

The Wantage Times

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Principal's Message

I hope this Newsletter finds everyone well and in good health.

School will resume for in person instruction on Monday, October 19th for Cohort A and on Tuesday, October 20th for Cohort B.

Teacher videos have been posted on Google Classrooms for our "Virtual" Back To School Night.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, concerns or any ideas you would like to share. I appreciate your continued support and involvement in the learning process.

Sincerely,

Christopher Gregory
Principal

Welcome Back
2020-2021

Parent Portal

Please follow the directions below to log into the Realtime Parent Portal:

<http://fridayparentportal.com/suss-exwantage>

Enter the Portal Code, Username and Password

You can also access the Parent Portal by logging into our District Website:

www.swregional.org

~Parents

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CAUTION

Drop Off & Pick Up

Please be advised that drop off is in the rear of the building and occurs between 8:15 a.m. and 8:45 am. Please exercise caution when dropping off your children. We respectfully request that children exit the vehicle on the passenger side closest to the building for safety. Temperature checks will be taken prior to entering school.

For pick up, parents and guardians should park on the lower lot or near the playground. Permanent pick up is located in the cafeteria while daily pick up is located near the playground entrance. Pick up begins at 3:20 pm. Please have identification available when you pick up your child.

The parking area for pick up will be closed until 3:10 pm. We respectfully request that you do not arrive before then. We appreciate everyone's support with our procedures to ensure the safety of all of our students.

Note: Please wait for the school bus to come to a complete stop with the red lights flashing prior to letting your children approach the bus.



Dates to Remember

10/19- Cohort A returns
10/20- Cohort B returns
10/19-10/23- School Violence Awareness Week
10/26-10/30- Red Ribbon Week
10/28- BOE meeting at SMS @ 7 pm
10/31- Halloween
11/1- Daylight Savings Time ends
11/3- All Virtual Day (Election Day)
11/5-11/6- School Closed (NJEA convention)
11/11- 1st Marking Period Ends Veteran's Day
11/18-BOE meeting at SMS @ 7 pm
11/20- Parent Teacher Conferences
11/23-11/24- Parent Teacher Conferences



**Free Breakfast (8:10-8:45 AM)
& Lunch available to all
students.**



North Jersey Walk

Saddle River County Park-Otto
C. Pehle Area

Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

October 24th 2020 10AM

<https://leadrugs.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4b18f153138630c338c26c897&id=102b7b029a&e=905fd3f187>



We are excited to announce that we now offer a new online payment system called PaySchools Central. PaySchools Central provides all parents in our district with an easy way to manage lunch and breakfast accounts. This can all be done in the convenience of your own home through an easy-to-use online portal:

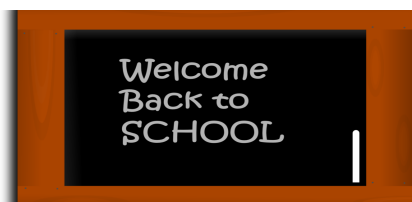
www.payschoolscentral.com

You will need to register at the link above. Additional information can be found on our school website under the food service tab within the department section or in the parent portal.

If you need help along the way, please contact PaySchools

pcs_help@payschool.com or
1-877-393-6628

Sussex-Wantage Regional School District is launching Ways to "Enhance Children's Activity & Nutrition." For more information and resources please visit the project's website at:
<http://www.sussexcountywecanprogram.com/>



TIPS from the TEAM

Getting back into the school routine is often stressful and anxiety provoking for many families. Having an organized plan is often helpful and necessary. The following are tips to get your child off to a successful school year.

Just a reminder that Progress Reports will NOT be sent home unless requested through the Wantage School Central Office.



**First Marking Period Ends
November 11th**

Make sure that your child gets plenty of rest. Most kids between the ages of 5 and 12 should be getting 10 or 11 hours of sleep. Improve the sleep environment by keeping distractions out of the bedroom. This includes televisions, cell phones, and computers. This will keep them from being tempted to use a device during the night.

Develop a nightly routine that includes reading. Whether you read to a child or they read to themselves or even another sibling, this is a time without technology and unnecessary stimuli.

Develop a routine that includes a designated location to complete work and all necessary supplies. Research suggests that listening to music may help relaxation, learning and memory.

Use a large calendar displayed in a central location to record all pertinent due dates, events and appointments. Different colors can be used for different siblings. Review this with your family on Sunday to prepare for the week ahead. It can also help teach children to manage their time, study for upcoming tests and plan out when they will work on long term projects.

Here is a quote that is of particular relevance with today's learning options.

"Parents are teachers and home is a child's first and most important classroom."

On that note, I wish the Wantage School students and parents a successful school year!

***Robin M. Reese, Learning Consultant,
Child Study Team***



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