

Dear WHMS Families,

Please consider coming out to support our winter musical performances at Marry Harrison Center. All concerts begin at 6:30pm. Students and teachers work extremely hard to prepare an enjoyable evening of fine music. I had the pleasure to attend the Orchestra Concert this past week.

Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> - Band Concert – students arrive at 6pm in concert shirt, black dress pants, black socks and black dress shoes

Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> - Choral Concert – students arrive at 6pm in concert shirt, black dress pants, black socks and black dress shoes

Have a Great Weekend!

James Kurtz

Principal

### **ROBOTICS TEAM**

WHMS is starting a Robotics Team. If your student is interested in learning more about designing and building a robot using engineering and computer skills this might be the club for them. See the attached permission slip for more details.

### **GIRLS CLUB**

The WHMS girls club Keeping it REAL will be starting in January. This club meets once a week after school in the Media Center to talk about diet and nutrition, relationships, self-defense and a lot of other things. The permission slip is attached and can also be picked up in the Media Center. Email Mrs. Jones in the Media Center if you have questions at [jonesan@calvertnet.k12.md.us](mailto:jonesan@calvertnet.k12.md.us) .

Parents: Please take a moment and follow the link below to complete the national **“Speak Up” Survey**.

Speak Up is the only national education research project that provides stakeholders a voice in national education policy AND schools with valuable feedback that can be used in planning and decision-making.

<https://speakup.tomorrow.org>

**YEARBOOKS ARE ON SALE!** Please visit

[http://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1661842/Windy-Hill-Middle-School/2018-Yearbook/2017091504301482356/CATALOG\\_SHOP/?jsessionid=108DE52F6C18FE013E1C77EA3876BFDA](http://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1661842/Windy-Hill-Middle-School/2018-Yearbook/2017091504301482356/CATALOG_SHOP/?jsessionid=108DE52F6C18FE013E1C77EA3876BFDA) to purchase your yearbooks. Yearbooks are currently \$30 but the price will go up on Dec. 1st. Hurry and order your yearbook NOW!

### **YEABOOK PHOTOS WANTED!**

Attention Parents..... The Yearbook Committee is looking for pictures of Spirit Week, Soccer, and Volleyball. If you have any pictures you would like to share, please email them to [taymans@calvertnet.k12.md.us](mailto:taymans@calvertnet.k12.md.us).

### **HUNTINGTOWN HS MARCHING HURRICANES**

The Marching Hurricanes will be holding their marching workshop on Saturday, December 9th in the

Huntingtown High School Band room from 9am until 12noon. The workshop is open to all current 6th, 7th and 8th graders.

Come out and:

- Learn our marching technique
- Get to know our current members
- Spin a flag with our color guard
- Play your instrument with the band
- Watch our competition DVD's
- Learn what role you can play with us!
- We take everyone regardless of experience!
- Discover what an amazing adventure you will have by joining our "Marching Hurricanes"

Remember: Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>  
Huntingtown High School Band Room  
9am until 12 noon

### **HOME ACCESS CENTER**

If your student is not new to the Calvert County School System, your **Home Access Center (HAC) credentials** will remain the same as you previously set them. If you are new to the school system, you should have received information in the first day folder so you can set up your account to monitor important academic content regarding your child.

### **TWITTER**

Follow WHMS on Twitter @WHMSCCPS

### **ATHLETICS:**

Athletics for December 11<sup>th</sup> through December 15<sup>th</sup>:

#### Girls Basketball:

Practices:

Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>  
Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

#### Boys Basketball:

6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Only:  
Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>

#### Poms:

Practice – Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>  
Practice - Wednesday – December 13<sup>th</sup>  
Try-Outs – Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.  
Girls will be allowed to leave after they try-out on Thursday.

#### Cheer:

Practice – Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>

Tryouts – Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

Girls will be allowed to leave after they try-out on Tuesday.

If you have any questions in regards to any of the above information, please contact Kathy Jones, Athletic Director on 443-550-9295 or email on [jonesk@calvertnet.k12.md.us](mailto:jonesk@calvertnet.k12.md.us)

### **WHAT'S HAPPENING AT WHMS 11-15**

<b>Monday</b>	6:30pm Band Concert @ Mary Harrison, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball 6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> , Poms, Cheer
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30pm Chorus Concert @ Mary Harrison, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball 6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> , Cheer Tryouts, MESA, SGA
<b>Wednesday</b>	Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball 6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> , Poms, Solo Ensemble 7 <sup>th</sup> Gr.
<b>Thursday</b>	Pom Tryouts, Culinary Club
<b>Friday</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Interims in HAC, Girls Basketball, Solo Ensemble 8 <sup>th</sup> Gr.

**PTSA - NEXT MEETING** is scheduled for December 20th at 5:30pm in the Media Center. Hope to see you there!

**REFLECTIONS – Thank you to all who submitted an entry in the National PTA Reflections program. Please contact Natalie Campbell at [personatalie1@gmail.com](mailto:personatalie1@gmail.com) should you have any questions about the next steps in the judging process.**

**There are still many ways your family can support WHMS PTSA.**

**BOXTOPS:** Please continue to clip and submit the Boxtops. Please review the expiration date before sending in. Boxes are located in the front lobby for each grade. The winning grade wins a treat each quarter.

Please note that Campbell's soup labels are no longer being accepted. The labels for Education was discontinued in August.

**AMAZON SMILE-** please register WHMS as your organization of choice for their donations

**New procedure for Giant A+ School Rewards program- please read:**

WHMS is participating in the Giant A+ School Rewards Program, a great school fundraising program that runs from October 6, 2017 through March 15, 2018. This is an easy way for you to help our school earn CASH each time my family members and friends shop at any Giant Food Store. Please help our school and register your Giant Card to our **SCHOOL ID#\_03617**. PTSA members can no longer register your card as we did in the past. We apologize for any confusion.

**BUT if you supported our school last year, you DO NOT need to register your card again!**

**Here's How You Can Help:**

- Visit [www.giantfood.com](http://www.giantfood.com) and select **Savings & Rewards**. Follow the prompts to create your online account. You'll need your 12-digit Giant Card number and the School ID # 03617

**IF YOU DON'T KNOW YOUR GIANT CARD NUMBER CALL 1-877-366-2668 OPTION #1**

**To earn points:**

- Use your Giant Card each time you shop at Giant, and you will earn **CASH** for my school. You can track the number of points you are earning for our school by checking your grocery receipt starting October 6, 2017 through March 15, 2018.
- At the end of each month, your points are calculated and converted to CASH rewards. These CASH rewards for our school are updated monthly. You can track our progress when you sign in to your online account.
- WHMS will receive one CASH awards check at the end of the program and can use this cash for any of its educational needs.

Our school needs your support! Please take a moment to register your Giant Card today! And don't forget to tell your friends and neighbors to do the same. It could mean the world to our school.

**Thank you for supporting our Rewards Program to help fund PTSA activities for our WHMS students & faculty!**

**Nondiscrimination Statement**

Calvert County Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, ancestry or national origin, familial status, marital status, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or genetic information or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:

- Director of Student Services
  - Director of Human Resources
- 443-550-8000

For further information on notice of non-discrimination, visit the Office of Civil Rights Complaint Assessment System at: <http://ocrccas.ed.gov> or call 1-800-421-3481.

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**Anti-sexual, Anti-racial and Anti-Disability Harassment Statement**

Discrimination can manifest itself in behaviors such as bullying, harassment, or intimidation of individuals.

Calvert County Public Schools does not tolerate any form of harassment including, but not limited to, sexual, racial, or disability. Any individual (student, employee, or community member) who believes that he or she has been subjected to any form of harassment is encouraged to report the allegation of harassment. Students, parents and community members may report allegations of harassment to:

Ms. Kimberly Roof

Director of Student Services  
Calvert County Public Schools  
1305 Dares Beach Road  
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Employees may report allegations of harassment to:

Ms. Laveeta Hutchins  
Director of Human Resources  
Calvert County Public Schools  
1305 Dares Beach Road  
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Calvert County Public Schools is committed to conducting a prompt investigation for any allegation of harassment. If harassment has occurred, the individual will be disciplined promptly. Disciplinary actions for students found to have engaged in any form of harassment may result in suspension or expulsion. Disciplinary actions for employees found to have engaged in any form of harassment may result in suspension or termination.

Calvert County Public Schools encourages all students, parents, employees, and community members to work together to prevent any form of harassment.

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