## Dear West Sylvan Families,

Well, Spirit Week has been a lot of fun and very exciting here at WSMS! If you saw a bunch of educators looking very silly all week, it was all in an effort to encourage more school spirit and excitement amongst our scholars! We have enjoyed seeing so many of our scholars engage in the spirit of the week, showing their creativity and engaging in fun together! Each day of the week, we tallied how many scholars dressed up by second period class, and the top winners will get a special class treat! We've also had Advisory classes competing for the best "door decoration," which we judged today, and the winner will be announced to scholars soon! There is a lot to be grateful for as we move into November!

# **Congratulations to our WSMS Choir Club!**

Congratulations to our Choir Club and Lisa Riffel, who leads the group twice a week in the mornings! A number of our scholars submitted auditions for the Oregon Music Educators Association All-State Honor Chorus on January 13-14 in Eugene, Oregon. Of a group that is just over 100 for the entire state of Oregon, WSMS had an amazing 11 scholars chosen to join! A huge congratulations to our scholars who were selected this year, six scholars for Soprano, four scholars for Alto, and two for Cello in the Middle School Orchestra!

## **Notes of Appreciation?**

Thank you to the families who have already submitted some notes to WSMS team members! If you have a kind note to share, we'd love your feedback <u>here</u> to celebrate the ways WSMS adults support your scholars and your families! A little appreciation goes a long way and can really uplift someone's day!

### **Picking Up Scholars:**

Our office has been experiencing heavy family traffic prior to our 3:45pm dismissal, due to daily early pickups. If possible, we ask that you <u>avoid picking up your scholar between 3:15pm-3:45pm</u> as our office staff is limited in the afternoons. Any planning around that time frame is appreciated.

## ~ HIGHLIGHTS & REMINDERS ~

TALENTED & GIFTED (TAG) NOMINATIONS Deadline: Friday, Dec 3

QUARTER 2 BEGINS Monday 11/8 \*your scholar may have new elective classes

TECH UPDATES

FOUNDATION FUNDRAISERS

BAND FUNDRAISER: Saturday, November 13th, 12-3pm. \*come hear our young musicians and give to a good cause!

ORDER YEARBOOKS: \*order code 6339

SCHOOL COVID UPDATES

PROOF OF VACCINATION UPLOAD

OHSU COVID SCREENING KIT

SAFETY UPDATES

CARPOOL SURVEY

TRANSPORTATION

SCHOLAR LED CLUBS

Enjoy your weekend! Go Wolfpack! Jill, Evening, and Ben