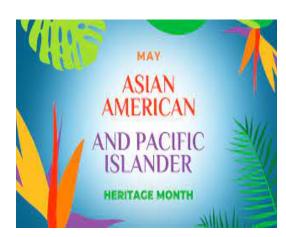


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May is Asian/Pacific Island Americans Heritage Month recognizing the contributions and influence of Asian Americans and Pacific Islander Americans to the history, culture, and achievements of the United States.

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Spring Fever Enlisting Parental Help to Keep Kids Focused

As we move closer to the end of our school year, it's common for students to experience what's commonly called Spring Fever. This can manifest in a variety of behaviors that impact academic performance and overall school culture.

While it's natural for students to feel a sense of excitement and anticipation as the school year comes to a close, it's important to remember that academic and behavioral expectations still apply Please help us by encouraging your child to stay focused and motivated, even though the weather is getting warmer, so that they can finish the year strong. Some examples of Spring Fever Behavior include:

- Lack of focus in class
- Increased restlessness and fidgeting
- Difficulty completing assignments or staying organized
- Decreased motivation and interest in academic work
- Increased socializing and distraction during class time
- Skipping classes or arriving late to classes
- Increased conflicts with peers or teachers

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain a positive and productive learning environment for all our students.

Contact Your Child's Counselor if You Have Any Questions







CMS Webpage

https://cms.westportps.org/

Parents and students are encouraged to check out the CMS Webpage. It's a great place to find information.

School Hours

Students8:30-3:15Office7:30-4:00

Students may enter the building at 8:00 a.m.

Reminder to charge **Chromebooks** each night and keep the protective cover on the device. Also, students are expected to follow the Acceptable Use Guidelines.

Safe School Climate & Bullying Prevention Policies



Visit The District Webpage to view the Policies

https://www.westportps.org/b oard-of-education/policies At the start of school, on CTV, we reviewed the Safe School Climate and Bullying Prevention Policies. We connected these expectations to the WPS Guiding Principles. Below find a brief description of each policy and links to our BOE policies for both.

We reviewed the four **Guiding Principles**: *Emotionally* & *Socially Aware, Kind with Sincerity, Principled in Thought* & *Action, and Learning Always.* We provided a few examples of what this means and connected it to the work we will do as a school. See the link below for more information.

The **Safe School Climate Policy** states that each and every school community member should be treated with dignity and should have the opportunity to learn, work, interact, and socialize in physically, emotionally, and intellectually safe respectful, and positive school environments as well as the opportunity to experience high-quality relationships. We work together with staff, students, and community members to promote conditions designed to create, maintain, and nurture a positive school climate.

The **Bullying Intervention and Prevention Policy** states that we are responsible for creating and maintaining an educational environment that is physically, emotionally, and intellectually safe and thus free from bullying, teen dating violence, harassment, and discrimination. In accordance with state law and the Board's Safe School Climate Plan, the Board expressly prohibits any form of bullying behavior on school grounds; at a school-sponsored or school-related activity, function, or program, whether on or off school grounds; at a school bus stop; on a school bus or other vehicle owned, leased, or used by a local or regional board of education; or through the use of an electronic device or an electronic mobile device owned, leased, or used by the Board of Education.

Please review these policies and discuss them with your children. Contact us if you have any questions regarding this information.

SPRING CONCERTS 7:00 PM



May 9th Grades 6-7-8 Band & Wind Ensemble May 10th Grades 6-7-8 Orchestra and Chamber May 24th Grades 6-7-8 Chorus & Camerata



JUDITH ALTMAN HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR

to ZOOM in with BMS & CMS GRADE 8 STUDENTS MAY 26th

