Wea Ridge Middle School

May 2018

From the Desk of Mr. Roop...

As this newsletter finds it way to you, we will have only a few short and very busy weeks to wrap up the school year. We have had a tremendous year at Wea Ridge Middle. Our May newsletter contains important end of the year information. We have many culminating activities for our classes, clubs, and activities. I hope you have an opportunity to join us in these year end celebrations. I would like to draw your attention to a letter in the newsletter from the technology department detailing the plans for the Chromebooks this summer. Please read through this letter as there are many important details about the care and maintenance or Chromebooks. Eighth grade students will turn their Chromebooks and chargers in on May 25th. All other students will keep their computers over the summer. Any 6th or 7th grade students who are not returning to Wea Ridge Middle School next year, should plan to turn in their computers on May 25th.

Here are a few more excited activities to conclude the school year:

May 25 - School Awards Program 8:15am

May 29 - Last student day

As always, thank you for your help in making this a successful school year. I appreciate the wonderful ways our parents help Wea Ridge Middle School and support our students every day. It is this partnership that makes our school great!

The week of May 7-11 is Teacher Appreciation Week. The Husky Parent Association will be providing the WRM staff with treats to celebrate their hard work. Thank you for your support of our teachers and the outstanding work they do with our students on a daily basis The Wea Ridge Middle staff puts in countless hours to help our students succeed. If you have a minute, our teachers always appreciate a "Thank you" from students and parents.

Thank you to HotBox pizza for sponsoring our Pizza with the Principals this year. HotBox Pizza has donated the pizzas to help us celebrate the amazing accomplishments of our students this year.

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End of Year Chromebook Information

TSC 1 to 1 Technology Initiative

End of the Year Parent Information

Dear TSC Parent/Guardian:

As the school year comes to a close, we would like to share some important information with you pertaining to TSC's 1 to 1 technology initiative. Please carefully review the below information. If you have any questions, please contact your child's school.

* ***Students in 6th and 7th grade will keep their device over the summer*** . Students are expected to provide the same level of care for their device over the summer as they do during the school year. Students will retain their current protective case for the upcoming year and their Chromebook should stay in the case at all times. When school resumes in August, students will be expected to have their device in working condition for academic use. One of the primary reasons for allowing students to retain their device over the summer is the learning opportunities it can provide. Students can access online resources, check out books from the TSC digital library, and stay connected to educational materials.
* ***What if the device is damaged or stops working over the summer?***
    - For summer support, TSC will be opening its Computer Repair and Maintenance (CRAM) classrooms at both Harrison and McCutcheon High Schools to middle school families. The CRAM classrooms will be open from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Monday through Friday during the summer. If your child's device is damaged or stops working, please visit one of the CRAM classrooms to receive support.
    - Please do not wait until school resumes in August to seek support, as this could result in a period of time without a functioning device.

End of Year Chromebook Information

* ***What if my family is moving?***
    - If you know your family will be moving over the summer and your child will not be attending a TSC middle school next school year, you are responsible for returning the device and its charging cord to TSC .
    - If you know you are moving now, you can return the device and charging cord to your child's school at the end of the school year.
    - If you are moving but your child will still attend a TSC middle school next year, you must still return your child's device and charging cord to the CRAM classroom at one of the TSC high schools. They will receive a new device at their new TSC middle school next school year.
    - If you learn you are moving over the summer, please return the device and charging cord to the CRAM classroom at one of the TSC high schools.
    - Failure to return the device and charging cord will result in an invoice in the full amount of the device.
* ***Insurance Protection***
    - If you purchased an insurance policy through Worth Ave. Group, it covers your child's device for one calendar year. If a damage happens over the summer, the policy will cover the cost of the repair. Please note: You must purchase a new one-year policy at the beginning of each school year. Information about the insurance policy option can be found on the TSC 1 to 1 Initiative webpage at https://sites.google.com/a/tsc.k12.in.us/tsc-1-to-1-initiative/home.
* Students in 8th grade will return their device at the end of the school year, as they will be issued a new device next school year at the high school level. Students will also be expected to return their charging cord. Students may be charged for damages to their device or if they do not have a charging cord to return. The protective cases will not be collected. If your child's case is in good condition, they may consider using it next year at the high school level when they receive their new device, as high school students are issued backpacks rather than protective cases.

Daily Announcements

Wea Ridge Daily Announcements can be found on the WRM webpage, http://wrm.tsc.k12.in.us/.

Click on Student Life menu option and then go to Daily Announcements. You can access the written copy or see the announcement via our YouTube channel.

Kings Island Trip

The annual school incentive trip to Kings Island is scheduled for **Thursday, May 31**. On the 30th, the buses will leave Wea Ridge at 6:30 AM, and we should return at approximately 8:00 PM that evening.

The cost per student for the trip will be $80.00. This covers the price of admission to the park, a food voucher for lunch, and the school's cost for the charter transportation.

Trip Criteria

To be eligible for the Kings Island incentive trip at the conclusion of the school year, a student must meet each of the following criteria:

1. The student must have been enrolled at Wea Ridge for two of the first three 9 week grading periods.

2. The student must have no more than 10 unexcused absences from school.

3. The student must have not been suspended from school at any point during the school year. This includes in-school suspensions and out-of -school suspensions.

4. The student must not have had bus riding privileges suspended at any point during the school year.

5. Student must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA.

6. All school fees, including textbook rental, individual class fees, and the student's cafeteria account, must be paid in full. The school administration reserves the right to disqualify any student for this incentive for excessive referrals to the office at any point during the school year.

Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first served basis for eligible students beginning @ 7:45 a.m. on the following dates: **Tuesday, May 8th for 8th graders, Wednesday, May 9th for 7th graders, and Thursday, May 12th for 6th graders**, and if we have remaining seats available the last day we will accept them will be Monday, May 14th for all students who qualify.

E-Flyers

TSC supports "green" efforts and as such to help ensure students receive information about community services or events, flyers from non-profit outside organizations are posted online in a section called E-flyers. All E-Flyers can be accessed from any TSC School website: www.tscschools.com, by clicking the 'students' or 'parents' link in the upper right hand corner of the webpage. E-Flyers will be posted on the 15th and 30th of the month so be sure to check regularly for newly posted information. If your qualifying organization is interested in posting an E-Flyer, go to www.tscschools.com E-flyers section to submit the information.

Music News

The Wea Ridge music department will be hosting two important music events in May! The final Band Concert (all bands) will be held on **Wednesday, May 9, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.** in the school gymnasium. The final Choir Concert will be held on **Thursday, May 17, 2018, at 6:00** in the school gymnasium. Please come support our music students in their final concerts of the school year!

Husky Paws Sale Donations

DO YOU HAVE THINGS AT HOME THAT YOU NO LONGER WANT OR NEED? PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING THEM TO OUR PARKING LOT SALE.

During the spring of 2019, 52 members of the Husky Paws Travel Club will travel to 4 European Capitals. We are raising funds for our trip! Please consider dropping off gently used items to help our cause. We can even come pick things up if that is easier for you. Call or Text 765-409-9828 for more information about us picking up your items!

DROP OFF DATE/TIME/LOCATION

FRIDAY, MAY 18 FROM 5:00-8:00PM AT WEA RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL. DOOR #1

*NO Tube Type TV's Accepted This Year

Husky Paws Annual Sale

2018

Husky Paws Travel Club
Annual Parking Lot Sale

When: Saturday, May 19 Time: 8:00am-Noon

Where: Wea Ridge Middle School Front Parking Lot

4410 S. 150 E. Lafayette, IN

What: Over 40 Families Participating In Our Annual Sale-
Furniture, Clothing, Holiday, Household, Toys, Tools, ETC.

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE THIS YEAR

All donations will benefit the Husky Paws Travel Club and our 2019 Trip to European Capitals. We have 52 people traveling to Amsterdam, Brussels, Paris and London in March of 2019.

Husky Paws Arby's Night

Arby's

Tippecanoe Mall - Lafayette, IN

2219 Sagamore Pkwy. S.

Thursday, May 10, 2018 5 - 8 PM

20% OF YOUR ORDER WILL BE DONATED TO

HUSKY PAWS TRAVEL CLUB'S

EUROPE 2019 TRIP

TSC Middle School S.T.E.M. Camp

Overview:

The TSC Middle School S.T.E.M. camp is open to all students 11+, but designed for kids 11 - 14 years old. The camp's focus is to facilitate a fun and engaging learning environment all while using modern technology used in the workforce today. The camp will be run by Blake Hurd and Ricci Barber, engineering and technology teachers at TSC with degrees from Purdue University, and an animation graduate student from Purdue University.

STEM CAMP IS OPEN TO ANY AND ALL STUDENTS 11+

Schedule:

Date: June 4th - 8th from

Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Wea Ridge Middle School

Cost: $75

- 5 Days of Camp (3 hours per day)
- T- Shirt with Camp Logo
- 3D Printed Object
- Daily Snack
- Pizza

Activities:

Automation	EV3 Lego Mindstorm Robotics
Advanced Manufacturing	Computer Aided Design / Drafting 3D Printing
Computer Graphics	Animation

Sign Up

Email Blake Hurd or Ricci Barber for more information.

STUDENTS TODAY
HUSKIES FOREVER

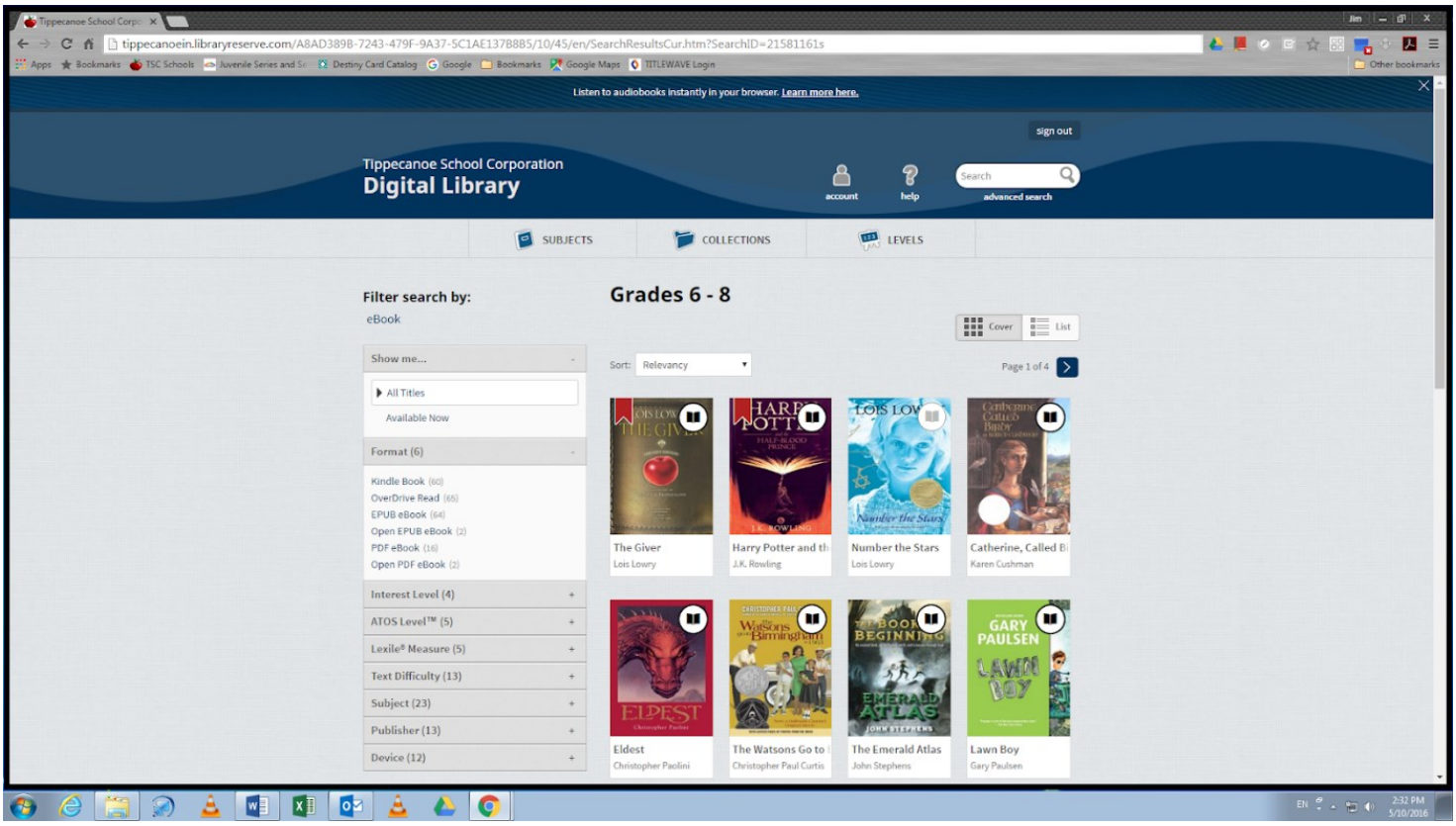
TSC Digital Library : Available All Summer Long

TSC students have year round access to TSC ever growing collection of ebooks and audio-books. The easiest access to it is through the **Go Follett** app on your Chromebook book. Scroll down to find the ebook ribbon and browse the middle school selection. In addition, the Overdrive digital library allows for books to be read on your personal devices (Kindle, Nook, iPad, etc.) as well.

An alternative way of accessing the digital collection is through the **Tech Links** on your **TSC home page** for **Overdrive**. Your TSC login and password is your library card information.

TSC Libraries reach out to today's students where they search: on their phones, e-readers, and computers. Each e-books may be offered in two formats, Kindle and Adobe's .pdf, which is a format used by Nooks, Samsung, and computers. Devices vary widely and often will require students and parents working together to download a book to your device.

To enhance your search experience, make use of the filters on the left side of the screen. Sorting books by "Subject", "Interest Level", "Reading Level", plus the robust "Most Popular" Our newest arrivals are found by sorting by "Release Date".



Husky Homework Help

The Husky Homework Help is an after school program designed to provide academic support to each student. The help is offered every day from 2:30p-3:15p. It is a voluntary program in which students may elect to participate in however, teachers may recommend students to participate in the program as well. The program provides students with an opportunity to complete their homework in an educational setting while having access to classroom materials. Each student who participates must bring materials to work on and be picked up by 3:15pm.

Morning Student Drop-Off

Please help us maintain efficient student drop-off in the morning by following these guidelines:

- Stay in the line of cars as it progresses through the parking lot
- Beware of the Special Education busses
- Please pull past the door to the end of the yellow curb to allow more cars by the door
- All students should exit on the curb side of the vehicle

QUICKLINKS

PowerSchool

My School Bucks

Lunch/Breakfast Menus

Here Comes the Bus

E-Flyers

TSC Alerts and Notifications

WRM May 2018 Calendar of Events

Great idea: Print this page or any part of the newsletter and post it on your refrigerator, so you don't miss out on any of the excitement here at Wea Ridge Middle School!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 NWEA Testing 8am Travel Club 6pm	2 NWEA Testing 8am	3 NWEA Testing 8am	4 Athletic Grade Checks	5
6	7	8	9 Band Concert 6pm	10 Incoming 6th grade parent meeting for Fall of 2018 6pm	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Choir Concert 6pm	18 Athletic Grade Checks	19 Travel Club Parking Lot Sale 8am
20	21	22	23	24	25 WRM Awards Program 8:15 am	26
27	28 Memorial Day No School	29 Final Student Day	30	31		