

NOTABLE NOTES

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Rosetta Stone is here!

We have an exciting addition to the Wesleyan Christian Academy Elementary School curriculum for the 2020-2021 school year. The elementary years are some of the most formative years in a student's life. It's during these years that the brain allows for maximum development of foundational skills including mathematical principles, reading, writing, and overall language development. As a result, the elementary years are an optimal time in life to study and learn a foreign language. After exploring various options for our students to engage in foreign language study in the most effective way possible, we are excited to launch this new program through Rosetta Stone.

Rosetta Stone is an internet-based language learning program that provides a variety of language options. Each student in grades K2 – 4th will have a Rosetta Stone account, and parents will be able to select which language they want their student to study. You can choose one of over 20 different language options. Here's a brief description of how we will get started. Please be prepared to share your child's language selection at Open House with the teacher. Your child's account will then be set-up, and your child will be provided foreign language learning opportunity three days per week during the school day. During this time, teachers will monitor students in the classrooms and help them with technical issues and questions. Your child will also have access to his or her account for practice at home. We will be asking for students to practice at home twice per week for 15 minutes. This approach will allow your child the opportunity to grow in foreign language development at a minimum of five times per week, providing

ongoing and consistent language practice. The language options are as follows:

Select a Language:

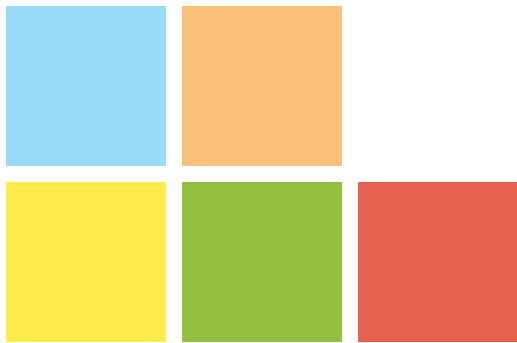
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| Spanish | Dutch | Greek |
| French | Filipino | English (British) |
| Italian | Hebrew | Korean |
| German | Hindi | Irish |
| English | Japanese | Latin |
| Arabic | Persian | Portuguese |
| Chinese | Russian | Spanish (Spain) |
| Vietnamese | Turkish | Swedish |

Students will continue foreign language study with Rosetta Stone for the duration of their time in Elementary School. Each year you will have the option for your child to continue with the same language or to select a new language for study. Your decision depends upon your goals for your child. If you desire for your child to master a foreign language and develop fluency in that language, we recommend that you continue with the same language for multiple years. If you desire for your child to be exposed to multiple languages and cultivate a love for different languages, then you may choose to change language selections each year. The Rosetta Stone program provides us with options that meets the needs of each individual student and family.

We are excited for this addition to our curriculum as our desire is to provide a truly world-class education for our kids!

Sincerely,

David Ray, Ed. D.



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■ Elementary Arrivals and Dismissals

When can my child come to school?

Elementary students can be dropped off at 7:00 on the Eastchester side of the building by the middle school gym.

Our teacher assistants will be in the gym to greet these students and will divide them into grade levels where they will remain until escorted to their classrooms at 7:40.

Beginning at 7:40 all elementary students will need to be dropped off at Canopy A on the Centennial side of the building. All traffic will be one way starting at entrance C. Elementary parents should stay in the outside lane and drop off your students at the main academy entrance. The inside lane will be used for EEC drop offs.

At this time, parents are not permitted to enter the building. Students will need to take their temperature at the scanner before entering the building.

We are not able to offer breakfast at this time, but students are encouraged to pack a midmorning snack.

When can I pick up my child?

Dismissal for Elementary students begins at 2:30 p.m. Unless your child is scheduled for the After School Program, he/she will need to be picked up no later than 2:45 pm. All students who remain after 2:45 pm become a part of our After School Program and parents are then charged for this service.

Where should I pick up my child?

At Open House, your oldest student will receive a packet of tags for your family.

There will be 2 hang tags to use on your rear view mirror and 3 tags for your child's back pack. Please place this on the bag prior to the first day of school if they are to be a car rider.

All students with the last name beginning with A-K will have a yellow tag and will be picked up on the Eastchester side of the building by the middle school gym. To access this pick up lane, please enter at the light on Eastchester and circle around through the Fine Arts parking lot and pull up to the doors at the middle school gym entrance. There will be signs to direct you.

Students L-Z will have red tags and will be picked up at the main academy entrance at Canopy A on the Centennial side of the building. Please enter at entrance C and circle around.

Your tag will need to be displayed on your rear view mirror at all times. If someone other than a parent is picking up your child, they will need to have a hang tag with your number. If a student is carpooling with another family, you will need to send a note to school with that information so we can make sure they are at the correct pick up line.

■ Nurse Notes

Please inform the school nurse of any health needs your child may have. This would include health conditions such as asthma, seizures, food or bee sting allergies. Contact Nurse Moore at smoore@wcatrojans.org with any questions or concerns.



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Medications: Please note that school staff may not give any medications, prescription or over-the-counter, without the written authorization of a healthcare provider (physician, PA, nurse practitioner, or dentist). Please visit the nurse page of our school website for forms and health related information.

Nurse Moore will be on campus for both of our open houses if you need to drop off medications you may do so at that time.

Menu August 18-21

Tuesday - Spanish Rice, Roasted Broccoli, Fruit

1. ACP
2. Beef Taco
3. Cheese Quesadilla

Wednesday - Steamed Peas, Garlic Breadstick, Ice Cream

1. Penne Alfredo
2. Bowtie Pasta with Marinara

Thursday - Hash Brown Potatoes, Fresh Fruit

1. French Toast Sticks & Sausage
2. Waffle Sticks & Sausage
3. Vegetarian Sausage

Friday - Jasmine Rice, Snow Peas, Fresh Fruit

1. Jerk Chicken
2. Chicken Nuggets
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After School Program

This year we are able to serve families with children in K1-5th grade in our after school program. We are offering the same three options as in the past:

One-Hour Program from 2:30-3:30
Weekly Enrollment from 2:30-5:00
Daily Drop - In Care When Needed

The main difference this year is our drop-off and closing time. You can drop-off from 7:00am - 7:40am, but children will enter at the middle school gym entrance and go to a designated area. Breakfast will not be served. We will also be closing at 5:30pm. This is due to not being able to intermingle grades, which means we can not condense down to a "late room". To register for the program please go to our website under "campus life" or you can click the the following link: <https://www.wesed.org/campus-life/school-age-extended-care/after-school-program-application>.

You must register by Wednesday, August 12th to secure a space in the after school program. We will be emailing you on Monday, August 17th with logistics for the program. We will also tell you which group your child(ren) is in. We know everything has changed in some way over the past 5 months, and we want to make you aware of new protocols. In the after school program we will follow the same guidelines as the elementary school. This will include the following: no intermingling of grades, masks when we cannot socially distance ourselves, snacks will be served in the rooms only, and runners will bring your children to you at pick-up.