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Hello West Cary Families, this is Mike James, Principal with your weekly updates!

WRAL's Teacher of the Week – Emily Hooks

Emily Hooks was recognized as WRAL's Teacher of the Week this week. Ms. Hooks has been part of West Cary Middle School since 2016. In her time at West Cary, she's built the most rock-solid relationships with students and has helped her students achieve greatness in the classroom. Ms. Hooks has served on our school's Leadership Team, Department Chair Team, School Improvement Plan Team, Equity Leadership Team, and has volunteered her time in a number of ways. West Cary is a great school because of teachers like Emily Hooks!

Step it Up PTA Fundraiser

We are over halfway to our goal of \$30,000 raised!!!!!!!!!! We are currently at \$15,800.

Just a quick THANK YOU for helping your student use their *AWESOMENESS* to help others! We are so grateful for all of the support and participation in our **Step It UP!** program so far.

Since our program is coming to an end soon, please log back into your personal donation page and be sure that your child has reached their goal. Every dollar raised makes a difference in the lives of our students! If you would like to make a donation yourself, there is still time. Just click on this link:

<https://app.pop4kids.org/westcaryms27513>

All online and cash/check donations are due by **10/12/2022**. Please turn in cash and check donations in an envelope, with your students' name on it, to the main office. Please make checks payable to **West Cary PTA**.

Thank you again for everything you are doing to make this **Step It UP!** program a huge success!

The staff and students thank you for your generous support, as we continue to strive to give our students the most AWESOME school experience we can!

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Sports Schedules

Access the link below to see our entire sports schedules for the 2022-23 school year. A few reminders about our sporting events.

1. Students who stay on campus to attend the sporting events in the afternoon will report to the auditorium where they will remain until 3:30. This will be an adult supervised area. Students who wish to remain on campus to wait for a sporting event are not allowed to leave campus.
2. No outside food and drinks are allowed inside the sporting events. No food deliveries please.
3. Students should be picked up at the conclusion of the sporting event and no later than 30 minutes after the conclusion of the sporting event.
4. All WCPSS Student Code of Conduct policies apply to all after school extra-curricular and sporting events.

Purchase Game Day Tickets

West Cary Families, we are moving towards purchasing tickets online for the West Cary sporting events. Use this link below to purchase your tickets for all of our athletic events.

<https://gofan.co/app/school/NC67932>

Parent Contact Information

Families, if you will please, take just a minute to complete the contact information link provided below and input your best parent contact information. We are trying to ensure that we have the most up-to-date information in the system. Please include this [link](#) to input your information.

Military Connected Families

Military-connected families, complete this form as soon as possible

Are you a military-connected family?

In an effort to ensure that the unique needs of military-connected students are met, state law requires that schools collect information on military-connected students. The goal is to help accommodate these students by providing them with support and consistency when their parents are deployed, when they are transitioning between schools, and at other pivotal times during their academic career.

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If you are a military-connected family, please:

- Download the attached fillable form.
- Complete one form for **each** of your children.
- Return to the school data manager who emailed this form to you.

The deadline is Nov. 11. You may also print and return a hard copy of the form to your child's school if you prefer.

Student Sign-in and Sign-Out

Families, here's a few reminders about student sign-in and out procedures.

1. If you are arriving to campus late, you **MUST** walk in your student to sign in. This is a safety issue. Please do not drop them off curb-side. We want to ensure that our children are arriving to school with an authorized parent/guardian/adult.
2. There are no sign-outs of students after 1:45 pm. This is our policy because the carpool lanes start to get congested at that time. If your child has a doctors appointment in the afternoons, please plan accordingly. Either sign-out your child prior to 1:45 or make the appointments later in the afternoon.

Bus Stop Reminders

In an effort to ensure that all students board their assigned bus consistently, please review with your student, their bus stop information.

WCMS PTA Corner

*****ADVOCACY POST*****

This November all nine Wake County School Board seats are on the ballot. WakeEd Partnership, the [Wake County PTA Council](#) and the [Raleigh Chamber](#) have joined together to present a series of nonpartisan virtual forums so the candidates can discuss important issues in public education. Forums will be recorded and posted to a special YouTube channel for viewing on-demand.

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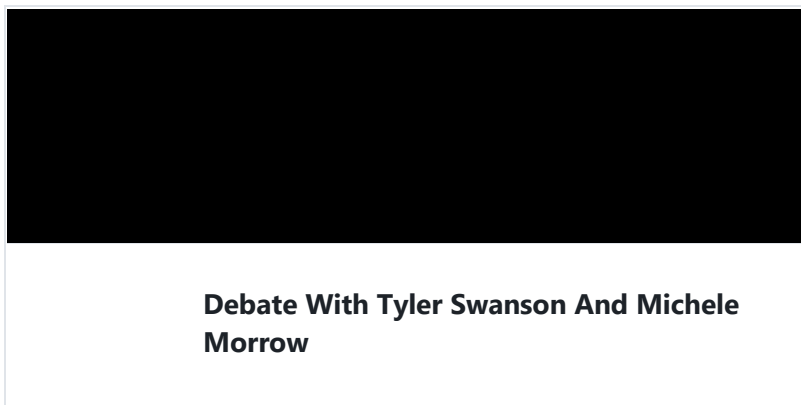


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Please take a moment to submit your questions for our School Board candidates by clicking here: <https://forms.gle/46wvG7u3UkyVN3hr6>. Stay tuned for more details on when to watch. We're hopeful all candidates for the Wake County Board of Education will participate.

Our district 9 candidates also had a small candidate forum and here is the link for that: [Debate With Tyler Swanson And Michele Morrow](#).



Reminders

West Cary Families – our school motto is ***"Dream, believe, achieve – make it happen!"*** We are committed to excellence and helping our students dream, believe, and achieve in their academic and athletic successes.

Thank you,

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