

## **Hello, Zebulon Elementary Families,**

This is Principal Newkirk with the update for the week of December 11, 2020

### **Happy Holidays**

It is hard to believe it, but we only have one more week of school before our Holiday break! I recognize this has been an extremely difficult year for students, parents, teachers, and many others. However, we have persevered and forged ahead, stronger and more resilient every day. We are almost halfway through this school year. We can do this!

### **[FYI: Student Accident Insurance](#)**

Student Accident Insurance is available to purchase for students each school year. Affordable yearly premiums begin at \$11.00. Four plans offer optional accident coverage during school time only or 24 hour coverage. The 2020-21 coverage plans, premiums and complete details can be found on the Parent tab of WCPSS homepage under Student Accident Insurance. Questions can be directed to The Young Group at (888) 574-6288.

### **If Your Child is Sick**

It is expected that students will be sick throughout the winter months. We are asking parents to inform your child's teacher if your child is unable to come to school because they are sick. To ensure a safe and covid-free learning environment, students who are sick are required to remain at home for either 10 or 14 days, depending on whether the child is sick or if they were exposed to someone who may have covid.

## **Virtual Academy Notifications**

The application for Virtual Academy closed December 9 at 5:00 PM. I will send a confirmation letter to each family who has a valid registration for Virtual Academy in the spring semester. Students who did not register for Virtual Academy will return to school for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, beginning January 20.

## **Picture Re-Takes**

Picture re-takes will be in January 2021. More information will come once our date is finalized.

## **Immunizations**

After multiple extensions, Tuesday Dec. 1 was the state deadline for students to submit a certification of immunization and a school health assessment. The 30-day grace period will end December 30, 2020. After the 30-day grace period, a student would have to be excluded from in-person and remote learning until compliant with these legal requirements.

## **Santa Car Bingo Night (Socially Distanced)**

Community member Dr. Shelly West of Wakelon Duke Internal Medicine is sponsoring a Drive-In Bingo Night with special guest, Santa, on December 12th! Families and community members can purchase bingo cards and dinner and spend the evening playing and winning prizes safely from their cars while visits from Santa and his elves entertain all. Tickets and Pizza Dinner reservations will be available for purchase soon. Spend your evening at the Zebulon Flea Market where all proceeds will be donated to Zebulon Elementary PTA to reach their goal of enriching the arts programs for students.

**Register for school for next year**

Registration is opened to register your child for the next school year. You may register your child at [www.wcpss.net/enroll](http://www.wcpss.net/enroll).

**Yours,**

**David Newkirk, Principal**

<b>December 12</b>	<b>Drive-In Bingo Night</b>
<b>December 16</b>	<b>Remote Learning Day (Students will learn online from home)</b>
<b>December 18</b>	<b>Last Day of School before Holiday break</b>
<b>January 4</b>	<b>Return to School!!!</b>
<b>January 13</b>	<b>Remote Learning Day (Students will learn online from home)</b>
<b>January 18</b>	<b>MLK Holiday</b>

**January 27**

**Report Cards go home**