

Washington Weekly News

What Day Is It?



Monday	September 5	No School
Tuesday	September 6	Day 1
Wednesday	September 7	Day 2
Thursday	September 8	Day 3
Friday	September 9	Day 4

President's Message

Welcome back to all our returning families, and a huge welcome to our new Washington families, we are so happy you are here!! It was great seeing so many of you at the Washington Pool Party and the Back to School Meet and Greet!! The PTA has been busy this summer planning some great events for the year ahead. The upcoming Fall Family Picnic is one such event and promises to be a great evening! So be sure to mark your calendar for Wednesday, Sept. 7th 6:00-8:00!

If you haven't had a chance to look over our [PTA volunteer form](#), please find a moment to do so. We have volunteer opportunities that are sure to meet both your interests/hobbies and your availability, there is something for everyone! The PTA is here to provide funds, programs and resources to enrich your child's education. We are so fortunate that Washington has always had an extremely active PTA and I encourage everyone to join. You can sign up [here](#).

Finally, I would like to invite everyone to our first PTA meeting of the 2016-2017 school year. We will be meeting on Tuesday 9/27. There will be a Principals Coffee at 8:45, followed by the Homeroom Parent Meeting at 9 and finally our PTA general meeting at 9:30. This is a great morning full of information (and some great people!!). I would love if you could join us!

All the best,

~ Allison Carey, PTA President

Important Dates

September

- 5 **No School:** Labor Day
- 7 Fall Family Picnic (Rain Date 9/8), 6:00 - 8:00 pm, Washington Playground and Mellon Field
- 9 **Noon Dismissal Grades 1-5** - Elementary Act 80 Day, AM & PM Kindergarten in session
- 15 Picture Day
- 16 PTA Membership Registration Deadline
- 22 DEAR: Science Fiction-Alien Hair Day
- 23 Read-a-Thon Kick Off
- 26 Apple Crunch Day
- 27 Principal's Coffee
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- 27 PTA Meeting
- 30 Kona Ice Social

PTA News

Fall Family Picnic



Get Ready Washington Families! The Fall Family Picnic is on September 7th and this is one of the school's BEST parties of the year! Join the faculty and Washington School Families from 6pm - 8pm on Mellon Field for some great eats, lots of entertainment, and catching up with old friends while meeting new ones! No other Washington event will pull together every single family in one place for such an awesome evening! Bring a picnic dinner for your family or bring a few bucks - we will have Lebo Subs offering their famous sub sandwiches and hot dogs, and BRGR will be there with a food truck selling hamburgers, fries and milkshakes! And we cannot forget Kona Ice, the kids favorite truck of all time! We will provide a bounce house and photo booth - you bring the balls, bats, and the family! Volunteers will be needed and check your email for volunteer spot this week - Sign up for one hour to help man the bounce house, photo booth, or sell drinks. Questions? Contact [Joyce Kraemer](#) or text 412-292-0980. See you on September 7th! Rain date is September 8th.

~ Joyce Kraemer, Fall Family Picnic

PTA Membership Drive



School has begun. Many people wonder, "How can I get involved in my child's school?" Answer - by joining WES PTA of course. As a member, you will be helping to enrich our students' educational experience by supporting programs such as cultural arts assemblies, field trips, author visits, lunchtime clubs, and other events throughout the year! The PTA also buys needed equipment and supplies for WES that are not supplied by the district. For example, this past school year, the WES PTA purchased and donated a poster maker/paper, classroom rugs, classroom support supplies, cooling fans for classrooms and books for the classroom leveled libraries. Membership also ensures that you'll receive weekly, digital copies of the Washington Weekly News AND a copy of the Washington Student & Family Directory (in PDF or paper copy form), which is an invaluable tool for keeping in touch with other students and parents throughout the year!

Registering is easy. Just click this [link](#), then fill out the form and press submit. Dues payments can be made via PayPal (an account **IS NOT** required) or cash or check (made out to Washington PTA, and placed in the Membership Box in the Main Office). Simple!!

There are approximately 455 students attending Washington. Let's get everyone involved!

If you have questions, please [email](#) me!

~ CharLynn Wertz, Membership Chair

School News

Welcome Back Washington

Welcome back Washington! I love having the hallways full again with children. The first week has gone well and we are off to a great start. Just a reminder that all students are permitted to have a water bottle with them during the school day. Cold water is available at the water fountains and in the cafeteria. Thank you to the PTA for the new bottle filler water fountain by the auditorium.

Please remember that supervision begins at 8:20 am on the playground. Students are permitted in the building at 8:30 am. On days with inclement weather, students will be permitted to enter the building at 8:20 am from the playground entrance and will report to the auditorium until 8:30 am.

Many fun events are ahead in the coming weeks, I look forward to seeing everyone!

~Mary Kay Davis, Principal

New Friends



It's great to be back at Washington seeing familiar and new faces.

This year, our school is welcoming 73 kindergarten students.

In First Grade, we welcome: Oliver Belcher, Arlie Bosco, Matthew Coleman, William Coleman, Braxton Hunt, Eliana Johnson, Eva Kantor, Carter Kletzly, William Kletzly, Roscoe Litchfield, William Norton, Leighton Pavlik, and Rosemary Stafford.

In Second Grade, we welcome: Nenzhi Chishimba, Alexandre Ligo Filho, Logan O'Brien, Lacqueeta Oduogo, Dhruv Sekaran, and Kevin Wang.

In Third Grade, we welcome: Tobias Belcher, Margaret Coleman, Chadeau Henneberger, Mateo Johnson, Furu Kurtasian, Daniella McClinchie, Jada Palmer, Gwennavere Priselac, and Kaili Woodland.

In Fourth Grade, we welcome: Anderson Cabe, Derrick Loehr, Ella Mackey, Ella McNamara, Sydney Mornet, Isabella Strickler, Nikhita Thakuria, and Tiffany Wang.

In Fifth Grade, we welcome: Finlay Belcher, Madison Callicot, Sarah Hudak, Zelie Presto, and Arul Santoshi.

Lets welcome all the new kids and families that are joining our Washington family!

~ Sharon Hartung and Christina Coulter, Human Relations

Scholastic Books are Back

Welcome back for another great school year. Nothing starts off the year better than some new books to read. Parents please check your children's folders because the scholastic order forms were sent home this week. Ordering books is easy just go to www.scholastic.com/readingclub and enter my code P6L9Q (Mrs Kelly Latona), it will open a whole world of books for you.



Payment can be done on their secure site with credit card or debit card. The deadline for ordering is September 9, 2016. The books should arrive in time for our annual Read-a-Thon. We will still accept paper orders with a check payable to Scholastic Books. No Cash please. The paper orders can be turned in the office.

Any questions please email [me](#)

~Kelly Latona, Book Sales

Collections Corner

Register your Giant Eagle Card



One of the easiest ways to earn CASH for our kids is to register your Giant Eagle card to earn points for Washington every time you buy your groceries. If you have not registered your [Giant Eagle Advantage](#) card in the past, you can click on the link to be taken to the online registration. You can also call [1-800-474-4777](tel:1-800-474-4777) and enter our school code (1668).

Do you have relatives, friends, and coworkers who also shop at Giant Eagle? Help them register their cards for Washington too! There's no need for them to have a child at Washington to register their cards for us.

Do you have some kids at other schools? No worries! You can register your card with up to 5 schools. Your points will be split among the schools you choose (but of course

we would like to selfishly keep all of your points for Washington!).

How important is it to register? The Giant Eagle Apples for Students program paid Washington \$1200 last year!

If you have any trouble registering, I'm happy to help. Just send [mean](#) email. And thank you all!

- Amy Olson and Samantha Dick, Collections Chairs

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