunity for as many students as possible to get their yearbooks and have them signed and have them all in one room at once. This also gives an opportunity for teachers to bid farewell to the BHMS class of 2019 and the High School Class of 2023.

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.

8th Grade Unified Classroom Pilot

Families, we are working with 8th grade teachers to pilot a better way to help you access and follow your children’s assignments and due dates. Please see this letter at the following link: [Updated Unified Classroom Support](#)

Our hope is to provide an area where you see assignments all in one place. This is something we wanted to see if you like. Your feedback is very much appreciated.

PTO Webpage

Please log onto the PTO Webpage by clicking this link: [BHMS PTO](#). 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: [April PTO Newsletter](#)

“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: [Bunker Hill Times Spring 2019](#)

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. <https://www.wtps.org/Page/26254>.

Remind Account BHMS Updates

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

Sincerely,

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