



WEST MILFORD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

As I write to you, our district is facing catastrophic cuts in school aide. Every year I urge you to vote on the school budget and for the candidates for the Board of Education. This year it is more important than in the past because the quality of our children's education really is at stake. The Board elections and budget vote will take place on Tuesday, April 20, 2010. **PLEASE VOTE!!**

April 14th signals the end of the third marking period. The final marking period is the home stretch for the school year. Our students must really apply themselves and make sure that all assignments are turned in on time. Studying for tests and finals is essential. If you haven't already signed up for Home Logic, it isn't too late. Directions can be found on the High School website in the Guidance Department section.

Attached you will find the calendar for April and May. Please make every effort to join us for all the end-of-the year activities, games, tournaments, concerts, induction ceremonies, and award ceremonies. If you do, you'll understand why we have so much to be proud of and what a shame it would be to lose the quality of our students' education.

I hope to see you at our Spring events. Take care. Please **VOTE!**

Sincerely,

Maureen Bemstock
Principal

NEW BOARD OF EDUCATION CELL PHONE & ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICE POLICY

The West Milford Board of Education recognizes that many parents or guardians depend on cellular phones/electronic communication devices (ECD) to communicate with their school age children. However, the West Milford Board of Education does not encourage students to bring these devices to school. The West Milford Board of Education is not responsible for any damage to or loss or theft of such items. Students who possess these devices while at school or at a school-related activity are required to adhere to the following regulations for appropriate usage.

If a student is found using a cell phone/ECD or having such a device visible to an employee during the school day or at a school-sponsored educational activity or if a student's cell phone/ECD disturbs an educational activity, the employee will ask the student to **immediately** relinquish the cell phone or ECD. Failure to do so will result in an automatic three-day in-school suspension and a Super Detention.

If a student is caught using a cell phone/ECD during any testing/assessment process, it will be presumed that the student was cheating. This will result in disciplinary consequences as deemed appropriate by the principal.

Parents/guardians should contact the Principal's office in the event of an emergency situation whereby they may need to speak with their school-age child.

CONSEQUENCES FOR CONFISCATED COMMUNICATION DEVICES:

First, Second and Third Offense:

- ▶ Cell phone or electronic communication device is confiscated.
- ▶ Parents/guardians are notified.
- ▶ Parent/guardian must pick up the cell phone.

Fourth and Subsequent Infractions:

- ▶ Student will receive suspension from school for insubordination.

NOTE: *Any student who refuses to give up his/her cell phone/electronic device for confiscation will receive an automatic three-day in-school suspension and a Super Detention.*

UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS AT WEST MILFORD HIGH SCHOOL

- Thursday, April 15 - 6:00 p.m. - District-Wide Arts Festival
- Friday, April 23 - 7:30 p.m. - An Evening of Jazz
- Thursday, May 13 - 7:30 p.m. - HS Choral Concert
- Thursday, May 20 - 7:30 p.m. - HS Band Concert

- Wednesday, May 26 - 6:30 p.m. - Mac/HS Jazz Ensemble - Bubbling Springs, 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, June 22 - 7:30 p.m. - HS Choral Cabaret Night

All concerts are open to the public and all are welcome.

PROJECT GRADUATION CABLETHON

This year's Project Graduation Cablethon will be aired on Sunday, April 18 at from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Please tune in to channel 78 and enjoy this student-run production. The Cablethon will include highlights from this school year, live entertainment and interviews. All proceeds will go towards the 2010 Project Graduation. Thank you in advance for your donation and support.

PROJECT GRADUATION FLOWER SALE

One sure sign of spring is the annual Project Graduation Flower Sale. Both bedding plants and beautiful hanging baskets are available for purchase. Order forms are available in all West Milford schools or on our website (www.wmtps.org). The last day to order flowers is Wednesday, April 21, 2010. The date to pick up flower orders is Friday, May 7, 2010.

HELP WANTED

Summer Jobs for Students

Custodial Interns are needed to assist custodial staff with cleaning, moving furniture and other related tasks as assigned by supervisor. Applicants must have working papers, attend or have graduated from West Milford High School and meet eligibility standard. Applications are available at West Milford High School Guidance Dept. and West Milford Board of Education Building. Applications must be received by April 6, 2010.

SPRING TESTING DATES

End-of-Course - Biology
 ___ May 17 & 18 ___ Make-Ups: May 19 & 20

End-of-Course - Algebra I
 May 24 ___ Make-Ups: May 27

AP Testing (Week One):

United States Govern. & Politics
 Monday, May 3
 Spanish Language
 Tuesday, May 4
 Calculus AB & Calculus BC
 Wednesday, May 5
 English Literature and Composition
 Thursday, May 6
 United States History / Studio Art
 Friday, May 7

AP Testing (Week Two):

Biology / Music Theory / Physics C: Mechanics
 Monday, May 10
 Psychology
 Tuesday, May 11
 English Language and Composition
 Wednesday, May 12
 World History
 Thursday, May 13

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION/BUDGET ELECTION
APRIL 20, 2010

Thank you, Mrs. Drexler's and Mr. Schreiner's
 classes,
 for helping with this newsletter.