August, 2019

A MESSAGE from DR. ELAINE KANAS, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear East Williston School District Community,

Welcome back to a new school year! We are excited about new and continuing initiatives planned for the 2019-20 school year that continue to build on and expand the accomplishments of the previous school year. Looking back just some of those accomplishments and successes include:

- 157 students earned recognition as AP Scholars (a record number) including 22 National AP scholars.
- 81 students were inducted into the National Honor Society.
- Wheatley ranked in the top 1% of the country on the Jay Matthews Challenge Index (oldest high school ranking system in the country).
- The Wheatley School recognized as a School of Distinction from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association.
- Wheatley graduation rate was 99% with over 90% of Wheatley students earning Advanced Designation Regents diplomas.
- East Williston School District, once again, received a Best Communities for Music Education Award from the National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM). Designations are made to districts and schools that demonstrate an exceptionally high commitment and access to music education.
- The Wildcat, Wheatley’s online newspaper, won Best Online Newspaper at Adelphi’s Press Day Quill Awards.
- Wheatley Brainstormers JV team won the 2019 National Academic Championship.
- Two Wheatley juniors qualified to compete in the 2019 DECA ICDC National Competition.
- Wheatley Mock Trial team won the Nassau County championship and competed in the State Finals.
- East Williston students were recognized for outstanding achievement by such organizations and in competitions such as American Chemical Society, National History Day Competition, National Merit Scholarship program, Regeneron Talent Search, Nassau Science Olympiads, Nassau Mathematics Tournament, Italian, French and Spanish medal competitions, NYSSMA All-State Conference and Scripps Spelling Bee.
- Wheatley three-sport student athlete received the News 12 Scholar Athlete Award.
- All fall 2018 and spring 2019 athletic teams at The Wheatley School were named NYSPHSAA scholar-athlete teams.
- Girls varsity volleyball team won the 2018 Nassau County Girls Volleyball Class B Championship and girls varsity soccer team won the 2018 Nassau County Girls Soccer Class B Championship and were NYSPHSAA Class B Regional Champions.
- Track & Field star athletes qualified for the NYSPHSAA Track and Field State Championships.
- East Williston hosted its first ever K-12 Fine and Performing Arts Festival with record-breaking attendance.
- East Williston staff expertise was celebrated and acknowledged in the broader educational community in a variety of venues including winners of the NASTAR Award by the Nassau Association of School Technologists, the 2018 Fred Podolski Leadership and Innovation in Technology Award, leadership in a variety of county-wide professional organizations, membership on New York State Education Department Advisory Panels, artistic recognitions and providing expertise to the field through the hosting of professional development for other school district visitors and conference presentations.

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THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

Our schools exist to nurture the best in each child morally, intellectually, socially, artistically, emotionally and physically. Specifically, we seek to encourage respect for individual human worth and acceptance of difference, an open and curious mind armed with the ability to think critically and to consider ideas in the light of values, and a responsible pursuit of personal excellence and knowledge.

We expect our schools to be humane and supportive environments where the growth of learners is more important than judgments of them. We expect our schools to meet the needs of the rich variety of human potential so that each child may emerge more able to lead a happy, productive adult life.

THE MEANING OF EDUCATION IN THE DISTRICT

The East Williston School District is a small K-12 school system, which prides itself on an individualized and personalized approach to educating its students. The district is committed to maintaining acceptable class sizes. Student support services are strong and curricular and co-curricular programs are diverse. The pursuit of academic excellence in this district reflects the deep belief that all students can learn and that all students deserve high quality instruction in the classroom. It also means that there are high academic expectations in terms of the basic literacies. The educational program is geared to encourage critical thinking and a love of learning.

The District aims to provide its students with a broad-based education which recognizes that individuals have different aptitudes, talents and needs. Students are encouraged to be active learners and to acquire skills that have practical and real life application. Academic experiences are provided for a wide range of student interests and abilities. The district expects that a high level of academic preparation will produce students who think critically, who possess intellectual curiosity, and who are reasonable, rational, thoughtful, and ethical human beings. East Williston graduates are expected to display compassion for others, respect for differing talents and an acceptance of their responsibilities in the adult world.

The district makes every attempt to provide students with opportunities to develop civic pride and responsible civic behavior. Students are involved in numerous activities aimed at helping others. They are involved in representation on student governments, school committees, decision-making school organizations and a wide variety of outreach and exchange programs.

High school performance and student achievement have long been recognized by local, state, regional, and national associations of professional organizations and accreditation associations. Nearly all the graduates continue their education after high school which, in itself, bespeaks a high sense of motivation and love for learning. The community has long supported its schools. The professional staff always strives to place student needs first. The partnership between home, community and school district has been an important component of the East Williston School District success.

DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

The East Williston Union Free School District is a comprehensive K-12 school district with over 1700 students enrolled in its three schools: North Side School, grades K-4; Willets Road School, grades 5-7; and The Wheatley School, grades 8-12. An experienced faculty of more than 170 teachers serves a full range of pupils. Students have access to support personnel including social workers, psychologists, guidance counselors, nurses and reading specialists. Instructional support teams in each building review student progress on a regular basis. Instructional programs are complemented by a full array of co-curricular activities in art, music, drama, athletics and school clubs.

The school district is governed by a five member Board of Education whose members serve for three-year terms. The Superintendent of Schools is the Board’s Chief Executive Officer and is supported by district and building administrators.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The East Williston Union Free School District, 11 Bacon Road, Old Westbury, New York 11568, hereby advises students, parents, employees and the general public that it offers employment and educational opportunities, including vocational educational opportunities, without regard to sex, color, race, age, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin or disability. The Board of Education accepts the legal obligation under Section 504 to identify, evaluate, and to extend to every qualified student with a disability residing in the district a free and appropriate public education, including modification, accommodations, specialized instruction or related aids as deemed necessary to meet their educational needs as adequately as the needs of non-disabled students are met.

Inquiries regarding this non-discrimination policy may be directed to Dr. Danielle Gately, Title IX Compliance Coordinator or to Dr. Lynn Mazza, Section 504 Compliance Coordinator. (Title IX/Section 504 Regulations)
As required by New York State Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) Act and the Dignity for All Students Act (DASA), the district has revised its discipline policies. The Code of Conduct, which governs student behavior, was developed in collaboration with student, teacher, administrator and parent organizations, along with school board attorneys. Originally approved in July 2, 2001 and revised in August 2010 and again in November 2012, the code of conduct is available on the district website at www.ewsdonline.org > Our District > Code of Conduct > Policy 5300. Hard copies are available in each school office, as well. Parents and students should be familiar with the full code of Conduct.

The East Williston School District’s policies and practices related to student discipline and behavior exist to help accomplish the objectives of the district’s mission statement. These objectives include the nurturing of “the best in each child morally, intellectually, socially, artistically, emotionally and physically.” The district attempts to inculcate “respect for individual human worth and acceptance of difference.”

Above all, schools are expected to be humane and supportive environments where the growth of learners is more important than judgement of them. Thus the disciplining of our children must always be humane and directed toward effectively helping them grow, change and cope with the causes of their behavior.

The Board of Education also recognizes that any society, including our school district must establish rules and regulations to insure the welfare, rights and safety of its members and to accomplish the goals of that society. The success of any set of rules depends on making the members of that society aware of the rules and then enforcing those rules under a consistent and fair procedure, one that recognized the individual rights and needs of the member as well as his/her obligation to that society.

The code includes definitions to be applied in dealing with inappropriate student behavior, procedures for teacher discipline and removal of disruptive students and prohibited conduct that might lead to disciplinary action. Also included are procedures to be used by administrators of each school. A significant component of the code is the identification of student rights and responsibilities, and the right to respectful treatment, freedom from bullying, harassment, intimidation or other physical, verbal or psychological abuse. The policy also focuses on student’s responsibility to each other to refuse to start, participate in or in any way encourage or tolerate such disrespectful acts. Furthermore, while the District recognizes the right of students to free expression, it also reminds students of the need to exercise these rights responsibly, without the use of obscenities, libelous statements, and malicious or personal attacks.

### SUMMARY OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT

E-Mail & Telephone Communications with Faculty

East Williston teachers and administrators may be contacted by e-mail or telephone.

**E-mail Communication**

E-mail addresses follow the format

`last name first name initial@ewsdmail.org`

For example, Superintendent Elaine Kanas’s e-mail address is kanas@ewsdmail.org.

Faculty e-mails are accessible from a navigation link on each individual school and the District website at www.ewsdonline.org > Contact > Staff Directory.

Email is a useful way of contacting teachers, but with some limitations. Teachers are frequently unable to read their email during their teaching day and may not always be able to access during vacations and weekends. Emails should not be used for same day messages such as requests for assignments for an absent student or changes in transportation plans. Email is not an official document and so may not be used for absence notes, changes in pickup, play dates, etc. Many teachers prefer person-to-person telephone communication; therefore we request that you include a telephone number in your e-mail. If a message requires a prompt response or is of a critical nature, please call the main office of your child’s school and leave a message. Extensive comments from teachers should not be expected in an e-mail communication as these are more properly obtained through the regular channels of a telephone call, parent conferences and report cards.

**Telephone Communication**

Teachers and administrators may also be reached by telephone. Complete directories of all administrators and faculty are accessible from a navigation link on each individual school and the District website at www.ewsdonline.org > Contact > Staff Directory. Although all administrators and some teachers have actual telephones on their desks, most teachers do not. When you call their extension, you will be prompted to leave a message. This message is then converted to an email and forwarded to the teacher’s email. Teachers will be able to listen to their telephone messages through their email accounts. Please be cognizant that teachers are frequently unable to check their email during their teaching day and may not always be able to access during vacations and weekends. If a message requires a prompt response or is of a critical nature, kindly call the school’s main office and leave a message for the teacher indicating the importance of your concern.

### DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT

The District is committed to providing an educational environment that allows all students to thrive academically, emotionally and socially. New York State’s Dignity Act (DASA), effective July 1, 2012, is intended to give students in public schools an educational environment free from discrimination and harassment. It protects against all forms of harassment, particularly those based on a student’s actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex. The Dignity Act prohibits activities that create a hostile environment at school and school sponsored events. These activities can include aggressive conduct, threats, intimidation or abuse that unreasonably and substantially interferes with another student’s educational performance. The Dignity Act also creates a framework for promoting a more positive school culture through sensitivity training and classroom curricula on diversity.

EWS&D’s Dignity for All Students Plan, approved by the Board in June, 2012, can be viewed on the district website www.ewsdonline.org > Our District > Dignity for All Students Act.

The DASA Plan Coordinators for the 2019-20 school year are as follows:

- **District-wide Plan Coordinator:** Janna Varela Bonacorsi, Director of Guidance, 333-7631, varelabonacorsij@ewsdmail.org
- **North Side Plan Coordinator:** Jamie Pandon, Assistant Principal, 333-6537, pandolfi@ewsdmail.org
- **Willets Road Plan Coordinator:** Vanessa DiMascio, Dean of Students, 333-5271, dimasciov@ewsdmail.org
- **Wheatley Plan Coordinator:** Dr. Karen Klapper, Assistant Principal, 333-7804, klapperk@ewsdmail.org

### PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATIONS 2019-2020

The best possible education for every child in the district, a common goal of home and school, is of prime interest to the district’s four parent-teacher groups. The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) of North Side, Willets Road and Wheatley and the Special Education Parent Council (SEPC) believe that this goal can best be achieved through open communication and full cooperation among parents, teachers and administrators. Each PTO has scheduled meetings as designated on the calendar. You are invited to attend. The activities of the four parent-teacher groups are strengthened by the PTO Coordinating Council which meets throughout the year to support district level PTO topics.
ATTENDANCE

Good attendance and punctuality are important characteristics of good work habits. Since excessive tardiness and absences are not conducive to learning, parents/guardians should make every effort to have their children in school every day and on time.

Parents/guardians are asked to call their student’s school safety phone and leave a message if their student will be arriving late or will be absent:
- North Side Safety Phone: 333-6773
- Willets Road Safety Phone: 333-8051
- Wheatley Safety Phone: 333-7809

A written excuse is required each time a child is tardy or absent from school. The note should accompany the child upon his or her return to school, as required by education law. The parent/guardian of a student who will be out for an extended period of time should notify the school of this fact.

Parents are encouraged to make medical, personal and family appointments involving their youngsters outside of school hours.

Every school day is a regular day of instruction. If school is open, the instructional program will continue without interruption. The Board of Education policy recognizes excused absences as absences “... which include but are not limited to personal illness, illness or death in the family, impassable roads or weather, religious observance, quarantine, required court appearances, attendance at health clinics, approved college visits, approved cooperative work programs, military obligations, or such other reasons as may be approved.” Parents and pupils know in advance that the make-up of work missed is required after any absence. High School students may not have the right to earn credit for work missed due to an unexcused absence; however, parents and students should be aware of the policy and procedures to be followed by a pupil in making up work after any absence. After an extended absence, make up of missed work should be scheduled to avoid undue pressure of homework on the day or two following a student’s return to school.

SAFETY PHONE-IN

North Side Safety Phone-In 333-6773
Willets Road Safety Phone-In 333-8051
Wheatley Safety Phone-In 333-7809

If your child is going to be absent or late, please call and leave a message in voicemail, which is in operation 24 hours a day. Parents are still required to provide a written notice for each absence or lateness.

TELL SOMEONE a district reporting program

In the District’s continuing efforts to maintain a safe learning environment for our students, and with the passage of the New York State Dignity for All Students Act (DASA), the Board of Education approved a District DASA Plan. In accordance with this plan, the District has developed a reporting system where students and/or parents can confidentially report an issue to the District, including bullying, harassment, depression or drug or alcohol use and other high risk behaviors. Students and parents are always encouraged to speak directly with school personnel about any issues of concern; however, if someone feels unable to do so, for some reason, this reporting format, though not anonymous, provides an opportunity to share information in a more confidential manner.

To report an incident or issue online, go to the District website at www.ewsddonline.org, or the school sites > Contact > Tell Someone.

MEGAN’S LAW NOTIFICATION SYSTEM www.parentsformeganslaw.org

In order to provide residents with information concerning convicted sex offenders who are living or working within the boundaries of the East Williston School District, parents can take advantage of a no-cost sex offender alert notification program. The service allows subscribers to be informed of any sex offender notifications, not just offenders residing within school boundaries, but also those implemented within Nassau and Suffolk Counties.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS and EMERGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

When necessary, due to extreme weather conditions or emergency school closings, announcements will be made in the following ways: (1) by using an internet-based communication system which calls the primary contact telephone numbers provided by parents or guardians of the students; (2) postings on the following websites: District website (www.ewsddonline.org) - *emails will be sent to those who subscribe to Emergency & Weather pages; News12 Long Island website (www.news12.com); FIOS1 News website (www.fios1new.com/longisland); WCBS 88 AM website (http://newyork.cbslocal.com/school-closings/); (3) on the following local media stations: WALK Radio (97.5 FM); B103 Radio (103.1FM); WCBS Radio (880 AM); ABC-TV (Channel 7); News12 Long Island (Cablevision TV Channel 12); and FIOS 1 News Channel - Long Island (Verizon/FIOS TV cable station 1); and (4) on the district twitter account @EastWillistonSD

Delayed School Openings or Early Dismissals:

In the event of severe weather, road conditions, an emergency or other extraordinary circumstances, a delayed opening or an early dismissal may be required. A delay will result in the rescheduling of school openings, student and staff arrivals, and all school transportation schedules within the district schools or, may lead to a school closing. A decision to institute a delayed opening, subsequent school closing or early dismissals will be communicated to parents, students, and staff in the same manner that school closings and emergency announcements are made. See School Closings and Emergency Announcements directly to the left.
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**Wheatley Grade 8 Orientation Students** by appointment only

**Professional Development Days (Staff Only)**

**Important Reminders:**

- Visit the District website at [www.ewsdoine.org](http://www.ewsdoine.org) for District updates, information and news!
- Follow us on Twitter @EastWillistonSD!
The primary goal of the North Side School Program is realizing the full potential of each child’s academic and social growth. Experience shows that this is best accomplished in a happy, supportive school setting.

The core curriculum areas of mathematics, science, social studies, and language arts are presented in a holistic fashion, and follow the New York State curriculum requirements. Themes on issues related to the core areas are introduced. These themes are further enhanced by the school’s art and music teachers, enrichment teacher, computer instructor and library media specialist. Students in grades 3 and 4 will participate in the FLES program and be introduced to Spanish twice in their 6 day cycle. All children in grades K-4 receive instruction in the areas of physical education, art, music, and computer applications. Special services are available for all students who may need additional support, and include teaching English as a New Language (ENL), speech, mathematics and reading.

Instruction is presented in a manner that helps to develop good character, self-awareness and a sense of self-worth. Aesthetic appreciation is fostered by academic, as well as special area, teachers. Opportunities for cooperative learning and individual instruction are presented daily, and students are encouraged to be active participants in their own learning. Special assemblies and field trips help to enhance the core curriculum areas.

An appreciation of the arts is an important ingredient in the overall development of children at North Side. Special assemblies are presented throughout the years that expose the children to various art forms.
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- Follow us on Twitter @EastWillistonSD!

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**DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL TO VERIFY.**
WILLETTS ROAD SCHOOL
(Grades 5-7)

The Willets Road School serves our children by providing a smooth and gradual transition from the self-contained classroom of the elementary school to the departmentalized environment of the high school. Students are provided with an engaging and diverse curriculum based on best practice and research.

Learning how to learn and apply skills and knowledge is a prime focus of the middle school experience. Classroom instruction incorporates a wide variety of learning modalities and activities to enable all students to reach success. All students study the core subjects: English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. Additionally, students have the opportunity to study world languages, art, music, physical education, health, family and consumer science, computer technology and specialized enrichment classes. A highlight of the seventh-grade instructional program is the annual Outdoor Education Program.

The Willets Road School also maintains a very strong and varied co-curricular program. Some of the diverse club and activity offerings include: After School Study Center, Art, Chamber Orchestra, Chess Club, Concert Chorus, Drama Club, Jazz Band, Mathletes, Math Olympiads, Newspaper Club, Photography Club, Robotics Club, Scrabble Club, Science Club, Student Government, and Yearbook. Seventh grade students are eligible to participate in the Nassau County Interscholastic Sports Program. All of these programs provide students with an opportunity to become involved in school life and to become well-rounded individuals.

In addition to its strong academic program, the Willets Road School focuses on the social/emotional component of middle level education. Many programs and activities have been designed and implemented around our school theme, S.P.A.R.K. – Success, Pride, Action, Respect and Kindness. These tenets provide our students with a set of core values that are constantly being fostered in order to maintain a school environment where everyone feels safe, valued, and cared for. S.P.A.R.K. has proven to be a positive force in improving school culture, while promoting greater academic achievement and enhancing staff and student morale.
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The Wheatley School is an exceptional secondary school enrolling approximately 740 students in grades 8 - 12. Wheatley’s student body is predominantly college bound, and the school prepares students well to meet the challenges they will face when they graduate. A broad spectrum of courses is offered, with honors or accelerated programs in mathematics, science, English, social studies and world languages. Twenty-five Advanced Placement or Dual Enrollment courses in the following subject areas: English language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, world language, business, computers and art, provide students with the opportunity to earn college credits. Research programs in science, mathematics and social science give students the opportunity to enter their work in regional and national competitions. Finally, our partnership with Project Lead The Way permits students to use engineering skills to solve complex problems in a real world context.

Situated on a fifty-acre campus, the physical facilities include an information media center, modern science and computer labs, a student art gallery, a television production studio and a 575-seat auditorium, all of which reflect a school with a serious educational mission. An 1100-seat gymnasium, auxiliary gym/wrestling room and a fitness center support the school’s physical education program, as does an all-weather track, tennis courts, and fields for field hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball and baseball.

Wheatley supports a wide variety of co-curricular activities for students. The school publishes an award-winning newspaper, an annual poetry and art magazine and a yearbook. Students participate in scholastic competitions through mock trial teams, brainstorms, and science and math teams. They provide service to the school and community through a chapter of the Key Club, Inter-Cultural Unity Club, and the Day of Service and Learning. There are also clubs for those students interested in art, music, video production and environmental issues. An active Drama Club and Stage Crew produce at least two school productions each year; there is an involved student government. Traditional class governments, local chapters of the National Honor Society, World Language Honor Societies in French, Spanish and Italian and Tri-M Music Honor Society, along with various other clubs, round out the school’s broad co-curricular programs. Over the past several years, the school has also participated in exchange or abroad programs to France, Italy, Spain and Peru.
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REGISTRATION OF NEW STUDENTS
Parents/legal guardians of students new to the district (other than Kindergarten students) must contact the District Business Office located at The Wheatley School, 11 Bacon Road, Old Westbury, 516-333-1707 for a registration appointment. Proof of residency must be submitted at the time of registration. You can access registration information and forms from the District website at www.ewsdonline.org > Families > Student Registration > District Registration Packet. An appointment with appropriate school building personnel will be made after the registration process. Student placement will be made after a review of official records, any necessary achievement testing and/or evaluation of credits.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
The East Williston School District provides a full-day kindergarten program. A child must be five (5) years of age on or before December 1 in order to enroll. An original birth certificate and a completed immunization record signed by the child’s physician are requested at the time of registration.

Registration for entrance into the September 2020 Kindergarten program will take place on February 11, 12 and 13, 2020 between 3:30 PM and 4:30 PM, in the IMC at The Wheatley School. Please access Kindergarten Registration Information on the District website at www.ewsdonline.org > Families > Student Registration > Kindergarten Registration Information.

DISTRICT-WIDE SCREENING
New York State Education Law requires screening of all new entrants. This includes kindergarten and first grade students who are entering school for the first time. The screening is conducted under the direction of the building principal. Through a grant, the District supports a small early intervention program designed specifically to support incoming kindergartners who may need further support to be reading ready. Parents of students who are identified are contacted soon after the screening process is complete.

TEACHER EFFECTIVENESS RATINGS
As per APPR regulations, parents and/or guardians are entitled to the previous school year’s final rating (i.e. Highly Effective, Effective, Developing or Ineffective) of any individual teacher to which their student is assigned for the current school year. Parents and/or guardians may make their request to their Building Principal.

Superintendent’s Message continued from inside cover
Many other student, school and district recognitions can be viewed by visiting the Superintendent’s weekly newsletters and the news section of the District website at www.ewsdonline.org.

The 2018-19 school year also saw the implementation of the first year of the District’s new Five-Year Strategic Plan. Our Strategic Plan, based on our community’s identified priorities of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), Real-World and Social Emotional Learning, and Facilities and Security, helps to guide our District’s focus.

Last year’s STEM initiative saw implementation of a coding curriculum for all students, grades K-7, and the expansion of the Chromebook initiative to include grades 2-12. This year our STEM offerings will be further enhanced with the introduction of engineering programs for all students in grades K-4 and grade 6 and we continue with the installation of interactive flat screen panels in our classrooms.

Last school year, departments and buildings evaluated the places where Real-World Learning opportunities presently existed in their curriculums and looked to ensure their consistent implementation as well as considering possible new areas for opportunities and interactions with professionals from the outside world. This school year, Real-World Learning will be enhanced through the introduction of new physical education curriculum that includes yoga and mindfulness. Teachers throughout the District will look to make real-world connections for students in all subject areas between what they are learning in class and its application beyond school. Focusing on important real-world health initiatives, Administration will be working alongside our volunteer task force of staff, parents and community members to seek the advice of experts in the field, as we look to help our young people better understand the real-world dangers inherent in electronic cigarettes for themselves and others around them.

Last year, staff members visited a variety of schools and districts in order to make a recommendation for a social and emotional learning framework. for our District. This summer, many of us on the administrative and teaching staff participated in a terrific, intensive four-day staff development workshop led by the Center for Responsive Teaching, to support our selection of the Responsive Classroom. The Responsive Classroom is a philosophical framework that brings together social and academic learning throughout the school day, seeing them as inextricably linked. Staff study and book groups have been taking place over the summer as staff who participated in the workshop share what they learned with building colleagues as well as furthering their own knowledge. I look forward to sharing more with you about this K-12 work in the upcoming year as well as providing specific resources and supports for parents to collaborate with us on this work.

Our Facility and Safety strategic plan priority will see the installation of a safety fence at North Side School as we have now received New York State Education Department approval for the project. Additionally, there will be the completion of the new North Side safety vestibule and field upgrades. Plans are also in progress for a fence at Willets Road School. Plans for the Wheatley Fields and Tennis Court projects have now been submitted to NYSED, after receiving voter approval in May to move ahead with spending the money saved for these projects in the capital reserve funds. We are excited that we anticipate breaking ground for these projects in June 2020 with a completion date during Fall 2020. As we do each year, through our District-wide Safety Committee, with the support of security professionals, we continue to review and update our District-wide Safety Plan on an ongoing basis as needed.

We continue to recognize the central importance of effective home-school communication that fuels collaborative partnerships with families and our community. With this in mind, we are excited that we have staff, parents and community members who have volunteered to share input and work to enhance our communication strategies as part of our recently formed District Communication Task Force. Come this Fall, we will be piloting a District Facebook page, news feeds on our new District website, and some changes in the format of the Superintendent’s Weekly Newsletter as well as enhancements to the buildings’ individual web pages and links for parents and staff to view presentations and videos directly from the Google calendar. As we continue to meet with our Communications Task Force of volunteer parents, staff and community members, we will explore additional ideas including the possibility of virtual workshops for parents and community that can be accessed on the web by demand. If you have ideas about how to further enhance our communication systems, just email me at kanase@ewsdmile.org. I will pass them on to the Task Force. We’d love to hear from you!

I look forward to a terrific new school year and seeing and talking with you at our various school and district events throughout the year. Please keep in touch with your child’s teachers, counselors, support staff, building and district administration, as needed. We are all here to support a successful school experience for you and your children and we truly want to hear from you if you ever have a question, concern or suggestion. On page 5 of this calendar, there is some further information available regarding communicating with staff.

See you soon!

Elaine Kanas, Ed. D
Superintendent of Schools
# December 2019

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GUIDANCE - STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

The East Williston K-12 Guidance Program focuses on a developmental counseling approach dealing with age appropriate issues. The counselors consider the "whole child," encouraging social, emotional and intellectual growth. The comprehensive program encourages students to reach their full potential by supporting them in their efforts to explore numerous options and opportunities. The program is carried out through individual and group approaches at all levels.

COUNSELING

Counseling is the primary guidance service provided at all the schools within the district. Counseling sessions are conducted through classroom presentations, small group gatherings and/or individualized meetings. The student-counselor relationship provides opportunities for students to express their ideas and feelings. They are encouraged to seek information and examine alternate courses of action before making plans and decisions.

STUDENT EVALUATION

Counselors collect, organize and interpret information about individual students from a review of records, past and present achievement, and test scores. Additional information is obtained through conferences with teachers and parents. All of this information is useful in helping students to improve self-understanding and in assisting teachers and others to deal more effectively with individual students.

EDUCATIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL PLANNING

At the high school, interest surveys are administered to help students learn more about themselves. Information is then provided about careers and various opportunities for post-high school education and training. Counselors assist students with college planning and/or vocational exploration. Students and parents can also access valuable college and career information from their personalized Naviance account. Contact Janna Varela Bonacorsi, Director of Guidance, at 333-7631 to obtain your access code.

STUDENT REFERRALS

Counselors may refer students to other school specialists for evaluation and services, as needed. The counselor also serves as a resource person on the Pupil Personnel Services team which includes members of the guidance and administrative staffs, the school psychologist, the school nurse, the school social worker, and other auxiliary staff and teachers.

COMMITMENT TO INDIVIDUALIZED HELP

Our school district has had a long tradition of teachers providing extra help for students. This individual help is one of the major reasons for the academic success experienced by our students. For parents or students who wish more assistance, the school district urges them to explore the matter fully with school personnel. Parents are encouraged to utilize the resources of the school before engaging private tutors.

GUIDANCE

STUDENT RECORDS

Family Education Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA) Notice for Directory Information and Photo Opt Out

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 certain rights: (1) To inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of the day the District receives a request for access; (2) To request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate or misleading; (3) To consent to disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent; (4) To file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education’s Family Policy Compliance Office concerning alleged failures by the district to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal law, requires the East Williston Union Free School District (“the District”) with certain exceptions, to obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child’s education records. However, the District may disclose appropriately designated “directory information” without written consent, unless you have advised the District to the contrary in accordance with District procedures. In addition, two federal laws require school districts receiving assistance under certain federal laws to provide military recruiters, upon request, with the following information – names, addresses and telephone listings – unless parents have advised the Lead Educational Agency (“the District”) that they do not want their student’s information disclosed without their prior written consent. If you do not want the District to disclose directory information from your child’s education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the District in writing by September 6, 2019. The District has designated the following information as directory information: student’s name, address, telephone listing, electronic mail address, photograph, video, date and place of birth, major field of study, dates of attendance, grade level, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, degrees, honors and awards received, the most recent educational agency or institution attended, student ID number, user ID, or other unique personal identifier used to communicate in electronic systems that cannot be used to access education records without a PIN, password, etc. (A student’s SSN, in whole or in part, cannot be used for this purpose.) Please send all written notices to the District c/o Superintendent, 11 Bacon Road, Old Westbury, New York 11568.

Every Student Succeeds Act - Option To Opt Out Of Name Release To Military

Pursuant to the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), school districts must disclose to military recruiters and institutions of higher learning, upon request, the names, addresses and telephone numbers of secondary school students. Parents/guardians may withhold their consent to release the above information to military recruiters and/or institutions of higher learning by contacting the Director of Guidance.

CHILD FIND STATEMENT

The East Williston Union Free School District recognizes its responsibility to provide a free and appropriate public education to eligible students with disabilities within its geographical boundaries. The District has a “child find” process that is designed to locate, identify and evaluate children with disabilities residing within its geographical boundaries preschool through grade 12 or through age 21 if they have not received a high school diploma.

If you know of a child who lives within the boundaries of the East Williston Union Free School District and attends school in the District, who may be in need of special education and/or related services, please contact the District’s Office of Pupil Personnel Services for further information regarding the referral and evaluation process. If the student is a school-age student who attends a non-public private school that is not located within the geographical boundaries of the School District, the student may need to be referred to the school district in which the non-public school is located in order to receive services during the regular school year. Please contact that school district for information regarding time deadlines for requests for services.

The District’s “Child Find” process extends to students with physical or mental impairments that substantially limit a major life activity. Such students may be eligible for services or accommodations pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Section 504 is a Federal civil rights statute that prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities and programs receiving Federal financial assistance. Please contact Dawn Muscarnera, at 333-7506, for more information regarding Section 504 eligibility and services at Wheatley. Please contact Thomas Sposato, at 333-5690, regarding North Side or Willets Road students.

INFORMATION ABOUT SPECIAL EDUCATION & PROGRAMS

The District provides special education services and programs to students with disabilities pursuant to applicable federal and state laws. Any parent or person in parental relation who suspects that his/her child has a disability may refer the child for an evaluation by the District’s Committee on Special Education (CSE) for eligibility for special education services and programs. More detailed information on this process is available in A Parent’s Guide to Special Education, which is published on the New York State Education Department’s website in English at http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/policy/parentguide.htm and in Spanish at http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/policy/spanishparentguide.htm

Parents or persons in parental relation should contact the District’s Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Dr. Lynn Mazza, at 516-333-5690.
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### Important Reminders:
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- Follow us on Twitter @EastWillistonSD!
**SPECIAL EDUCATION**

The focus of the special education program is the individual child. In East Williston, the same high standards that are set for non-special education students are applied to children with special education needs. Students with educational disabilities are integral members of the school community.

Students suspected of having an educational disability may be referred to the district’s Committee on Special Education (CSE). After parental consent has been obtained, the referred child receives a comprehensive evaluation, which includes psychological, educational and other assessments, as needed. The Committee and its determinations are subject to the legal mandates of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and other relevant state and federal regulations. Members of the Committee may include the chairperson, a psychologist, a special education teacher, a speech/language pathologist, the child’s teacher, the child’s parent(s), and a parent member. Parents who would like to know more about the Committee on Special Education and how it pertains to them should request the booklet, *Special Education in New York. State for Children Ages 3-21: A Parents Guide*, from the Chairperson of the Committee on Special Education, Thomas Sposato, at 333-5690.

Students who are classified as having an educational disability are eligible for appropriate programs and services to remediate and support the student’s learning and performance of targeted skills.

Services follow a continuum that may include the programs listed in the box to the right.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS:**

**RELATED SERVICES**

Speech, occupational therapy, physical therapy and counseling are provided for students who demonstrate deficits in these areas.

**DIRECT/INDIRECT CONSULTANT TEACHER**

Specially designed individualized or group instruction is provided by a certified special education teacher to a student with a disability in that student’s regular education class or consultation with the student’s regular education teachers.

**RESOURCE ROOM**

A special education program provided to a student with a disability registered in a special class or regular education class who is in need of specialized supplementary instruction in an individual or small group setting for a portion of the school day.

**INTEGRATED CO-TEACHING**

This program serving special education and regular education students is co-taught by two teachers, a general education and special education teacher. Specialized instruction, individualized and small group instruction in remedial and subject content areas are implemented. Integrated co-teaching may be in a specific subject area or in multiple areas as appropriate for students.

**SPECIAL CLASS**

Specially designed instruction is provided to a class of students with disabilities who have been grouped together because of similar individual needs.

**LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM**

This is a self-contained class for students with moderate to severe delays in academic and developmental areas. Specialized instruction is provided in functional academic and life skills to prepare students for vocational and adult life. Opportunities for inclusion in the school community are offered for individual students, as appropriate.

**OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES INCLUDE:**

**ADAPTED PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

A specially designed program of developmental activities, games, sports and rhythms is suited to the interests, capacities and limitations of students with disabilities who require this specialization.

**PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES**

School psychologists work closely with all personnel at the elementary, middle and high school levels. Teachers, parents, and guidance personnel may make referrals for psychological evaluation. Their responsibilities include the administration of individual psychological tests, consultation with staff members and parents, individual and group counseling, and crisis intervention. They also chair the building-level Child Study/Pupil Personnel Services Teams and serve as liaisons to outside agencies and professionals.

**HOME/HOSPITAL INSTRUCTION**

Instruction must be recommended by the CSE as the Least Restrictive Environment for a student with disabilities. Appropriate instructional and related services are provided for the individual student.

**PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION**

If parents suspect that a preschool child has a developmental disability, a referral can be made to the district’s Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE). Once a written referral is made, the parents are able to have their child assessed at a county approved evaluation site. If a disability is found, appropriate services or programs can be provided at no cost to the family. For additional information, parents should contact CPSE Chairperson Thomas Sposato at 333-5690.

**ENGLISH AS A NEW LANGUAGE (ENL)**

ENL teachers in each of the three schools provide English instruction and content area support to students for whom English is not a native language. When students who speak a different language at home enter school in the United States for the first time, they are screened to determine the need for ENL services. Services then continue until students reach proficiency on a state ENL assessment. Transitional support is provided for students recently exited from the program.

**NOTIFICATION OF HOMELESS STUDENT POLICY**

The District recognizes its responsibility to identify homeless children within the district, encourage their enrollment and eliminate barriers to their education which may exist in district practices.

For further information contact the Homeless Child Liaison, Janna Varela Bonacorsi at 516-333-7631 or by email at varelabonacorsij@ewsdmail.org.
## February 2020

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*Winter Concert #3* | Session Wheatley Room 450 | Wheatley/Willetts Road *Winter Concert #4* | 09:00 PM - 9:00 PM | 09:00 PM - 9:00 PM | 09:00 PM - 9:00 PM | (snow day make-up #4)
Wheatley Auditorium 7:30 PM | 7:30 PM | WH Auditorium 7:30 PM | (Snow Date 2/12) | (Snow Date) | Valentine’s Day | (snow day make-up #3)
| | | | In-Person Voter Registration for Annual School Election Wheatley Lobby 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM | In-Person Voter Registration for Annual School Election Wheatley Lobby 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM | In-Person Voter Registration for Annual School Election Wheatley Lobby 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM | (snow day make-up #2)
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SCHOOL NURSE

The primary role of the School Nurse is to promote the health and safety of the East Williston school community and enhance the well being of all students and staff. Our School Nurses are available to provide counseling and serve as a resource for health-related matters and coordinate and conduct all activities related to the delivery of medical services.

FIRST AID

New York State Education Law allows for the administering of first aid by School Nurses and by any other staff members who have been trained in first aid. First aid is defined as the immediate, temporary care given to the victim of an accident or illness. School Nurses, or any other school personnel, are not permitted to render care beyond First Aid (e.g. wounds may not be re-bandaged). The care that is rendered is limited to the first aid protocols that have been approved by the District’s School Physician. (1) If an accident or illness occurs, first aid will be rendered and parents will be notified as necessary. (2) If emergency medical attention is needed and a parent cannot be reached, the individuals designated by the parents as emergency contacts will be called. (3) In the event that neither a parent nor the emergency contact is available, the child will be transported, by ambulance, to a local hospital and will be accompanied by a district representative. (4) In the event a student who reports to the Health Office is determined to have a communicable disease, or if a child is kept home because of a communicable disease, a physician’s note will be required for the child to return to school.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL

School district policies regarding communicable diseases have been developed in accordance with New York State Health Regulations. In order to prevent the spread of communicable disease and to promote a rapid recovery with a minimum of after effects, children who exhibit the following symptoms should be kept at home and not sent to school: sneezing (except allergies) sore throat, earache, upset stomach, enlarged glands, coughing, severe headaches, fever or chills, red or discharging eyes, nose discharges and skin disease. If these symptoms develop into any communicable disease, other than the common cold, parents are asked to notify their School Nurse immediately. Your child must be fever and symptom free for a full day before returning to school and be off all fever reducing medicine for one full day as well. At the elementary school, when an exposure to a communicable disease has occurred in a classroom, written notices are sent home to advise parents. Repeat notices are not sent for successive cases of the same illness. No written notice is sent home at the middle and high school levels, except upon the advice of our school physician.

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION DURING SCHOOL HOURS

New York State Education and Public Health Law strictly forbid the administration of any prescribed or over-the-counter medications without a physician’s order and parent permission.

For children requiring medication during the school day, a parental consent form and physician’s order must be on file in the Health Office. Medication, properly labeled and in its original container, must be brought to school by the parent. No medication can be given unless this procedure is followed. These procedures cover prescription and over the counter medications. Required forms are located on the website or at each of the health offices.

HEALTH RECORDS, MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS & SCREENINGS

In order to promote the physical wellbeing of all children, New York State Education Law requires proof of immunization against childhood diseases before children can be enrolled in school and mandates certain medical examinations and screenings.

Immunizations

On June 13, 2019, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed legislation removing non-medical exemptions from school vaccination requirements for children. There is no longer a religious exemption to the requirement that children be vaccinated against measles and other diseases to attend either: (1) public, private or parochial school (for students in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade), or (2) child day care settings.

A physician’s certificate or written statement, with exact dates, that indicate that the child is sufficiently immunized to attend school. It is the parents’ responsibility to provide proof of immunization to the School Nurse. In the event that proof of immunization is not provided or a child does not complete an immunization series, NYS law mandates that the child shall be excluded from attending school until such time as proof of immunization is provided or the series is resumed.

For additional information please contact the school nurse at:

North Side Health Office: 516-333-6970
Willets Road Health Office: 516-333-8054
Wheatley Health Office: 516-333-7403

Medical Examinations

Annual medical examinations are required of all students in grades K, 2, 4, 7 and 10 and for all new entrants to the East Williston UFSD. Scoliosis screening, Body Mass Index (BMI) and Health Appraisal Form. (it is recommended, however, that all children receive an annual medical and dental examination.) The family private physician’s report must be returned to your child’s Health Office no later than October 31. Failure to provide this information will result in having the child examined by the school physician.

Sports Examinations

Students in grades 7 through 12 who are interested in participating in the District’s Interscholastic Athletic Program for the school year, must have an approved medical examination performed by either the School Physician or a family physician. A report of the medical examination performed by the family physician must be completed on the district form, which must be submitted to the school nurse for review and approval. The School Physician will be available to conduct sports physicals in August and September of each year. Each sports season, students must complete and return a parent consent and medical update form. Coaches, at their pre-season team meetings, will distribute these forms. These forms are also available in the Health Offices, the Athletic Director’s Office and on the district website at www.ewsdonline.org. (Click on Athletics on left side navigation bar > then click on Athletic Forms.)

Concussion Management

Effective July 1, 2012, the NYSED concussion rule in place for all sports states, “If an athlete displays signs, symptoms, or behaviors that are consistent with a concussion, they will be removed from the game and will not be allowed to return until cleared by an appropriate health care professional”. NYSED policy on “cleared by an appropriate health care professional”: New York State only permits the school medical officer to clear an athlete to return to play after removal from a game for exhibiting the signs/symptoms of a concussion. The District will utilize the NYSPEHSAA guidelines for return to play following a concussion. Please go to the links listed on the Athletic page on the district website to view details about concussions.

Health Screenings

Annual vision screenings will be conducted by the school nurses for students in grades K-3, 5, 7 and 10. A color perception test will be administered once by the school nurse to all Kindergarten students and new entrants. An annual hearing screening will be conducted for students in grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7 and 10. Children between the ages of 10 and 14 are also required to be screened for scoliosis annually. Parents will be advised of the results of these screenings in the event the need for a referral to a private physician is indicated. When treatment by a family’s private physician is initiated, parents are requested to provide the school nurse with a note, signed by the physician, that the child is under a physician’s care.

MEDICAL EXCUSES FROM PE & ATHLETICS

Any injury or illness that limits or curtails a student’s participation in physical education and the athletic program must be docu-
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MEDICAL SERVICES  
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MEDICAL EXCUSES FROM PE & ATHLETICS
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HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION
Students who are unable to attend school for reasons of illness, accident, or handicapping conditions may be entitled to home instruction. The projected absence must be for a minimum of three weeks in order for home instruction to be instituted. A doctor’s note indicating the projected time of absence should be submitted to the building Principal at the North Side School and to the student’s guidance counselor at the Willets Road and Wheatley Schools. Further questions should be directed to the Administrator of Educational Services (876-4722).

SAFETY AND ACCIDENT PREVENTION
All cases of injury should be reported to the school nurse. The school nurse will fill out an accident report. If you have questions concerning the report or if your child failed to report an accident, please contact the school nurse as soon as possible. These procedures have been established to promote safety and protect the health of children in our school district. Suggestions in the areas of safety and accident prevention are always welcome.

To ensure vehicle and pedestrian safety, traffic speed inhibitors have been installed at our schools. When passing over these clearly marked raised speed bumps, it is important to proceed at a very slow pace.

SPORTS SEASONS 2019-20
Modified Program - Grades 7 and 8

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FACILITIES and GROUNDS

NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS – REMINDER
Please understand that school fields, including tracks, tennis courts, baseball fields, etc. are not available during school hours or while school programs are taking place.

NOTICE
For information regarding the use of East Williston School District’s buildings and grounds and SchoolDude/FSDirect login info, including the application for paid permits for the use of the buildings or grounds, please contact Nicholas Fusco, Director of School Facilities & Operations, at 333-2559.

Smoke-Free Schools
A smoke-free environment is necessary for the health and welfare of students and adults in the schools. Therefore, e-cigarettes, smoking tobacco or other substances is not permitted by staff members, visitors, or students anywhere in any school building, on school grounds, in a school authorized vehicle to transport students or adults, or at a school sponsored function held in another facility. Possession of cigarettes, e-cigarettes, cigars, matches, lighters, or other smoking related items is also discouraged in these places. All staff members, visitors, and students found smoking in a school building, on school grounds, in a school authorized vehicle to transport students or adults, or at any school sponsored activity will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action according to applicable Board of Education policies, collective bargaining agreements, and/or applicable law. (Effective September 18, 2017)

Wheatley Tennis Courts
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Use of School Facilities and Grounds
Education Law and the Board of Education policy regulate the Use of School Facilities by non-school groups. Requests for the Use of School Facilities can be accessed via SchoolDude District website > Families > SchoolDude. From this page you can access the log in page and the community usage calendar page. SchoolDude applications for usage for the fall, September 1 to December 31, must be filed by August 15; for use of facilities from January 1 through August 31, the application must be filed by December 10. All applications received after these dates will be reviewed individually in terms of space availability. Please be sure you have an approved permit and insurance on file before making plans. Fees may be charged according to current district policy.

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If you anticipate enrollment of your child in a private or parochial school in September 2020, even though your child has not been accepted as of April 1st, a written request for transportation should be made to the Transportation Office of the East Williston UFSD at this time.

DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL TO VERIFY.
STUDENT DRIVERS

Eligible juniors and seniors at The Wheatley School must apply for driving privileges at the school’s main office. **Eligibility Requirements for driving to school:**

1. Possession of a senior driver’s license issued by the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles (Class D);
2. Parental permission;
3. Maintenance of satisfactory academic, attendance and behavioral records; and
4. Parent and student attendance at the “Driving in the Safe Lane” Program.

**Procedure:**

(a) The student will obtain a contract from the school administration, complete it, and return it to the school. This will include the (i) written approval for his/her parking at school from his/her parent or guardian and (ii) an agreement to follow all the rules and regulations as specified in this Regulation;
(b) The student and a parent/guardian must attend a mandatory orientation meeting, “Driving in the Safe Lane” Program;
(c) The student is required to sign up for Remind.com Emergency Notifications; and
(d) When the above conditions are met, a parking permit in the form of a sticker will be issued which will be valid in the north (gym) parking lot.

UNASSIGNED TIME/OFF-CAMPUS PRIVILEGES

Wheatley students whose schedules contain one or more unassigned periods are encouraged to use the time for study in the Information Media Center; for meeting with a peer tutor, counselor or teacher; or, for relaxation in the student commons, the cafeteria or on school grounds. Twelfth graders who meet eligibility requirements can be approved for off campus privileges during lunch and/or unassigned time.

**Eligibility Requirements for Off-Campus Privileges:**

(a) maintaining satisfactory academic, attendance and behavioral records;
(b) having a signed off-campus privilege form on file; and
(c) attendance at the required “Driving in the Safe Lane” meeting with a parent or guardian.

The Wheatley administration retains the right to revoke off-campus privileges of those students who do not meet some or all of the aforementioned requirements.

DISTRICT STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The district provides a limited student accident insurance policy to cover some of the medical costs related to accidental injury. Note that the plan covers only accident. If your child becomes ill during school, this plan does not cover related medical expenses.

Students are covered while attending school during school hours; attending school-sponsored and school supervised activities during the school term; and travelling directly to and from school for either of the above.

The accident insurance plan is an excess coverage plan; i.e., any claim must first be considered and acted upon by claimant’s own insurance company, if any.

In the event of a school activity related incident:

(a) Promptly notify the school nurse.
(b) Submit a claim to your insurance carrier (if any)
(c) Consult the school nurse about the process for making any “excess claim under the school district’s insurance policy
(d) File a claim under the school district’s insurance policy for only those expenses not paid under your own insurance

EAST WILLISTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION/WHEATLEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Organized by a group of school district residents in 1993, the East Williston Education Foundation was established for the purpose of providing additional financial support to the school district. This non-profit organization has been incorporated and approved by the State Education Department. Additional information may be obtained by writing the foundation at 11 Bacon Road, Old Westbury, New York 11568.

The Wheatley Scholarship fund provides monetary grants to students who are having difficulty meeting increasing college costs. Since 1957, the Fund has awarded scholarships to students who, without this assistance, might not be able to attend college. Since its inception, awards of approximately $300,000 have been granted to college undergraduates in our district. The Fund awards are available to district residents who graduate from The Wheatley School and private or parochial high school.

The Fund is supported by contributions, both large and small. Many contributors’ donations are specifically designated to honor the memory of special people or events in their lives. In addition, the trustees of the Fund undertake a number of fundraising efforts each year.

The awards made by the Fund are based entirely on financial need, and scholarship applicants must file for all forms of federal, state and institutional aid before being considered for a grant. In addition, they must respond in writing to a series of questions. All applications for funds are reviewed in a confidential manner. Direct your inquiries to Janna Varela Bonacorsi, the scholarship liaison at 333-7631.

ADULT EDUCATION 2019-20

The District offers residents an opportunity to participate in Adult Education courses through a partnership with the Roslyn and Herrick’s School Districts. Registration for fall courses will begin September 2019 and registration for most spring courses will begin February 2020. Catalogs will be mailed home and posted on the district website. For additional information call 516-801-5091.

DRIVER EDUCATION

Driver Education will be available to all qualified students for the 2019-20 school year.

The fall program runs from September 2019 through January 2020. Students must be 16 years of age by August 31, 2019.


Driving classes are scheduled during free periods, or one day a week after school. Lecture classes are one morning a week before school, one day a week after school, or in the evening.

Grade and age will determine entrance into the program with the oldest students given preference until enrollment is filled. There is a fee for enrollment in this self-sustaining program payable in advance to the East Williston Union Free School District.
May 2020

**Saturday, May 1**
- SAT at Wheatley 8:00 AM

**Sunday, May 2**
- North Side Incoming Kindergarten Parent Orientation 7:00 PM

**Monday, May 3**
- Willets Road Grade 5 Parent Orientation WR Media Center 7:00 PM

**Tuesday, May 4**
- Joint North Side, Willets Road & Wheatley PTO Meeting WR Media Center 7:30 PM

**Wednesday, May 5**
- Board of Education Work Session Wheatley Room 7:30 PM

**Thursday, May 6**
- Coffee with the PPS Director Room 450 10:00 AM
- East Williston Education Foundation Simmons Awards Coffee House Wheatley Cafeteria 7:00 PM
- In-Person Voter Registration for Annual School Election WH Lobby 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Friday, May 7**
- Wheatley Mandatory Seniors & Parents Meeting 7:00 AM
- North Side’s Grade 4 Orientation Visit to Willets Road 9:30 AM
- Willets Road (Grade 6) Friday Night Recreation 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Saturday, May 8**
- Wheatley/Willets Road Recreation 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Sunday, May 9**
- Wheatley/Willets Road *Spring Concert #1* WH Auditorium 7:30 PM
- Wheatley SW’s Picnic

**Monday, May 10**
- Public Budget Hearing 7:30 PM followed by Anticipated Public Session Board of Education Meeting Wheatley Auditorium 8:00 PM

**Tuesday, May 11**
- In-Person Voter Registration for Annual School Election North Side 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM
- North Side Incoming Kindergarten Parent Orientation 7:00 PM

**Wednesday, May 12**
- Willets Road Drama Club Production WR Gymatorium 7:00 PM

**Thursday, May 13**
- Joint North Side, Willets Road & Wheatley PTO Meeting WR Media Center 7:30 PM

**Friday, May 14**
- Wheatley Road PTO Staff Luncheon

**Saturday, May 15**
- Annual Concert on the Green EW’s Village Green Joint Concert Wheatley Symphonic Band & Willets Road Wind Ensemble 6:30 PM
- Willets Road (Grade 5) Friday Night Recreation 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Sunday, May 16**
- Joint North Side, Willets Road & Wheatley PTO Meeting WR Media Center 7:30 PM

**Monday, May 17**
- Board of Education Annual Meeting Budget and School Board Candidate Vote (1 Seat) Wheatley Gymnasium 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM

**Tuesday, May 18**
- **AP Testing at Wheatley**

**Wednesday, May 19**
- Board Of Education Annual Meeting Budget and School Board Candidate Vote (1 Seat) Wheatley Gymnasium 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM

**Thursday, May 20**
- Wheatley PTO Bake Sale Wheatley/Willets Road 7:00 PM
- Spring Concert #1 WH Auditorium 7:30 PM
- Wheatley SW’s Picnic

**Friday, May 21**
- Wheatley Academic Awards Evening Wheatley Auditorium 7:00 PM
- Willets Road PTO Spring Bake Sale

**Saturday, May 22**
- Willets Road (Grade 7) Friday Night Recreation 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Sunday, May 23**
- Eid al-Fitr

**Monday, May 24**
- **SCHOOLS CLOSED**

**Tuesday, May 25**
- Mother’s Day

**Wednesday, May 26**
- Wheatley/Willets Road *Spring Concert #2* Wheatley Auditorium 7:30 PM
- Wheatley SW’s Banquet

**Thursday, May 27**
- Wheatley Vintage Coffee and Tea House 7:00 PM

**Friday, May 28**
- Wheatley Connections Dance 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- North Side Grade 3 Chorus Concert NS Auditorium
- Willets Road (Make-Up) Friday Night Recreation 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- North Side School Sprint Day

**Saturday, May 29**
- Wheatley PTO Color Run

**Sunday, May 30**
- **Sunday School Closed**

**Monday, May 31**
- DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE, PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL TO VERIFY.

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**Important Reminders:**
- Visit the District website at [www.ewsdonline.org](http://www.ewsdonline.org) for District updates, information and news!
- Follow us on Twitter @EastWillistonSD!
TRANSPORTATION

Bus routes are planned based on the Board of Education's Administrative Regulation Number 8410. "Eligibility and Procedures for Bus transportation between Home and School for District Resident Students". Copies of these guidelines are available in the Transportation Office.

Residents are encouraged to contact the Transportation Office with questions and concerns about school transportation. During the first two weeks of School, no bus stop changes will be made except in cases of hazardous situations which will be acted upon immediately.

Requests for a review of decisions of the Director of Facilities may be directed to the Assistant Superintendent for Business. A resident may request further review of the Assistant Superintendent's decision by the Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

Parental cooperation in developing good habits in our students when boarding, riding on, and leaving buses helps to maintain the high level of bus service in the district. Parents need to be aware of the dangers of drawstrings and loose fitting clothing. Students whose conduct on buses or at bus stops jeopardizes the welfare and safety of others may be deprived of the use of buses. We urge parents to discuss the following bus rider rules with their children.

AT THE BUS STOP

1. Plan to arrive five minutes ahead of schedule.
2. Remain on the sidewalk or pre-assigned area 15 feet from the bus.
3. Keep off lawns and away from shrubs.
4. Form a line to board the bus 15 feet from the boarding location. Remain standing still until the bus comes to a full stop and the door opens.
5. Move to the rear of the bus and take a seat immediately; three students to a seat for North Side and Willets Road and two students to a seat for Wheatley. Kindergarteners should sit in the front of the bus.
6. Carry-on backpacks, instruments, etc. are to be placed on student’s lap or under the seat.

ON THE BUS

1. Leave the adjustments of windows to the driver.
2. Keep head and arms inside the bus at all times.
3. Avoid unnecessary noise or confusion. Remain seated at all times until the bus comes to a full stop at your bus stop.
4. In an emergency, follow the instructions of the bus driver.
5. No eating, drinking or smoking on the bus.
6. Be courteous.

GOING HOME

1. Take a seat in the rear of the bus if you are the last to get off. Take a seat in the front of the bus if you get out first.
2. Students are to cross the highways at a distance of ten feet in front of the bus so the driver can see them. Students must wait in an area protected by the bus until the driver signals the student that it is safe to cross.
3. Once off the bus, immediately move 15 feet away from the curb and the wheels of the bus.

SEAT BELTS

State and school policy does not require students to use seat belts on school buses. Although seat belt instruction is provided, the district treats the use of seat belts as a matter of personal choice for parents and their children.

VISITOR PROTOCOL

The following procedures are in place to support the safety of our students and staff:
- Enter through the designated visitor entrance
- Present identification
- State purpose of visit for verification
- Wear district provided ID when in the building

(All visitors will be escorted to and from their designation)

SPECIAL NOTICE: NORTH SIDE STUDENT PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF

Andrews Road, on the eastern side of North Side, is the designated area for the discharge and pickup of students who are being driven to and/or from the school. This is the safest area to discharge and/or pick up children. There is a safety monitor in the morning who guides the children up the walkway to school. In the afternoon, a teacher walks the children down the same path. Please do not make u-turns on this street, block residents' driveways or double park. We ask that you set a good example for our children by being courteous to fellow motorists and residents of this street. The safety of our children is our number one priority. Please drop-off and/or pick up your child and move on in a timely fashion. This will allow traffic to move smoothly, will provide for the maximum safety of our children and provide the least amount of inconvenience to local residents.

SPECIAL NOTICE: WILLETS ROAD WALKERS & STUDENT PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF

For students who walk to school:
Between 7:15 AM and 8:00 AM there will be a single point of entry for all students at the bus drop-off entrance located in the front parking lot on the east side of the school building. Students are asked to practice good safety and use the sidewalks and paths surrounding the campus to enter and exit the building. Students who walk to school will proceed to the east side of the school building to the walk-way and enter the school building via the bus entrance.

For students who are driven to and from school and other vehicular traffic:
1. Between the hours of 7:15 AM and 8:00 AM all student drop off including morning clubs and activities will be in the rear of the building via the School House Lane Entrance. A supervised traffic circle is there to ensure the safety of you and your child. We ask that you pull up to the walkway and we will unload three cars at a time to ensure that the line moves quickly and students arrive to class on time via the music door entrance. Please drive with extreme caution as there are many children who walk to Willets Road along School House Lane and enter the campus via the back of the school. Please note: There will be no student drop-off in the front of the school during this time.
2. Between the hours of 8:00 AM and 2:30 PM all visitors to Willets Road, including those picking up or dropping off items, must park in the designated visitor parking spots located in the first parking section of the front parking lot. Due to fire and safety regulations, vehicles are not allowed to park in the fire lane that is designated by the yellow curb line.
3. All students will be dismissed via the school bus entrance at the conclusion of the school day. Students who walk will take the safety walk-way to the front of the school to cross I.U. Willets Road with the crossing guard. Students who are picked up by car will take the safety walk-way to the rear parking lot, School House Lane entrance, to be picked up. The I.U. Willets Road entrance of the school will be closed from 2:30 PM to 3:05 PM. Only school buses will be permitted into the lot during that time.
4. Do not make a u-turn at any time while on the campus. Please follow the traffic lines painted on the pavement to insure your own safety and the safety of others.

The safety of our children is our number one priority.
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July 2020

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## Important Reminders:

- Board of Education Tax Levy and Anticipated Public Session
- Board of Education Meeting
- Wheatley Auditorium 7:30 PM (tentative - subject to change)

### August 2020 Calendar

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CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM: EXEMPTION

The East Williston School District applied for an exemption from a breakfast program at the North Side School during the 2016-17 school year. The result of a survey completed in April 2017 resulted in a negative response of 82.41%; that is, 267 of the responses indicated they would not have their children participate in a breakfast program at the North Side School. As a result, the district received an exemption for the 2017-18 school year from the Child Nutrition Program Administration in Albany.

A PARENTS RIGHT TO KNOW: TITLE I

At the beginning of each school year, school districts receiving Title I funds must let parents know their rights. One of these is the right to know the professional qualifications of their child’s classroom teachers. Such information must include:

- Whether a teacher has State certification for the grade levels and subjects he or she is teaching;
- The teacher’s baccalaureate degree major and any other certifications or degrees; and
- Whether their child receives services from paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications. Schools receiving Title I funds must also give parents timely notice:
  - If their child has been assigned to a teacher of a core academic subject who is not “highly qualified,” or
  - If their child has been taught for four or more weeks in a row by a teacher of a core academic subject who is not “highly qualified.”

ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

Nicholas Fusco, Director of Facilities III, is the official designee for asbestos monitoring and abatement activities. Asbestos Management Plans (AMPs) which provide comprehensive information on asbestos bearing materials are located in his office and are available for public inspection, upon request. Every six months the district conducts a visual asbestos surveillance of each building in adherence to AHERA regulations.

PESTICIDE INFORMATION

New York State Education Law Section 409-h requires all public and non-public elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year.

The East Williston School District is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relations, faculty and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notice of certain pesticide applications.

If you would like to receive 48-hour prior written notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please complete the Pesticide Notification Form which you can download from the District website at [www.ewsdonline.org > Departments > Facilities & Operations > Pesticide Notification Form] or obtain from the Facilities and Operations Office and/or each of the individual school main offices. Complete the form and return it to the pesticide representative:

Nicholas Fusco, Director of Facilities III
East Williston School District
11 Bacon Road
Old Westbury, New York 11568

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Fusco at 516-333-2559

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The school cafeterias operate on a self-sustaining basis by a food service management company. Hot and cold balanced lunches are available at all three schools. Sandwiches and various a la carte items may also be purchased. Breakfast is available at the Willets Road School and The Wheatley School. The District participates in the National School Lunch Program. Residents with limited incomes may be eligible for free breakfast and lunch for their children. Complete information and applications for the program are available at each school and on the District website at [www.ewsdonline.org > Families > Lunch Information]. Applications are treated with confidentiality, and the anonymity of the participating students will be protected.

Parents/guardians may establish a pre-paid meal account for their child, thus eliminating the need to bring money every day. Parent/guardian may also create an online account with MySchoolBucks.com to make payments and view student lunch activity.

Menus can be found on the District website at [www.ewsdonline.org > Departments > Food & Nutrition]. Menus are provided to not only inform parents of the lunch served each day but to help in planning the home evening meal. We encourage parents to discuss with their children the value of good nutrition and responsibility for good eating habits while away from home.

MAKE-UP SCHOOL DAYS DUE TO EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS

In the event that school is closed for more than 3 days due to emergency/inclement weather, the District will need to schedule make-up days. The following days have been identified as possible make-up days to be used in the order as listed:

- February 21, 2020
- February 20, 2020
- February 19, 2020
- February 18, 2020

In the unusual event that additional make-up days are needed, the District will take days from April break.

Learning for a Lifetime
[www.ewsdonline.org]
The Class of 2019 received acceptances from the following colleges and universities. Students will be attending colleges in boldface.

Adelphi University
Adelphi University (School of Nursing)
Alfred University
Alvernia University
American University
Barry University
Baruch College of the CUNY
Binghamton University
Binghamton University (School of Management)
Binghamton University (Watson School of Engineering & Applied Science)
Boston College
Boston College (College of Arts & Sciences)
Boston University
Brandeis University
Brooklyn College of the CUNY
Central Connecticut State University
Champlain College
College of Charleston
College of Mount Saint Vincent
City College of New York CUNY
Clemson University
Colorado College
Columbia University
Cornell University
Cornell University (College of Ag & Life Sciences)
CUNY-Macaulay Honors College
D'Youville College
Delaware State University
Drexel University
Duke University
East Carolina University
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - Daytona Beach
Emerson College
Emmanuel College
Emory University
Fairfield University
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Metropolitan Campus
Farmington State College
Fashion Institute of Technology
Fiorito H. LaGuardia Community College of the CUNY
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida Southern College
Fordham University
Franklin Pierce University
George Mason University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gettysburg College
Gonzaga University
Hamlin College - NY
Hartwick College
High Point University
Hofstra University
Indiana University at Bloomington
Indiana University at Bloomington (Kelley School of Business)
Iona College
Ithaca College
John Jay College of Criminal Justice of the CUNY
John Hopkins University
Johnson & Wales University (Providence)
Keuka College
Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Lehigh University (Business & Economics)
LIM College (Laboratory Institute of Merchandising)
Long Island University, Brooklyn
Long Island University, Post
Louisiana State University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University Maryland
Loyola University New Orleans
Lynn University
Manhattan College
Marist College
Marymount Manhattan College
Marymount University
McGill University
Mercy College - All Campuses
Michigan State University
Molloy College
Monmouth University
Montclair State University
Mount Saint Mary College
Mount St. Mary's University - Maryland
Nassau Community College
New Jersey Institute of Technology
New York Institute of Technology
New York University
New York University (College of Arts and Science)
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Northeastern University (Bouve College of Health Sciences)
Northeastern University (College of Engineering)
Northwestern University
Nova Southeastern University
Old Dominion University
 Pace University, New York City
Pennsylvania State University
Pennsylvania State University (Smeal College of Business)
Pitzer College
Pratt Institute
Purchase College, SUNY
Queens College of the CUNY
Queensborough Community College of the CUNY
Quinnipiac University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rider University
Roanoke College
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rochester Institute of Technology (College of Business)
Roger Williams University
Rollins College
Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Sacred Heart University
Sacred Heart University (University College)
Saint Joseph's University
Saint Michael's College
San Diego State University
Savannah College of Art and Design
School of Visual Arts
Seattle University
Seton Hall University
St. Bonaventure University
St. John's University
St. John's University (College of Pharmacy and Allied Health)
Stanford University
State University of New York at New Paltz
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stony Brook University
Stony Brook University (Honors College)
Stony Brook University (Women in Science and Engineering)
SUNY Albany
SUNY Alfred State College
SUNY Binghamton University
SUNY College at Geneseo
SUNY College at Old Westbury
SUNY College at Oneonta
SUNY Maritime College
SUNY Oswego
SUNY Plattsburgh
Syracuse University
Syracuse University (School of Management)
Tampa University
Texas A&M University
Texas A&M University (Commerce)
The College of Saint Rose
The Culinary Institute of America - NY (Main Campus)
The George Washington University
The New School - All Divisions
The Ohio State University
The Sage Colleges
The University of Akron
The University of Alabama
The University of Arizona
The University of Tampa
The University of Texas at Austin
Towson University
Tufts University
Tulane University
University at Buffalo The State University of New York
University of Bridgeport
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of Central Florida
University of Colorado at Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware (Delaware)
University of Delaware (Honors Program)
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Hartford
University of Hawaii at Manoa
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Massachusetts, Boston
University of Massachusetts, Lowell
University of Miami
University of Miami (School of Business Administration)
University of Michigan
University of Michigan (Ross School of Business)
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
University of New Hampshire at Durham
University of New Haven
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
University of North Florida
University of Oregon
University of the Ozarks
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of South Carolina
University of South Florida, Tampa
University of Washington
University of Vermont
University of Wisconsin, Madison
University of Wisconsin, Madison (College of Letters & Science)
University of Virginia (School of Engineering)
Utica College
Vanderbilt University
Vanguard College of Aeronautics and Technology
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Tech
Washington College
Washington University in St. Louis
West Chester University
West Virginia University
Widener University
Wilkes University
Williams College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Xavier University
Yale University
York College of the CUNY

### College Placement Record

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In the morning, students may enter the building through the Main Entrance (aka, the “Glass Doors”) or the gymnasium entrance (aka, the “Red Doors”). The Main Entrance will be available for parent drop-off until 7:20 AM (at which time the district buses use the Main Entrance Bus Circle for drop-off). After this time, parents should drop students off at the Red Doors. The Red Doors entrance will be available for parent drop-off from 7:15 AM until 7:50 AM.

All students are required to use their valid student ID to tap into our security kiosks. If a student does not have a valid ID, he or she must enter through the Main Entrance in order to receive a temporary ID.

The Red Doors will not be open for entry past 7:50 AM. Student drivers with a valid school ID will also be able to use the Red Doors for entrance in the morning. Beyond 7:50 AM, however, they will need to walk to the Main Entrance.
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Nurse .................................................. Margaret Troeko ....................................... 333-6851
Psychologist ...................................... Dr. Suzanne Nolan-McNamara ..................... 333-6191
Speech Pathologist .............................. Bonnie Klein ............................................. 333-5159

WILLETS ROAD SCHOOL
Principal ............................................. Christine Dragone ..................................... 333-8797
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CENTRAL CALENDAR & PUBLIC INFORMATION
The East Williston Union Free School District maintains a central calendar. The purpose of the calendar is to keep an updated record of all events that occur in the district’s three schools, especially those scheduled after the printing of the District Calendar. Anyone (administrator, staff member, district resident) scheduling an event during the year is urged to contact Melissa Byrns at the Public Information Office, by telephone, 333-2829 or by email, byrmsm@ewsmdail.org, to record the date and avoid unnecessary conflicts. Updates and changes are made to the District website calendar. Sign up and follow us on twitter also @EastWillistonSD. Also, photographs & videos of students are part of the public information program. Parental permission is assumed unless you contact Melissa Byrns at byrmsm@ewsmdail.org or by writing to the Superintendent of Schools no later than September 6, 2019. For any questions, comments, or concerns please contact Melissa Byrns. 333-2829.

Have a Question or Concern?
The East Williston School District supports strong home/school connection as an important key to our students’ success. If you have a question or concern, whom should you contact? Concerns or questions regarding your child’s educational experience are best directed first to his or her classroom teacher who will be able to most directly and specifically answer your question and likely be best able to clarify or resolve any concerns. If you need more information, or your questions or concerns have not been resolved, a next step is to contact the building administration, or at the middle school or high school level, your child’s guidance counselor or the building administration, depending on the concern or question. If you feel your questions have still not been adequately addressed or resolved during the previous communications, please contact the Dr. Danielle Gately Assistant Superintendent of Instruction & Personnel. If you still need help contact the Superintendent of Schools. The final level of contact is the Board of Education. If you have questions regarding whom to contact, call the Superintendent’s Office at 333-3758.

*The activities listed in this calendar are for information only and do not indicate district sponsorship or endorsement.
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