

September 24, 2022

Dear West Sylvan Families,

We hope that you are enjoying a nice three-day weekend! Thank you to all families for joining us during Back-To-School Night or for taking the time to view items virtually. We understand that many of our families have very limited time, and any time that you can devote to a night at our campus is wonderful for our Educator team! If you missed the virtual version of the BTSN, it is also linked [here](#). We also want to thank our Counselors and our PackLeaders -- a group of dedicated Scholars, supported by our Counselors, who regularly volunteer their time to help lead events like Back-To-School Night! Also, thank you to our families, Scholars, and Educators for taking time out of their Saturday last weekend to start to beautify our center garden space! We appreciate your time and energy on a weekend!

MAP testing has been underway for Math classes. English will begin next week. This is the Fall testing time when we get some baseline data on the skills of our Scholars so that Educators can plan instruction for the year to meet Scholars' needs. The District will be mailing home copies of test scores from last school year in the coming weeks.

Student Supports

6th Grade:	Counselor:	Ricky Almeida [ralmeida@pps.net]
	Administrators:	Jill Hunt [jihunt@pps.net] Ben Keller [bkeller@pps.net]
7th Grade:	Counselor:	Kandice Abney [kaabney@pps.net]
	Administrator:	Ben Keller [bkeller@pps.net]
8th Grade:	Counselor:	Rebecca Cohen [rcohen@pps.net]
	Administrator:	Jill Hunt [jihunt@pps.net]

Reminder to Bring Charged Chromebooks and Chargers:

We have very few, if any, extra Chromebooks to loan out when our Scholars forget their devices at home. Please remind your Scholar to bring their device so that they can use it to access MAP testing and to stay caught up with class assignments.

- Visit our Counseling Corner [here](#)

Opportunities for Family Connection:

- [Sign up to Volunteer! We want your help \(especially during lunches or in the front office in the afternoons\)!](#)
- **New! 2022-2023 West Sylvan Family Directory organized by WSMS Foundation**

This year we are bringing back the West Sylvan Family Directory to help families connect with one another. The Directory will be completely online and accessible from computer or via an app on your phone. It's easy to register and families can quickly enter and approve their information. The directory is only successful if the majority of our school community registers, so please take a few minutes and enter your information. Registering will also allow you to receive future

communication directly from the Foundation about scholar and parent events and West Sylvan donation needs.

- **REGISTER NOW!** Visit <https://westsylvanfoundation.membershiptoolkit.com> to get started and follow the directions to register your family.
- Please note, when you create an account, an email invitation is sent from Membership Toolkit to verify that a valid email address has been entered. The email invitation for creating a new account is *only valid for 2 hours*, so if you are not able to access your email in that timeframe, you will have to start the process over again.
- Once you have registered, you will see opportunities to donate towards the Foundation and sign-up for one of many volunteer opportunities we will have this year.

We look forward to a wonderful 2022-2023 school year!

The 2022-2023 West Sylvan Foundation Board

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General Questions:

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Kirsten Crombie, Administrative Assistant: kcrombie@pps.net (attendance, enrollment, withdrawals)

Here are some dates to save on your calendar now in preparation:

- ★ *In-person family meeting regarding Outdoor School is this **Sunday, September 25th from 2:00 – 4:00PM**. A virtual option is at this link.*
- ★ *Tualatin Parks and Rec Community Event: **October 13, 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM** in the field behind school. Any local businesses who want to set up a table or sell items are welcome to self-promote, as it is an open community event.*
- ★ *Outdoor School for 6th Graders: **Sunday, October 23-28** ~ Overnight camp returns! More details to come through 6th grade Educators in the coming weeks.*

Go Wolf Pack!

Jill and Ben