

WOLVERINE GROWL

The Webster School

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October 2014

2nd PTO Meeting 5:00 Fall Festival Planning Mtg.
2nd School Advisory Council Meeting at 5:45 pm
2nd (K-5) Native American Program with Jimmy Sawgrass
6th State of the Schools with Dr. Joyner at 40 Orange Street 5:30 – 6:30
6th – 17th Disability History and Awareness Weeks
9th Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night 5:30 – 7:30
14th Head Start Parent Meeting 3:15 – 4:15
16th ESE Parent Advisory Council Mtg. 6:00 – 8:00 at the School Board
21st – 22nd Individual Student Pictures
23rd First Quarter Ends
23rd Fall Festival (PreK, K-5) 5:00 – 7:00
23rd Fire Prevention Program (PreK, K, 1)
24th Teacher Planning Day – Student Holiday
27th – 31st Red Ribbon Week
30th MKY Fall Fun
31st Report Cards Issued
31st Celebration of Champions

November 2014

3rd Parent/Teacher Conference Week
6th School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting in MKY at 5:45 pm
11th Veterans' Day – No School
19th Interims Reports Go Home
20th (K-5) Thanksgiving Luncheon for Grandparents
25th Fifth Grade Spelling Bee for Classroom Finalist
26th – 30th Thanksgiving Break

School Hours

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri	8:30 am – 2:50 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am – 1:50 pm
Doors Open	8:00 am
School Begins / Tardy Bell	8:30 am

Dear Parents,

Compliments to our teachers, staff, students, parents and PTO for a very successful beginning! Our campus supports 40 classrooms and an enrollment of 637 students. Our vision is one of teamwork and establishing an environment of educational excellence.

Communication is key in maintaining an excellent learning environment. We have many effective ways to communicate with our families. School personnel are available by email and voicemail. Our parent newsletter, The GROWL, is published monthly on the last day of the month and print copies are sent home. The school webpage is a wonderful source of information and provides additional learning opportunities for our students.

Another tool that facilitates communication is the Alert Now System, an outbound automated calling notification system. The Alert Now system is used to send emergency messages and general reminders. Remember while listening to an Alert Now Message, if you want the information repeated, press 1. Several Alert Now messages have already been sent this year. If you have not received any messages, please contact Ms. Marcia McNabb at 547-3864.

Did you know all students have been given a planner? The purpose of the planner is to serve as an organizational tool for students to document their homework and behavior each day. This allows parents to view what homework their child has and to assure its completeness. In some instances, teachers and parents may use it as a means to communicate between school and home. Students are expected to take the planner home each day and return it back to school the following day to record assignments and other important dates to remember.

Throughout the year students' progress is continuously monitored to ensure students are meeting appropriate learning benchmarks as set in the Florida Standards. All of our students participate annually in assessments in Reading and Math. Writing assessments will be important in 4th and 5th grades. Fifth grade students are also assessed in Science. These assessment results should be coming home with interims and report cards.

We strongly encourage you to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns regarding their progress. **Don't forget to mark your calendars for Parent / Teacher Conference Week during the week of November 3rd – 7th. Your child's teacher will review important data and share helpful strategies you can use to help your child succeed. Your child's first quarter report card will be given to you at your parent conference.**

Dr. Joyner's Corner The Superintendent's Weekly Review

Is posted at <http://blogs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/supt/>

The newsletter can also be found on the home page of the St. Johns County School District website at <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>



Webster's Fall Family Festival

Parents please join us on Thursday, October 23rd from 5:00 – 7:00 pm for our Fall Family Festival! There will be a dunking booth, a bounce house, face painting, mini-cupcake cake walk, Snow-cones, Popcorn, BBQ, and lots more games... Prices for everything will be sent home soon. We look forward to seeing you for a fun family night!

ESE Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

October 16th (6:00 – 8:00) 40 Orange Street, 3rd floor auditorium

The purpose of the Parent Advisory Committee is to identify barriers experienced by exceptional students and their families. This information is then shared with those who can effect changes (administration at schools and Exceptional Student Education staff at the district level). A copy is also provided to those who attend the meeting. If you need special accommodations, please contact Nancy Morrison (547-7672) one week prior to the meeting. The District contact for the Parent Advisory Committee is George Freeman (547-7704).

Gifted Parent Advisory Meeting

The Gifted Parent Advisory Council meets four times per year to inform the school district about ways in which we can improve our efforts in serving our gifted students. Parents of K-12 gifted students from throughout the district are encouraged to come to all of the meetings. The next meeting will be held on October 9th from 4:00 to 5:00 at Patriot Oaks Academy in the Media Center.

CARD Fall Family Festival

This year's Fall Family Festival takes place at the UF Developmental Pediatric Center on October 25th from 11:00 – 2:00. Join us for music, games, snacks, and prizes for what promises to be our biggest festival to date (and last year we had trains). Enjoy face painting, magicians, Mrs. Bubbles, a dunk tank, games galore, plus so much more and, of course, ride trains. Admission to this event is at no cost to the individual. UF Developmental Pediatric Center, 6271 St. Augustine Rd, Suite 1, Jacksonville, FL 32217.

<http://www.hscj.ufl.edu/calenda/r/attachments/1882/2014fallfestival.pdf> in your browser to access the flyer.

SAVE THE DATES!

**Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night
October 9th
(5:30 – 7:30)**

**Webster's Fall Festival
October 23rd
(5:00 – 7:00)**

**Parent / Teacher Conference
Week November 3rd – 7th**

**Thanksgiving Luncheon
for Grandparents
November 20th**



The United Healthcare Children's Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charity dedicated to facilitating access to medical related services that have the potential to significantly enhance either the clinical condition or the quality of life of a child that is not fully covered by an available commercial health benefit plan.

For more information please visit their webpage at <https://www.uhccf.org/aboutus.html>

Head Start

Head Start will be hosting a Parent Meeting on October 14th (3:15 – 4:15). The topic of the meeting will be connecting little ones to literacy. Head Start would also like to congratulate our New Webster Policy Council Parent Representatives: Roni Collins, Diane Degnan, and William Rodriguez. Parent participation is one of the foundations of Head Start and its Program Governance System.

School Advisory Council (SAC) Needs You!

The Webster School Advisory Council (SAC) is looking for parents, business community members, and other interested members of the community who would be interested in serving as a SAC member. If you or if you know of anyone who may be interested, please contact Mrs. Mitidieri for further information. SAC meetings will be held the first Thursday of every month at 5:45 pm. All meetings are open to the public and we encourage all parents to attend.



UPDATE EMERGENCY INFORMATION!

Please keep your child's records up-to-date: address, phone, emergency contacts, etc.
Call Marcia McNabb @ 547-3864.
Thank you for helping to keep your child safe!

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS & GUESTS

To enter The Webster School for ANY reason you must fill out the on-line "School Access Form" and be approved by the St. Johns School District & St. Johns Sherriff's Dept.

This process can take up to 4 weeks so don't wait!

Hard copies are available for those who do not have internet access.

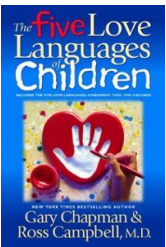
<https://knt3.keepntrack.com/HTML/KnTOnlineVolunteerApplication.html?db=stjohns&version=2.75.1-20131023>



The Webster Cookie Café for Parents

The Webster Cookie Café will take place in November and we would love for you to be a part of it!

This is a special opportunity to read and discuss books related to your child's education and/or behavior while enjoying freshly baked cookies. The first book we will discuss is called *The 5 Love Languages of Children* by Gary Chapman and Ross Campbell. *From the back cover: discover your child's love language, understand the link between successful learning and the love languages, see how the love languages help you discipline more effectively and build a foundation of unconditional love for your child.* **Contact Melissa Gullo, School Psychologist at 547-3870 to reserve a copy of the book and get more details regarding this unique opportunity.** Please sign up today; there are only 10 slots available! Please note child care will not be provided. Book discussion date to be announced.



Character Counts

At The Webster School, we teach character education through the district adopted Character Counts! Program. Throughout the school year, our school will be emphasizing the Pillars of Character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. Take the time to discuss and share your ideas about the six pillars with your child. By using common language and role modeling we will continue to develop Kids of Character!

Box Tops Wanted

Congratulation to Mrs. Gurick's class for bringing in the most Box Tops. Mrs. Gurick won a \$25 dollars in Book Fair money. Our grand total so far in Box Tops is \$550.00. Thank you to everyone who participated.



Welcome Student Ambassadors

A big thanks to our 5th Grade Student Ambassadors who are doing a great job helping keep our school safe. With their help in the morning and afternoon, our parent drop-off and pick-up line goes a little smoother and quicker. Congratulations to the following 5th grade students who were selected to be a member of the Wolverine Safety Patrol Team: Khalid Gardner, Shadarion Gatewood, Owen Jaeger, Zavion Storey, Lanayah Harris, Jar'nae Bryson, Christina Ghee, Daniel Taylor, Jovanna Calderon, I'monni Reddick, Jayden Woodard, Lauren Johnston, Theotis Durden, Jalem Williams, Lydia Mishoe, Taylor Brooks, Jannah Jackson, Justin Biladi, Angel Runion, Brandy Harrison, Damien Harvey, Breanna Phillips, Anthony Romero, Ciara Gruner, Kayleigh Sullivan, Wilson Nguyen, Allura Dailey, Trevor Harris, Annie McInnis, Paul Toler, Kyleigh Pearson, Zoe Zimmerman, Latajah Gordon, Alyssa Ullman, James Whitty, Ian Roberson, Bianca Leon, Elderick Anderson, Lynna Dalton, Riley Langston, Alexis Pitcock, Trenton Walker, Ja'Vantae Willis, Caleb Milligan, Lane Hobbs, Mack Mims, MaKinley Dowler, Christina Peck, Ian Freeman, Darius Luke, Treven Rogero, Blake Hairston, Landon Stevens, Rory Angelus, Zanteria Reynolds, Nyssa Neuman, Samantha Rohde, Kaylee Terry.