

Dear Parents,

Wade Park is striving to provide meaningful academic experiences to meet the needs of every child in our care. Continue to ensure that your child arrives to school on time (school starts at 8:00am); completes activities posted in Schoology/Seesaw; reads a book; and spends at least 20 minutes per day on iReady.

All 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade scholars will begin to take the Ohio Learning Test (OST) on Monday, April 12, 2021. The detailed testing schedule is forthcoming later on this week. Thank you again for your support!

Warm regards,

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### Attention Parents of Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade:

### What is happening in Kindergarten & First Grade?

We have finished the Third Quarter. Soon, we will be reaching the end. We have started our Hybrid Learning. Our goal is to continuing giving the students a quality education -- both online and in person.

### Our Kindergarten Team:

- Ms. Blair In Person Teacher
- Ms. Chambliss In Person Teacher
- Ms. Bouch Virtual and Remote Teacher

### **Our First Grade Team:**

- Ms. Harris In Person / Virtual Teacher
- Ms. Parker In Person / Virtual Teacher
- Ms. Stepp In Person
- Ms. Bouch Virtual and Remote Teacher

### How Can You Help!

- Make sure your child arrives on time both online and in person. School begins at 8:00 am.
- Check Clever and Schoology for any messages or changes in schedule.
- Make sure your child brings all the necessary materials to school every day.
  - o Backpack
  - Tablet / Laptop (Fully Charged) with Charger
  - o Into Reading Book
  - o Into Math Books
  - ScienceFusion Book
  - o Face Mask
- Make sure your child completes all of his/her work in Seesaw/Schoology each day.
- If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to your child's teacher. We are here to help.





# 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade News



Welcome back Third Grade. Please be sure you are checking your hybrid schedule. If you come to Wade Park Monday and Tuesday, you are virtual with Ms. Colvin Thursday and Friday. If you come to Wade Park Thursday and Friday, then you are virtual with Ms. Colvin Monday and Tuesday. Ms. Colvin's zoom code is 806 054 7974 and the password is the usual 8381750. When arriving to Wade Park please do not bring any belonging from home expect your laptop/ device and charger. All needed supplies throughout the school day will be provided. A friendly reminder that OST will begin the second week of April. Following spring break, we will begin test prep. See you soon.

**In** 5<sup>th</sup> grade math our Problem of the Day is now geared toward test prep. We are continuing our study of fractions and will move onto decimals soon. For social studies we are learning more about the exploration and settlement of the Americas. Scholars are reminded to log in daily, participate in discussions, and complete their work. Congratulations to those who earn Live School points for attendance, participation, and iReady each week! Mr. Mark, Mrs. Jordan and Mrs. Barnes asks you to make sure that your child is logging into iReady and completing at least 20 minutes per day in Reading and Math. You can find their updated grades in the gradebook of their ELA and Science pages on Schoology as well as what assignments they are currently missing for this grading period. New assignments are added every week in Seesaw to complete in both subjects. Make sure your child is making the best use of their independent work time to work through these assignments as well as their independent time on Wednesdays.

**Middle School Scholars**, Ms. Ivory expects all students to complete their work online in their math book (Ed app in Clever). The assignments that students must complete are online and graded immediately so that the scholar may receive immediate feedback. They are also given quizzes and once a quarter they receive an opportunity for bonus points. All classes are expected to have their math book, notebook and pencil - grades 7 & 8 can use calculators during class.



# 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade News

Ms. Kaulins's Social Studies Class- The month of March is set aside to honor women's contributions in American history. The National Women's History Alliances selects and publishes the yearly theme. The theme for Women's History Month 2021 captures the spirit of these challenging times to "Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to Be Silenced." Scholars will research and create presentations that exemplify the greatness of women in history.

Mr. Lockard's 6<sup>th</sup> Graders are learning about thermal energy and temperature. 7<sup>th</sup> Graders are studying electricity and circuitry. 8<sup>th</sup> Graders are focusing on Earth science. Students are expected to attend class on time and complete all assignments. The Science Fair was a great success. Students will receive participation ribbons as well as Honorable Mention ribbons. Several students received trophies for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place honors. We are looking into virtual field trips to the Science Center as well.

Ms. Powell's class is looking forward learning about and researching women's month in March. Parents, please make sure our scholars are reading daily at home and completing homework assignments.

In 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade GT please continue to check in with your child to ensure they are completing assignments, iReady minutes and reading daily. Students are given weekly NewsELA assignments that are required to be completed as well as an assignment in EdHMH. Many students are doing an amazing job keeping up to date on weekly math assignment. You can check your child's current grades and missing and completed assignments right in Schoology. We are working hard in both math and ELA to prepare for upcoming state testing!





# **Special Education News**

### DISTANCE LEARNING TIPS

The guidance below can help us all make the best of new and sometimes unfamiliar distance learning environments. It can help you be ready for some of the more practical aspects of learning from home.

### 1. Establish routines and expectations

It is important for students to develop good habits from the start. Help students get up, get dressed and ready to learn at a reasonable time. Create a flexible routine and talk about how it's working overtime.

### 2. Stay in touch

Teachers will mainly be communicating regularly through our online platforms and virtual learning environments. Stay in contact with classroom and support teachers, school leaders and counsellors but understand it may take a day or two to respond. If you have concerns, let someone know.

### 3. Help students 'own' their learning

No one expects parents to be full-time teachers or to be educational and content matter experts. Provide support and encouragement, and expect your children to do their part. Struggling is allowed and encouraged! Don't help too much.

### 4. Begin and end the day by checking-in

In the morning, you might ask:

- What classes/subject do you have today?
- Do you have any assessments?
- How will you spend your time?
- What resources do you need?
- What can I do to help?

At the end of the day you might ask:

- How far did you get in your learning tasks today?
- What did you discover? What was hard?
- What could we do to make tomorrow better?

These brief grounding conversations matter. Checking in students to process instructions they received from their teachers, and it helps them organize themselves and set priorities – older students too. Not all students thrive in distance learning; some struggle with too much independence or lack of structure. These check-in routines can help avoid later challenges and disappointments.

They help students develop self-management and executive functioning that are essential skills for life. Parents are good life coaches.

This article was adopted from ACS International Schools. <u>https://www.acs-schools.com/parents-guide-distance-learning</u>



# **Encore News**

We are so excited to be back to school in a hybrid model. This has caused some changes to the encore schedules. Students will no longer be attending Reading Intervention or Media classes. Students will have physical education, music and art when they are at school. Students who have chosen to remain remote will no longer have encore classes.

As always please make sure to check your child's Schoology and Seesaw accounts for missing assignments. If you ever have any questions, please reach out to the encore teacher.

Mr. G's extracurricular music sessions have been updated. With the new hybrid schedule the time for extracurricular music sessions has changed to 3:30 PM, but will still be via zoom.

- Monday: Band Master Class
- Tuesday: Drums and Choir
- Wednesdays: Brass Lessons
- Thursdays: Drums and Choir
- Fridays: Band

