

THE EAGLE FLYER

Home of the Eagles!

February 2023

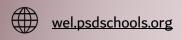
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Note from the Principal's Office...

Dear parents and/or guardians,

Last semester, we implemented several supports for students academically. Between our in-classroom interventions and supports, additional acceleration classes for identified students, and high dosage tutoring we have seen some great growth and achievement trajectories with our students. We are so proud of our students and the work that they put in first semester!

Currently, we are in the heart of registering for classes for next semester. Please work with your student (s) to help identify classes that are based on their career and academic goals, while also aligning with their passions. We will use course registration to plan build out our master schedule next year, plan for staffing, and hiring of new staff this spring. Along the same lines, we are right around the corner of testing season which is an incredibly important time for us to identify additional supports for students, creating additional support classes for students, and placement in requested classes for next year.

We are excited to recognize our honor roll and dean's list recipients this month based an student success from last semester. These students will be recognized alongside their peers at our next high school pep assembly and middle school pep assembly, respectively. We will also have the opportunity to recognize our students that have exemplified the PSD Principles of Community within our building and community, as recognized by their teachers and peers.

Lastly, as the number of drivers coming to campus continues to rise, please continue to abide by our drop off and pick off protocols which are detailed below. Thank you to all of you that have been dropping students off at the curb, paying attention while you re-enter through lanes, and abiding by our 15 mph speed limit in our parking lots.

Sincerely,

Kelby Benedict, Principal

Link to school Calendar

https://www.patriotleagueco.org/public/genie/430/school/1646/



Counseling Corner

High School Registration Reminder: All incoming 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students will have individual meetings with their counselor to discuss course selections for next year. These meetings will take place throughout next week (February 6th -10th). Students and parents will get reminder emails that provide the specific time and date of the appointment. Please check your email for this information and reach out to the counseling department with any questions.

For students interested in participating in PSD HS Summer School, you can find information here: summer.psdschools.org. Registration for Summer School opens on **Wednesday, March 1st**

for Session 1 and in May for Session 2. All classes are free for PSD students 8th-12th grade. All classes will be online from a distance with a teacher for support, monitoring, and grading.

Students will keep their school computers and MiFi devices to complete summer school classes. There are NO mandatory class meetings, but students need access to high-speed internet to access the material. Math classes remain replacement grades only. All other classes can be taken for first-time credit or credit recovery.

Summer School will be offered in two sessions:

Session 1: Monday April 3rd - May 25th 8:00am-3:00pm

Session 2: June 1st- June 29th 8:00am- 3:00pm

Please reach out to your counselor if you have any questions or are interested in registering for summer school.

Counseling Secretary - Britni Hobbs, (970) 472-2725, bhobbs@psdschools.org

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Counseling Intern - Sabrina Eggerson

Peggy Hunter - Registrar (970) 472-2707, phunter@psdschools.org



Christy Stiger is our district Mental Health Specialist who is at WMHS 3.5 days a week. She completed the certification process to bring her therapy dog when she is here to help ease anxiety and enhance counseling with students. Mikey is a Golden Retriever certified by the Alliance of Therapy Dogs. He comes to the schools in this area with Christy and provides support during counseling. He doesn't come everyday, but when he is here, he is most definitely meant to be pet and snuggled. Not every student will be working with Mikey, but there will be times he will be in the halls and open areas, or entering classes to ease anxiety or to just say hi. If you have any questions or concerns about him or about therapy dogs in general, please reach out!

Christy Stiger LPC, M.Ed., NCC cstiger@psdschools.org 970-286-5547







Wellington High School's Spirit Week

Wellington High School's first Winter Gala is Saturday, February 11th and we are celebrating with a WHS spirit week! Spirit week is February 6th-10th:

Monday 2/6- Class Colors (Freshmen-red, Sophomores-pink)

Tuesday 2/7-Twin Day

Wednesday 2/8-White Lies (write your lies on a white t-shirt)

Thursday 2/9-Neon Day

Friday 2/10-Iconic Group Day (examples: Mean girls, One Direction, etc)

WHS Winter Gala

Date & Time: Saturday, February 11th, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm

Location: Wellington Middle High School

Dance will be held in the Auditorium and games will be held in the Commons

Ticket Info:

Our High School Student Council has tickets on sale every day at lunch in the commons from 12:30-1:10 pm. Tickets are also available for purchase on School Pay.

WHS Student Council will also be selling single carnations for \$3/each. There is a limited quantity so purchase now before they sell out! Carnations can be pre-purchased or purchased at the door, if available. If pre-purchased, students will receive carnations at the dance.

***Funds from the Winter Gala and carnation sales support our Wellington

High School Student Council events***

Ticket Prices are as follows:

Week of 1/30: \$25

Week of 2/6: \$30

At the door: \$35

Gala Attire: The Winter Gala is a formal dance. Please attend dressed to impress!



WHS Winter Gala, continued...

Food & Drink:

Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

Angry Hippies Food Truck

https://www.angry-hippie.com/

Wild Brats

https://wildbratsco.com/

The Winter Gala is for High School students only. Students in Middle School may not attend the dance.

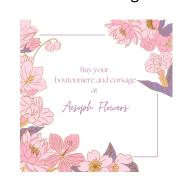
If you are bringing a guest from another High School, please contact Mr. Buffington at: mbuffington@psdschools.org

Are you looking for a local florist to purchase that corsage and boutonniere?

Look no further because we have our very own florist here in Wellington!

Contact Bridget Aesoph at Aesoph Flowers 3999 GW Bush Avenue, Suite 1 Wellington, Co 80549 Call or Text (970) 302-4501

https://www.aesophflowers.com/







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A Note from WHS Student Council

Dear Parents/Guardians and Wellington Community,

We are still accepting donations for our Winter Gala event until February 8th! Please consider donating to our event, as it is our first year and we are working on a limited budget. We really want to make this evening special for all students involved!

We are still in need of warm white lights, warm white curtain lights, 10 tabletop mirrors, 50 battery operated tea light candles. Below is a list of items we would appreciate:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B0B395KW3C/ref=ox_sc_act_title_11?smid=A20L8952JV6MMZ&psc=1
https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B07P1J2CTM/ref=ox_sc_act_title_10?smid=AT2EUSZBWE3QG&psc=1
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https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B08343TDQN/ref=ox_sc_act_title_1?smid=AB8JM65Q9FGN7&psc=1

If you choose to donate to our event, please drop items off at the front office. We will be accepting donations until 4 pm, Wednesday February 8th.

Thank you so much for being committed to helping our WMHS Eagle family! We are building our Eagles community and we appreciate your support!

Sincerely,
Wellington Student Leadership





Supporting our Schools





Middle School Spring Fling

The Middle School Spring Fling Dance will be held on **Thursday, February 23**rd from **6-8 pm** in the Main Gym.

Activities will include:

- Dance Floor
- •Lawn Games
- •Kona Ice and/or Food Trucks
- Crafts
- Photobooth

All 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders are welcome to come!



MS Spirit Week

The week leading up to the Spring Fling Dance will be a Spirit Week for Middle school students!

Monday - No School!

Tuesday - Dress like a Celebrity or Character (no masks)

Wednesday - 80s/90s Day

Thursday - Twin Day

Friday - Class Colors Day (6th - Pink, 7th - Purple, 8th - Blue)

Eagles Athletics February Newsletter

Important Dates for High School Athletics:

2/6 Registration for High School Spring Sports opens

2/20 Boys Swimming & Boys Volleyball begin official practices

2/27 Official practices begin for Baseball, Girls Golf, Girls Tennis, Boys & Girls Lacrosse, Track & Field and Girls Soccer

High School Girls Golf will be a combined team hosted by Timnath this year.

Head Coach Kayla Garey: kgarey@psdschools.org

2/27 3:00-4:30pm @ Collindale Golf Course (skills assessment)

2/28 @ Collindale Golf Course, 2:00pm tee times 3/1 @Southridge Golf Course, 2:00pm tee times

Boys Volleyball, Boys Lacrosse and Girls Lacrosse are District hosted sports. Please visit our website or psdathletics.org for contact details.

Is your athlete ready to play?

- Register at psdathletics.org
- Pay Athletic Fee via School Pay or by check
- Sports Physical on file with the Athletic Department (valid for 365 days)\
- Pick up an orange card (athletes cannot participate in official practices without this)

View our activities calendar and sign up to receive notifications of any cancellations or changes at

https://www.patriotleagueco.org/public/genie/430/school/1646/

If you are looking for coach contacts or information on a specific sport, please visit https://wel.psdschools.org/spring-sports-0

Upcoming Middle School Athletics:

Boys & Girls Golf (6th-8th): 3/6-3/10 Optional Camp, Official Tryouts begin 3/20

Girls Softball (7th & 8th): 3/6-3/10 Optional Camp, Official Tryouts begin 3/20

Track & Field (6th-8th): 3/20-3/24 Optional Camp, Official Practices begin 3/27

Unified Basketball (7th & 8th): 4/3 Official Practices begin

Girls Intramural Soccer: Info coming soon!

We need Coaches! We are looking for organized and energetic people to coach our track team-

Apply here: https://psdschools.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx

Spirit Gear



https://sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/colorado/wellington/wellington-middle-high-school

Get your tickets ahead of time before our athletic events!

https://events.ticketspicket.com/agency/c6730c59-c60d-41eb-ba2d-371c9f57a063

Stream Wellington High School athletic events here:

https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/schools/wellington-high-school-wellington-co

Volunteer for athletic events:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdEl1b7rs3_FaafVdLWx0dcCCqtoUGr-PvmdKSYvbpkhlZKOQ/viewform

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Student-Initiated Organizations

Students, are you interested in getting a club going at Wellington Middle-High School? All student-initiated clubs must first start with an application each year. If you need to reapply for a club from last year, or would like to start a new club, please fill out the <u>student-initiated organization application</u> here or reach out to Mr. Buffington (<u>marcb@psdschools.org</u>). Whether it is a school sponsored club, or student-initiated clubs, they will not be able to meet until the application is approved through Poudre School District for the 2022-2023 school year.

Students please help us populate our list of student-initiated clubs for the 2022-2023 school year by filling out this <u>application!</u>

Middle School Student-Initiated Organizations

A/V Club - the purpose of A/V Club is to explore video and audio technology in a fun and exciting way, and to develop student produced projects and possibly lead into high school level classes.

When: Thursday, after school

Where: D115/117

Student Contact: Carter Hoen (cartermarkhoen@outlook.com)

• Staff Monitor: Luke Hughes

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (Middle School) - the purpose of Fellowship of Christian Athletes is Christian fellowship

When: Wednesday morning, before school

• Where: G204

Student Contact: Tobin Phillips (tobiniscool08@outlook.com)

Staff Monitor: Tanya Cienfuegos-Baca







Kindness Club (Middle School) - the purpose of the Kindness Club is to spread kindness throughout the school and be role models to show others tiny acts of kindness can make big difference.

When: Monday morning, before school

Where: G201

Student Contact: Adelyn MacArthur

Staff Monitor: Katie Zenisek

High School Student-Initiated Organizations

Students please help us populate our list of student-initiated clubs for the 2022-2023 school year by filling out this application!

School-Sponsored Organizations

6-8 School-Sponsored Organizations

AFL (Footy) Club - This club's purpose is to build interest and skills in Australian football. Kids will become fans of and be able to proficiently play the sport.

• When: Wednesday, 6th Grade Lunch & 7/8th Grade Lunch

Where: Commons

Staff Sponsor: Todd Genson (tgenson@psdschools.org)

Dance Fever - This club's is to build the community of people who love to dance in Wellington and learn different styles of dance.

When: Friday, 4:15 - 5:15

Where: Performing Arts, A106

Staff Sponsor: Jenna Riep (<u>jriep@psdschools.org</u>)





GSA (Middle School) - the purpose of the GSA is to create an atmosphere where students of all gender identities and sexualities feel safe, respected, and valued. It is a place for LGBTQIA+ students and allies to socialize, have fun, and come up with ideas for promoting a school culture of mutual respect, inclusion, and acceptance.

• When: Thursday, 4:05 pm - 4:45 pm

Where: D116

Staff Sponsor: Marti Burnham (mburnham@psdschools.org)

Math Olympiad - the purpose of Math Olympiad is to inspire students to engage and learn math while engaging in social interactions with peers.

• When: Wednesday, During 7/8 Lunch (11:05-11:45

• Where: D219

Staff Sponsor: Laura Nestler (lnestler@psdschools.org)

National Junior Art Honor Society - The National Art Education Association serves to and incudes peer recognition, leadership opportunities, college and career prep, recognition of art programs, art service opportunities, and awards and college scholarship opportunities.

When: Last Tuesday or Wednesday of the month, 6th & 7/8th Grade Lunch

Where: D107

Staff Sponsor: Katie Murphy (kmills@psdschools.org)

Student Council (Middle School) - The purpose of student council is to create culture both within the school and through the community and put on events for middle school students.

When: Friday, 8:00 am

• Where: The Nest

Staff Sponsor: Kaitlynn Schmurr (kschmurr@psdschools.org)

Student Voice - the purpose of Student Voice is to engage student perspectives in guiding systematic and cultural change within Wellington Middle-High School.

Stay tuned for meet times and contact information once the application is approved for the 2022-2023 school year. This organization will not be meeting until approval for the school year has happened.

9-10 School-Sponsored Organizations

AFL (Footy) Club - This club's purpose is to build interest and skills in Australian football. Kids will become fans of and be able to proficiently play the sport.

• When: Wednesday, High School Lunch

Where: Commons

Staff Sponsor: Todd Genson (tgenson@psdschools.org)

Book Club - This club's purpose is to give a space for readers to connect with one another over books. This will be a space that allows students to select books that they enjoy and provide motivation to finish them.

When: Friday, High School Lunch

Where: Library or F200 Learning Pod

Staff Sponsor: Christine Jasmann (cjasmann@psdschools.org)

GSA (High School) - the purpose of the GSA is to create an atmosphere where students of all gender identities and sexualities feel safe, respected, and valued. It is a place for LGBTQIA+ students and allies to socialize, have fun, and come up with ideas for promoting a school culture of mutual respect, inclusion, and acceptance.

When: Wednesday during HS lunch, 12:30-1:15 pm

Where: D101

Staff Sponsor: Jenna Riep (<u>iriep@psdschools.org</u>)

Mock Trial Team - the purpose of Mock Trial is to develop an understanding of civil & criminal trial process, while also competing in the Colorado Bar Association Tournament.

• When: Wednesday or Thursday after school (schedule will be set in early October)

• Where: F102

Staff Sponsor: Chris Lehrer (clehrer@psdschools.org)

National Art Honor Society - the National Art Eucation Association has been around for over 40 years and it's purpose includes peer recognition, leadership opportunities, college and career prep, recognition of art program, art service opportunities, and awards and college scholarship opportunities. Being an honor society, students need to adhere to standards/bylaws including but not limited to: maintaining a 3.0 in all art classes and may not have more than one grade <1 in all classes at any given time.

When: Last Tuesday or Wednesday of the month during HS lunch (depending on the block schedule)

Where: D107

Staff Sponsor: Katie Murphy (kmills@psdschools.org)

Sexual Assault Resource Team (SART) Peers - The Sexual Assault Resource Team (SART) Peers Program is a peer-led sexual violent prevention education program that has been approved by Poudre School District for more than 20 years. This peer education program utilizes the enthusiasm, talent, and credibility of high school student leaders to inform youth about sexual violence, consent education, and being an upstander.

- When: 8th period even days and during High School Lunch as needed
- Where: Student Council Classroom and/or the Counseling Office

Staff Sponsor: Katie Delahunt (kdelahunt@psdschools.org)

WMHS Literary Magazine - the purpose of Literary Magazine is to produce and publish a collection of high school student artwork, photography, prose, poetry, and other fit-to-print creative works. Student staff members learn how to promote the book as they encourage their peers to submit; they learn how to advertise to sell copies of the book; they learn how to establish criteria for publication and editing skills to polish submissions; and they learn design, layout, and formatting with digital tools as they choose the book's theme and create pages.

When: Monday & Wednesday during 9th/10th grade lunch

Where: F101

Staff Sponsor: Jen Mitchell (jemitchell@psdschools.org)

6-10 School-Sponsored Organizations

Drama Club (Combined Middle and High School) - to have students perform in plays and musicals for the school and community of Wellington. A drama club will be an extra curricular activity that allows students to perform, explore, and appreciate the arts.

• When: Monday - Friday after school

Where: A106

Staff Sponsor: Penny Davis (pdavis@psdschools.org)

Rodeo Club (Combined Middle and High School) - the purpose of Rodeo Club is to connect with students who enjoy all things rodeo and teach those who want to get into it.

When: Wednesday, after school

Where: G226A

Staff Sponsor: Jessie Pollacek (jpollacek@psdschools.org)

For more information about student initiated or school sponsored clubs, please contact Marc Buffington, Dean of Students & Activities Director at marcb@psdschools.org.

Policies governing Poudre School District (PSD) <u>activities and organizations can be found here</u> and to learn more about clubs within PSD <u>please click here</u>.

Arrival and Dismissal Reminders

As the number of drivers coming to campus continues to rise, please continue to abide by our drop off and pick off protocols. Please be sure to drop all students off at the curb, and not in our parking lot through lanes. Lastly, speed limits in our parking lots are 15 mph.

Please see the <u>linked map</u> for drop off and pick up of students, bus zones at WMHS, and student parking. Some key highlights:

- Student drop off and pick up should take place on the south side of WMHS (we have two queue points: one east of the flagpole and one west)
- ⇒ East drop off/pick up lane is accessed off CR9 & Saratoga St
- ⇒ West drop off/pick up lane is accessed off CR62E and Eagle Way (West of the school)
- Please pull all the way up to next car in front of you in the drop off/pick up lanes before allowing students to exit or enter the vehicle.
- ⇒ For the east line please pull all the way around and back south toward CR62E
- ⇒ For the west line please pull all the way around and back toward the west end of our school
- Please have all students exit the right side of the vehicle onto a sidewalk
- Please yield to cars in through lane when exiting the drop off/pick up lane
- Buses will drop off students on the north side of WMHS
- Student parking will be on the south side of WMHS

Please take note that speed limits have changed on the roads surrounding WMHS, new safety precautions are being put in place by the town daily surrounding our campus, and the speed limit on campus and in parking lots is 10 mph.

Students that are walking and/or riding their bike to school from Three Silos should cross County Road 9 at Saratoga St where there is a crosswalk and where WMHS will staff a crossing attendant.

Students that are walking and/or riding their bike to school from Buffalo Creek should navigate to the intersection of CR9 and Washington Ave at the new four-way stop. There is now a crosswalk going east/west across CR9 and north/south across Washington Ave.

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Friendly Reminder from the Attendance Office

Please call the attendance line 970-472-2701 to report full day absences or <u>specific class periods</u> missed. Parents are expected to call the attendance line to report all absences, even when a student has been checked out or checked in at the front office. This is because our attendance office is located well within the building, so all attendance must be reported on our attendance line. Thank you Eagle Family!

Radium Girls Update

The Drama Club is seeking a logo! Submissions are due February 16th. The WMHS Drama Club logo should represent theater arts and our school. Please submit designs by February 16th to Mrs. Davis at pdavis@psdschools.org.

February Schedule:

Wed., 2/01 - Act 2 - Whole Cast - 4:30 - 6

Thurs., 2/02 - MOVIE NIGHT - Whole Cast - 4:30-6:30

Tues., 2/07 - Act 1 - sc. 1-6 - 4:30 - 6

Wed., 2/08 - Act 1 - sc. 7-11 - 4:30-6

Thurs. 2/09 - Costume Meeting - 4:30-6

Tues., 2/14 - Act 2 - sc. 1 - 8 - 4:30 - 6

Wed., 2/15 - Act 2 - sc. 9 - 15 - 4:30 - 6

Thurs., 2/16 - Costume Meeting - 4:30 - 6

Tues., 2/21 - Act 1 - sc. 1-6 - 4:30 - 6

Wed., 2/22 - Act 1 - sc. 7-11 - 4:30 - 6

Thurs., 2/23 - Costume Meeting - 4:30 - 6

Tues., 2/28 - Act 2 - sc. 1 - 8 - 4:30 - 6



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

STEM-X 2023 SUMMER CAMP DATES:

POUDRE HIGH SCHOOL: JUNE 5-9
PRESTON MIDDLE SCHOOL: JUNE 12-16

- *Early Elementary | 1st-3rd grade
- *Elementary | 4th-6th grade
- *Middle School | 7th-9th grade
- *Students entering these grades

REGISTRATION INFORMATION TO FOLLOW @ WWW.PSDFUTUREREADY.ORG/STEM-X









