



WILDCAT NEWS

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What's Happening.....

- Oct. 7.....Beta Club Officer Mtg., Media Center- 7:40am
- Oct. 8.....Beta Club General Mtg., Media Center-7:40am
- Oct. 8.....Football: Wakefield @ WMMS – 3:45pm
- Oct. 9.....Soccer (Girls) & Volleyball: WMMS @ Wakefield – 3:45pm
- Oct. 10.....**Teacher Workday**
- Oct. 14.....Soccer (Girls) & Volleyball: Durant @ WMMS – 3:45pm
- Oct. 14.....**PTA Meeting – Media Center – 7:00pm**
- Oct. 15.....Football: WMMS @ Durant – 3:45pm
- Oct. 16.....**Early Release Day**
- Oct. 22.....Football: WMMS @ Leesville – 3:45pm
- Oct. 23.....Soccer (Girls) & Volleyball: Leesville @ WMMS – 3:45pm
- Oct. 24.....School Dance – 3:15pm-5:00pm
- Oct. 27.....Fall Make-Up Picture Day
- Oct. 28.....Battle of The Brooks Football – East vs. West Millbrook at Millbrook High School Stadium 6:00pm
- Oct. 30.....Soccer (Girls) & Volleyball: WMMS @ East Millbrook – 3:45pm
- Oct. 30.....Beta Club Induction Ceremony – 7pm-8pm

Have you got heart...Schoolheart?

We hope each family will take a moment and get involved with our fall fundraiser. It's a great discount card that will pay for itself with the many discounts from both local and national retailers! You will have access to hundreds of grocery coupons, discount movies tickets, free roadside assistance and discount prescriptions! The PTA would like to do this ONE FUNDRAISER and we think you'll love it! It's been a real slow start, but I KNOW everyone wants to join in the savings. The contest will end on October 14th and we have LOTS of cards to sell....680 more to be exact! The winning classroom teacher is going to be treated to a free 4 hour LIMOUSINE RIDE and dinner certificate! The winning classroom students will receive a free pizza party! There are great individual prizes too! How about an Apple iPod Nano to the top seller? Spread the word and encourage family and friends to support our efforts as well. Go to

www.thehcard.com and then click purchase on our school link...it's easy to participate! Be sure to reference your student's **name** and **homeroom teacher** (section id) for great PRIZES! Hardcopy forms are available in the school office. Questions-email wmmshcard@yahoo.com.

Band Notes

Band students interested in auditioning for the Wake County Honor Band should be hard at work at their music! Audition requirements include an excerpt from an assigned solo, 7 major scales, and a chromatic scale the full practical range of the instrument. In addition, students are asked to sight read a short piece of music. (Sight reading means playing it for the first time, with no preparation.)

The auditions are open to students in the Intermediate and Advanced Bands. They will be held after school at Carnage Middle School on November 6th. Those students who have a successful audition will participate in the clinic on November 20 and 21 at Martin Middle School, with a final concert the evening of November 21st.

DON'T FORGET THE BATTLE OF THE BROOKS!!

Spirit Week and the Battle of the Brooks are coming! The Battle of the Brooks is a long-time tradition at WMMS. It is a football game pitting West Millbrook against rival East Millbrook. This year it's Tuesday Oct. 28 at Millbrook High School. We're in another Battle too: a contest of PTA membership numbers. The school with the greater number of families who join PTA will win a trophy presented at half-time! And the school with the most faculty and staff members who join PTA will win a tail-gate lunch catered by the losing school!

Premium Level Memberships are an easy way to provide even more enrichment for our WMMS students. All members at the BRONZE level (\$30) will be in a drawing for a WMMS Spirit Pack. SILVER memberships (\$60) will have a drawing for an individual Annual Pass to every WMMS athletic event. Best of all, GOLD members (\$125) will be entered in a drawing for Annual Passes for the whole family!

To join PTA, just fill out the membership form available in the front office or on the WMMS website and return it with your tax-deductible payment by mail:

WMMS PTA Membership// 8115 Strickland Road//
Raleigh, NC// 27615.

OR send it with your student to his/her homeroom
teacher.

Please note: PTA is a separate organization at each
school, so your PTA membership at another school
DOES NOT support West Millbrook. PTA Memberships
must be renewed each school year.

A special thank you to Dr. Robert Kent,
Orthodontist, for his Platinum Level
Sponsorship of the WMMS Booster Club. We
appreciate his extremely generous donation.
Dr. Kent's website is www.carolinabraces.com.

Computer Skills Testing Coming this Month

All 8th grade students will be tested between October
14 and October 24th. Most will test with their teams on
October 21, 22, or 23. In order for a student to receive a
diploma from a North Carolina High School, he/she must
have passed this test. Students at WMMS will be given 2
opportunities... this fall and then again in the spring.

The WMMS website has several links that students
can visit to practice. Also, the NC Registration website
itself,
<http://cuacs8.mck.ncsu.edu/nccs/testregistrationsys.asp>
can be accessed at home to read about the test and watch
a Test Simulation Movie Demo.

It is strongly recommended that students prepare
outside of school as much as possible for this test.
Although the 6 computer skills strands are integrated into
the content curriculums, reviewing and becoming
familiar with the testing format through the test
simulation is directly correlated with passage rates. All
students will take the simulation next week with their
Social Studies classes.

Susan Cole, WMMS Testing Coordinator

Character Education

The Character Trait for the Month of October is
Respect: Showing High regard for authority, for other
people, for self, for property and for your country.
Understanding that all people have value as human
beings.

A big thank you to Chick-Fil-A, Six Forks, Great
Harvest Bread Company and Dominos Pizza for
supporting our Character Education program this year!
Be sure to look for their coupons given out to students
awarded each month at the character education luncheon!

Parent Education Workshop

A parent education workshop - **HOMEWORK: A
Parent's Survival Guide**- will be held on Tuesday,
October 21 beginning at 7:00 in the Media Center. Jessica
Millwood of Huntington Learning Center will provide
today's busy parents with practical advice on how to
tackle common homework problems and tips to help your
child do better in school. Mark your calendar and make
plans to attend.

Mrs. Kelly, 6th Grade Counselor
870-4057 rjkelly@wcpss.net

WCPSS Growth and Assignment

The WCPSS Growth and Assignment Department is in
the midst of creating a Multi-Year Student Assignment
plan that will span three years and should provide
advanced notice of where specific attendance nodes will
be assigned. This is the first time WCPSS has sought to
provide an assignment plan that covers more than one
year. Changes in student assignment are driven by the
need to populate the 10 new schools being built as more
families continue to move into Wake County. Three of
those schools could directly affect our families at
WMMS.

H2 and H6 are both high schools that may draw families
currently attending WMMS. They will also impact our
families that attend Leesville, Wakefield, Millbrook, and
W-F Rolesville high schools. WCPSS has worked
diligently on this plan with the help of parents, teachers
and principals from nine regional planning groups.
Parents should look for this plan to be published and
ready for public comment in early November. Questions:
Leslie Koscielniak, WMMS District 3 BAC parent rep
(koscielniak@nc.rr.com)

Donations Needed

Donations Needed for PBS Weekly Drawings
WMMS is still in need of small prizes for our weekly
drawing. Please send your donations to Ms. Roberts.
Some suggested prizes are: restaurant coupons, small
toys, gift cards (\$5) to any department store, school
supplies: notebooks, pens, pencils, erasers, paper, etc.
Thank you to the following parents for their donations:
Courtney Horian, Phaedra Neely, and Anne Rajagopalan.
Janet Roberts
Assistant Principal

Wildcat Math Tutorial Lab

We would like to remind you of our Math Tutorial Lab
which is available for all students. The lab is free of
charge and will run Monday – Thursday from 3 – 4:15.
There is an activity bus available for students who stay
for after school activities. Please contact Katie Bonner at
870-4050 or kbonner@wcpss.net if you have any
questions.

PLEASE JOIN PTA & HELP WEST MILLBROOK STUDENTS!

Return form and payment by mail to: WMMS PTA Membership; 8115 Strickland Rd.; Raleigh, NC 27615;
or send with your child to his/her homeroom. Make checks payable to: WMMS PTA.

Basic Levels		Premium Levels	
Staff (1 adult)	\$6.00	Bronze (2 adults)	\$30.00
Individual (1 adult)	\$6.00	Silver (2 adults)	\$60.00
Family (2 adults)	\$10.00	Gold (2 adults)	\$125.00

Print Name(s) to appear on membership card:

Print Street Address & zip code:

Print Student Name(s) & grade level(s):

¡WEST MILLBROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL NECESITA SU AYUDA!

¡HAGASE UN MIEMBRO DE LA PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION DE WEST MILLBROOK!

Pueda completar el sobre siguiente, incluir su cuota de membresía, y
mandar por correo o revolverle a la escuela por su hijo.

O manda por correo a: WMMS PTA Membership; 8115 Strickland Rd.; Raleigh, NC 27615.

Escriba su cheque a favor de WMMS PTA o pueda pagar en efectivo.

Por favor, complete y revuelvale y incluya su pago.

Niveles Básicas		Niveles Premium	
Empleados (una adulto)	\$6.00	Bronce (dos adultos)	\$30.00
Individual (una adulto)	\$6.00	Plateada (dos adultos)	\$60.00
Familia (dos adultos)	\$10.00	Oro (dos adultos)	\$125.00

El Nombre de padre o familia:

Dirreccion (Su calle y codigo postal):

El Nombre de su hijo(s) y sus grados:
