Weare Middle & Center Woods Upper Elementary NEWSLETTER Issue #16/ April 8, 2022

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We are excited to finally see some trees budding and flowers emerging from the ground. These last few months of school will be filled with many important and exciting events. We will continue with the Grade level Assemblies we began last month. We will participate as a school in both iReady and State assessments. The 5K Fun Run, WMS Play, Band & Chorus Concert, Field Day, Step-up Day, 8th Grade Promotion and Promotion Dance.....so many incredible things left to accomplish!

8th Grade families should follow this link for information regarding special events for this class.

Please read the following about our upcoming assessments:

Each year, students in grades 3 through 8 participate in the New Hampshire Statewide Assessment System (NH SAS) and students in grade 11 participate in the College Board School Day SAT and NH SAS science assessment.

- NH SAS for English language arts/writing and mathematics in grades
 3 through 8
- NH SAS for science in grades 5, 8, and 11
- SAT School Day with Essay in grade 11

In a typical year, state assessments are an important part of a student's core educational program, but even more so this year as we seek to learn more about the impact of the pandemic. To learn more about the state accountability testing system, including average test times and a FAQ, please visit the NH DOE website, and search for Statewide Assessment System.

We will be testing the week of May 9th. Here is a <u>link to the form</u> for the exemption.

Your admin team:

Mrs. Hilliard, Mr. Matzke & Mr. Morrill

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Don't miss your chance to order a 2021-2022 WMS/CWUES Yearbook!

The online portal for yearbook orders is now open. Yearbooks are \$30 and must be ordered online through Lifetouch's portal. Click here to reserve your copy and use this code **14317222**. Order by April 30 to reserve your copy!

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Weare School District Board Meeting

Weare School District Board Meeting: April 19, 2022, @ 6 PM in the Weare Middle School cafe. The Weare School Board District Meetings are available via live stream at https://bit.ly/SAU24LiveStream.

The public may communicate with Weare board members outside of meeting times via email at wsb.neeting.neetin

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Superintendent Office Hours in April



Join SAU 24 Superintendent Jacqueline Coe who will be joined by John Stark Principal Gary Dempsey on APRIL 21 AT 6 PM for office hours via Zoom.

If you have a question about anything related to SAU 24 schools in the Henniker, Weare, John Stark, and Stoddard school districts, this is the perfect opportunity to ask your question, say hello, or just listen via Zoom @

https://sau24-org.zoom.us/j/82142291994?pwd=OHIrbTB2TnIrU1BZSmpTRThxWFd5U T09 Meeting ID: 821 4229 1994 Passcode: 225191 or Join by phone @ (US) +1 240-623-0475 PIN: 538 949 965#.

WMS STAGE COMPANY PRESENTS!



Stage Company director Ms. Fitzpatrick and her cast and crew are excited to invite you to their performance of *Help Desk: A Stay-at-Home Play*, written by Don Zolidis. This hilarious comedy pokes fun at various customer service situations!

Performance dates are Friday April 15 at 7:00 and Saturday April 16 at 2:00. Tickets are \$8 per person, or \$28 for a group of 4. There is a maximum of 180 tickets for each performance.

No tickets will be available at the door. See a cast or crew member to order tickets, or order online at www.wearemiddleschool.net

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7th Annual Fun Run 5K



Get Ready for the 7th Annual

Weare Fun Run 5K

Friday, May 13 at 4:00 PM

Register by May 4 to qualify for a Race T-shirt

This is a Walk/Run Event

Registration Form Attached

Click here for a registration form

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Notes from the Nurse

NH DHHS guidelines for COVID testing have not changed. This means that if your student is having any of the following symptoms (congestion, cough, sore throat, headache, body aches, fever), then a negative Covid test is necessary prior to sending them to school.

Although there are other viruses circulating around causing the common cold and the flu, and we are seeing less positive Covid cases, DHHS has not relaxed the requirement for Covid testing. If your child is having any of these symptoms, please keep them

home, do a Covid test and provide me with the results prior to them being cleared to return to school. I still have a supply of rapid tests that I am happy to share with you if you do not have

tests at home. If your child tests negative, they may return to school when their symptoms are resolved or significantly improved. Please help us to keep our school community healthy!

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WMS Girls Volleyball Club

WMS Girls Volleyball Club will be restarting again this spring. The goal of the club is to introduce the key skills and rules of volleyball. No prior experience is required. It is open to all girls in grades 6-8.

Practices will be held Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2:45 to 4:00* beginning THURSDAY APRIL 14th until JUNE 2nd, weather dependent.

To sign your child up for Volleyball please complete this <u>Google Form</u>. This is a new form. Please complete this form even if your student participated in the fall.

Please contact <u>robyn.french@sau24.org</u> for more information.

*Please note: Students are not allowed to remain on campus without adult supervision between dismissal and 2:45. They must leave school and return. We are looking for parental volunteers who would be available to supervise students during that time. They must be fingerprinted and approved by the administration. Contact Robyn French if you are interested.

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SAU 24 Communications Survey

Superintendent Jacqueline Coe would like to invite community members and SAU 24 families to complete the survey most relevant to them in order to support SAU 24's efforts to evaluate its approach to communications.

Both the family and community-focused surveys can be found at sau24surveys.com

Parents and/or guardians of students who currently attend district schools can find the family-oriented survey here.

Community members who do not currently have students attending an SAU 24 school can find their survey <u>here</u>.

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This spring, it is especially important to hear feedback from your district and community. It has been two years since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, and much has changed since that time. While communities start to recover from all of the disruptions, it is critical to understand how staff, families and communities have been impacted, and how they will move forward to plan for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year.

To access the surveys, please visit the appropriate link(s) beginning Monday, March 14, through Friday, April 29, 2022

- Families in K-12, Preschool, and Private Schools: bit.ly/nhdoefamily
- Staff in Public and Private Schools: bit.ly/nhdoestaff
- Community Members*: bit.ly/nhdoecommunity (* Please note that "Community Members" are those who do not have students enrolled in New Hampshire public schools.
 Those who do should complete the family surveys instead..)

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SAU 24 is Hiring!

It takes a community to keep our schools running smoothly. <u>Visit our website</u> to see our job openings. We are always looking for paraeducators and substitutes.

The Weare Bus Terminal is also looking for drivers! On-site job interviews take place every Wednesday from 10 am - 12 pm. Stop by our location for a walk-in interview and tour!

58 Carding Mill Road, Weare 603-529-4744

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PUP Default Plans

WMS/CWUES Pickup Patrol Default Plans

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Upcoming Dates - <u>full calendar can be found here</u>

April 18 & 19 - 8th grade Challenge Day @ JSRHS

April 25-29 - No School, Spring Break

May 13 - Weare Fun Run 5k

May 27 - Early Release, dismiss @ 11:30

May 30 - No School, Memorial Day

June 21 - Last day of school as of 4.8.22

Weare Public Library

Parenting Group

At the Weare Library Monday, April 18 at 7:00

Are you raising an adolescent age 10 to 19? Stop by to discuss challenges that you're facing, learn from other parents, and share advice of your own.

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament II

At the Weare Library Wednesday, April 20 at 6:00

Fight for prizes and glory in this double-elimination tournament! Open to all ages and skill levels. Sign-up at: https://www.wearepubliclibrary.com/smash

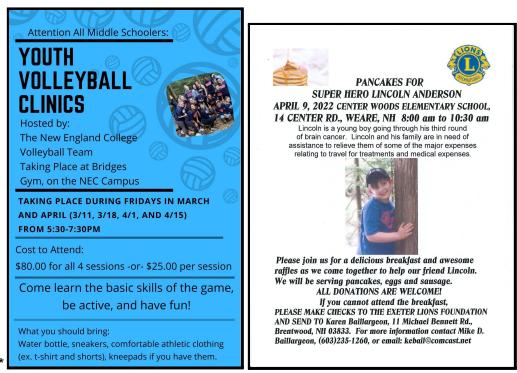
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Community News

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The NH Department of Education is partnering with NH camps and school-age summer programs across the state to offer students the unique opportunity to move beyond COVID-19 and be a kid again. For more information, <u>visit their website</u> here.

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