



WESTPORT CENTRAL SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSNOTES
May 6th, 2011

Soar With Excellence

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AWESOME STUDENTS

- ~ Congratulations to Peter Hartwell and Lucy Misarski for their outstanding participation in the Champlain Valley Regional Science Fair on April 30th at Clinton Community College. Way to go!
- ~ Congratulations to the following students who have art on display in the Elementary/Middle School Art Show at the Lake Placid Center for the Arts: Grace Reynolds, Abigail Schwoebel, Aiden Lobdell, Brody Lobdell, Rachel Storey, Jenna Keech, Magnus Kohler, Matt Pribble, Elizabeth Hartwell, Jesse Latham, Hudson Stephens, Elizabeth Stephens, Hannah Schwoebel, Elizabeth Storey, Samson Staats. The show opening and reception will be on Friday, May 13th from 4-6 p.m. The show will be on exhibit until May 29th. The gallery hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 1-5 p.m.



SPECIAL THANKS

We would like to send a special thank you to the Westport, Wadhams and Whallonsburg Fire Departments for hosting the mock drill for our students. We appreciate ALL you do for our community!



JUNIOR PROM & CORONATION

The Junior Prom is this Saturday, May 7th at 7 p.m. Coronation will be held at 11 p.m.; there is a \$5 admission.



BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNUAL MEETING & BUDGET VOTE

We urge everyone to come out and vote on **Tuesday, 5/17**. The polls will be open from noon to 9 p.m., outside the auditorium. Incumbent Tom Kohler is running unopposed for the vacant Board seat.

STATE & REGENTS TESTING DATES

Grades 3-8 Math Exam	Wednesday, 5/11 – Friday, 5/13.
Grade 4 Science Performance Test	Wednesday, 6/1
Grade 8 Science Performance Test	Friday, 6/3
Grades 4 & 8 Science Written Test	Monday, 6/6
Regents Exams	Wednesday, 6/15 – Thursday, 6/23

Students should come to school well rested and have eaten a nutritious breakfast.

ANNUAL FISHING CONTEST

The Westport Fish and Game Club is holding its Annual Fishing Contest on **Saturday, 5/7** with registration beginning at 10:30 a.m., fishing at 11:00 and lunch at noon. Prizes and trophies will be awarded in 3 age groups: 3-6, 7-10 and 11-15. Come join the fun! (Fishing allowed with worms only.)



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Westport Central School will be holding Kindergarten registration on **Wednesday, 5/11**. If you have a child that will be five years of age before December 1, 2011, please call the school at 962-8244 to register your child.

JOB FAIR & PARENT/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT NIGHT

Career Day/Job Fair & Community Involvement Night, sponsored by the **Westport Chamber of Commerce**, WCS Shared Decision Making and Character Education Committees, will be held on Thursday, May 12th from 5:00 – 7:30pm in the Auditorium and Cafeteria. Family and community members are encouraged to attend this wonderful event. Members from the Westport Chamber of Commerce will be on hand to discuss different career and job opportunities. A special presentation by our Character Education Ambassadors has been planned as well as fun for the whole family. Families can sign-up for the Youth Commission's Summer Program. There will be games, prizes, food, and much more! See you on the 12th! For a complete list of Chamber Participants and for more information, please visit our website at www.westportcs.org.

Our May 12th Community Involvement Night will include a Cake Walk! Anyone willing to make a cake donation for this fun-filled event would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Vicki Wolinsky at the school with any questions.

LOST AND FOUND

The lost & found is currently located in the cafeteria through Thursday, May 19th. **All unclaimed items will be donated.**

BLOOD DRIVE

A Blood Drive will be held at the school on Tuesday, 5/17 from 2-6 p.m. in room 006 – across from the gymnasium.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FAIR / ART SHOW

Be prepared to be amazed! The Science and Technology Fair is coming Monday, 5/16 from 4-6 p.m. There will be displays and demonstrations to educate, inform and entertain the whole family. Please join us!! And while you're here, be sure to visit the Art Show being displayed in the cafeteria on 5/16 & 5/17. We have some awesome talent at WCS!!



JOHN F GEYER CONCERT

The John F. Geyer Concert will be held on Tuesday, 5/17 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Please come and listen to our talented student musicians!



C.A.R.E. FAIR & B.E.S.T. WALK

The B.E.S.T. Walk will be held on Saturday, 5/21 beginning at 10 a.m. at the Essex County Fairgrounds in Westport, NY. Students, parents and community members are invited to participate - there will be games, prizes, food, giveaways and A LOT OF FUN! All are welcome! 95 Triple X will be live at the event! A chance for a lucky participant to win a bike (1 girls, 1 boys). The C.A.R.E. Fair will also feature a Bike Rodeo (free helmets), child safety seat inspections and much, much more! Join us☺!

WESTPORT YOUTH COMMISSION NEWS

~ **THE SPRING 2011 HIKING PROGRAM HAS BEEN SUSPENDED DUE TO LACK OF A VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR, LOW PARTICIPATION AND EXTREMELY WET TRAIL CONDITIONS. A PLANNING MEETING TO DECIDE ON FUTURE TRIPS WILL BE ANNOUNCED. PLEASE CONTACT WESTPORTYOUTHPROGRAM@GMAIL.COM TO MAKE SUGGESTIONS OR COMMENTS.**

~ Biddy baseball will begin on Tuesday May 10, weather permitting. The fields are too saturated to make practices beneficial and safe. Submit registration forms in the school office and get your gloves warmed up!

~ Swimming lessons are underway at Moriah Central School on Saturday mornings. Contact the Essex County Youth Bureau for more information.

~ Sign up now for Challenger Soccer Camp from Aug. 1-5 at the Essex County Fairgrounds. Register at <http://www.co.essex.ny.us/>.

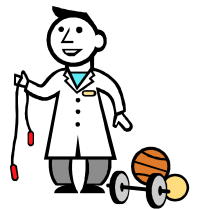
TALENT SHOW NEWS

Its Talent Show time and we hope to have the best year ever! The theme this year – Willy Wonka's Talent Factory – to be held on Saturday, May 21st. Stay tuned to upcoming Newsnotes for show time! Talent Show rehearsal dates are Tuesday & Thursday, 5/10 & 5/12 after school. Seniors will practice Monday & Wednesday, 5/9 & 5/11 at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

~ There are guidelines for this year's show: Elementary acts must have an adult sponsor who will attend all rehearsals; one act per student with the exception of large group acts; acts must be completed and performed for Mr. Gibbs by May 18th; no voice overs for musical acts & all vocals must be accompanied by live instruments, karaoke discs or performed a cappella; students behind in academics or having behavioral issues will lose eligibility to participate.

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Sports physicals for students in grades 6-11 are scheduled for Wednesday, May 25th (girls), Thursday, May 26th (boys) and Wednesday, June 1st (both girls & boys). If your child has had a physical in the past 2 months and you have not supplied the health office with a copy of this physical, please do so ASAP. If you have an upcoming appointment scheduled, please let the school nurse know the date of this exam. **All students planning on being examined at school must have their parents complete a Health History Form prior to the physical exam.** These will be handed out to the students in their homerooms.



BAND RECITAL

The 6th grade will hold a Band Recital on Wednesday, 5/25 at 6 p.m. in the Bulles Auditorium.

EARLY DISMISSAL

Students will be dismissed from school at 1 p.m. on Thursday, 5/26. The faculty will be participating in staff development. Reminder – there will be no ACAP after-school program on this day.

FITNESS ROOM SCHEDULE

The fitness room is open every Tuesday & Thursday from 5-7 p.m. May 26th will be the last day the fitness room will be open.

END OF 5 WEEK MARKING PERIOD/5 WEEK REPORTS

Friday, 5/27 is the end of the last 5 Week Marking Period. 5 Week Reports will be distributed to grades K-6 and mailed to grades 7-12 on Friday, 6/3.

LIBRARY BOOK RETURNS

Friday, 5/27 is the last day to sign books out of the Library. Tuesday, 5/31, **ALL BOOKS** are to be returned to the Library.

SCHOOL CLOSING

School will be closed for all students, faculty and staff for the Memorial Day holiday on Monday, 5/30.

YEARBOOKS AVAILABLE

Yearbooks are still available. The price is \$45. A \$25 deposit will hold a yearbook. Hurry, the books are going fast!



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS

Don't forget to get your college scholarship applications in; due dates are as follows:

- 5/10** James C. Brannon Award (seniors pursuing degree in the field of Engineering or closely related field)
- 5/13** Amy Bindelglass Memorial Scholarship
- 6/6** Essex County Sheriff's Dept. Benevolent Association (student pursuing education in the field of criminal justice)
- 7/1** Adirondack Wilderness Foundation (for students pursuing education in environmentalism) – due 7/1/11
- ~ ADK Regional Federal Credit Union (multiple scholarships to seniors pursuing Math or Business field-no membership required to apply)

Please continue to collect Pull Tabs

Upcoming Events

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- 6/2 Academic Awards Evening
- 6/3 Parent Luncheon
- 6/6 K-6 Character Education Assembly
- 6/9 Board of Education Meeting @6:30 p.m. in the library
- 6/21 CV-TEC Completion Ceremony, 7 p.m. @ SUNY Field House
- 6/22 CV-TEC Completion Ceremony, 7 p.m. @ Moriah C.S.
- 6/24 Last day of school
- 6/25 Graduation of the Class of 2011 at 10 a.m.

