

January
2018



Save the Date

January 9th PTO Meeting

6pm
Community Room
*Please join our PTO
and help support our
school*

January 18th Preschool/Kdg PJ Party

6-7:30pm
Cafeteria
*Join us for a fun
literacy event that
includes dinner and
dessert. All preschool
and kindergarten
families are invited!*

January 15th No School Martin Luther King Day

**January 25th
VIP Day**
*Families are
encouraged to come
and visit their child's
classroom*
8-9:30am Prek-2
9:30-11:00am 3-6

**February 1st
Soar Like an Eagle
Walnut Hills High
School Workshop**
6:30-7:30pm
Art Room
*For students who
passed the Walnut
Hills test and their
families*

Time to Think About Kindergarten



It is never too early to start looking into options for kindergarten. Mt. Washington School has a long history of providing exceptional kindergarten program. All of our primary staff are trained and use the Orton Gillingham reading program and we now have

implemented our new Expeditionary Learning Program. If you are interested in learning more, call 363-3835 to setup a private tour. Families who enroll their child now for the fall will be eligible to participate in a wide range of programs including our free summer kindergarten readiness program.

“Friendship First” PJ Party

The Mt. Washington Early Childhood Network is pleased to announce they are hosting a special literacy event for preschool and kindergarten families.

The **“Friendship First” Pajama Party** will be held on **Thursday, January 18th from 6pm-7:30pm** in Mt. Washington School's cafeteria. This **Free** friendship-themed reading event includes dinner, story time and fun literacy activities for parents and children.

Children and parents are encouraged to wear their favorite PJ's. This event is open to our network member programs which include, Mt. Washington School, Mt. Washington Presbyterian Preschool, Mt. Washington Educational Arts Center, Mt. Washington Baptist Daycare, Riverview East CELC & Meridian Montessori. To sign up call: 363-3835.

Mt. Washington School Foundation News



The Mt. Washington School Foundation was very busy last year raising money to support a wide range of programs for our students and teachers. They funded our free after school enrichment program that served 150 of our students. Additionally, they provided funds to expand our power pack program along with sending all of our 3-6 grade students to Camp Kern. Educational opportunities for teachers were also funded and the foundation also provided financial support to pay for glasses for some of our students who didn't have vision insurance. Our school foundation works very hard to meet the changing needs of our students, their families and our staff and welcomes the support of private donors along with local organizations.

The foundation recently updated their website so individuals can learn more about the impact of the foundation and ways to be involved. Please visit the website by logging onto www.mtwashingtonschoolfoundation.com

Be Ready to Soar like an Eagle at Walnut Hills High School!

Mt. Washington School is pleased share that our 4th annual **Be Ready to Soar like an Eagle** workshop will be on **Thursday, February 1 at 6:30pm**. This workshop is for the families of students who passed the WHHS test. On average 30 percent of Mt. Washington Schools' 6th graders pass the Walnut Hills test and we feel it is important that both the students and families understand what students will experience when they attend Walnut Hills. Tips on what parents can do to support their child's transition to Walnut will be addressed as well as information about resources that are available to help students be successful. Families & students will hear from a former WHHS PTO president and several current students.



For more information contact: Ilene Hayes 363-3835.

We Need You!!



Mt Washington School is very fortunate to have a team of volunteers who run our school library and volunteers who tutor, work in our classrooms and help with special events. However, we need more help! We are looking for volunteers to tutor students in math and to help in our after-school program. We are very open to college and high school students along with retirees who would like to give back. If you have a few hours a month to spare, consider joining our volunteer team. We are flexible and service hours are available. Call or email Ilene at 363-3835 or hayesil@cps-k12.org to learn more.

Children's Home After School Program

The Children's Home After School Program, offered Monday – Friday 2:10 – 6:00pm daily on site at Mt. Washington, hosted their Winter Parent Night on Wednesday 12/13. Students showcased a group mural and individual art pieces created under the direction of partner artist Cedric Cox. Students have been learning about shapes and shading in abstract art over the past quarter. In addition, parents participated in a family project that students planned for the event. The After-School program is currently accepting applications for extended care and works in partnership with Castle Connections activities; students are able to do both! Scholarships are available to private pay families, please contact Jasmaine Miller at 513-302-7972 for details.

From Our School Health Center



Winter is here and with it comes the flu season. Viral and bacterial infections are at their peak. Sneezing, coughing, sore throats, headaches, and sinus infections are some of the problems we will need to deal with. Don't forget our Mercy Health Center is located right inside of the school and our family nurse practitioner is here to serve you, your families, and friends. No appointment needed! Forget those crowded urgent care centers and long waits. Stop by for fast friendly service or call 363-3821 to schedule an appointment. *Remember washing your hands can stop the spread of germs.*

Thanks to Our Partners....

for ensuring that all 400 of our students received at least one holiday gift this year and providing support to 60 of our families during the holidays. This could not have happened without the generosity of 22 organizations and individuals including, *The Wish Tree Foundation, Toys for Tots, Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church, Mt. Washington United Methodist Church, Mt. Washington Baptist Church, Andersonhills United Methodist Church, Parkside Church, Salem Community Church, Morgan Stanley, Children's Hospital East, Macys, BeechAcres Parenting Center, Karma Wellness and the American Legion Post 484*. Many thanks to these wonderful donors for making the holiday season so special for our students and families!

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