

The Snow Leopard's Spot

Cascade Elementary's Monthly Newsletter - November 2022

*From the desk of
Mrs. Winders*



GIVING THANKS

November is the perfect time of year to reflect and practice gratitude. I am thankful for our wonderful staff here at Cascade Elementary. Feel free to send your child's teacher a quick note of appreciation that will make their day. Positive connections between home and school creates a stronger learning environment for all!

I also appreciate the partnership we have with parents as we work as a team to create the best learning experience for your students. Thank you for your hard work and ongoing support!

MARKING PERIOD 2

November 9th marks the beginning of Marking Period 2. ***Parent-Teacher Conferences are a thing of the past***, but as always if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's academic progress, please do not hesitate to contact their teacher.

Remember, you can also keep up with your child's grades by logging into your parent account with ParentVue. If you need help with your login, please contact Mrs. Kandi at woostkan@wcps.k12.md.us.

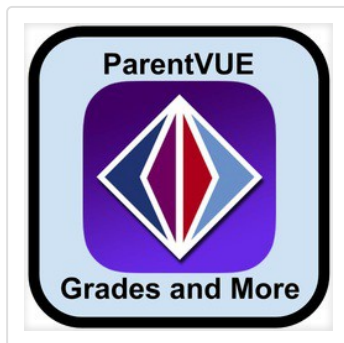
PARENT DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURES

Thank you for your assistance in adjusting to the parent drop off/pick up procedures and safety measures. Please continue to stay clear of the bus loop both before and after school until all four buses have loaded into the drop off area. If you arrive before the buses, please park in our staff lot until they have passed through.

We encourage all students to attend school for the full day. However, if you must sign your student out before our 2:25 pm dismissal, please send a note prior to your arrival so staff can be ready. Thank you!

As always, feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Yours in Education,
Mrs. Winders



November 7th - End of Marking Period 1!

Report Cards will be available
through ParentVue on
November 14th!

November 8th - NO SCHOOL!

There is no school for students
for Election Day. Make your
vote count!

November 23rd- 25th - NO SCHOOL!

Staff and Students have no
school for Thanksgiving Break.
Gobble! Gobble!



Early Release Procedures during the School Day



WCPS has recently amended the policy that will only allow a release of student during their instructional day with a parent note. The parent or guardian must provide written notice to the school if a student is to be released during the school day. No blanket notes will be accepted. The note must identify the name of the person who will be picking the student up. The person picking up the child **MUST** have their photo ID when coming to the school. In the event of an emergency, please contact the school to make arrangements. As always, you may email Mrs. Kandi with your early dismissal note as well at woostkan@wcps.k12.md.us . Thank you for helping us keep your child safe!



Covid Guidelines for Parents

As we head into cold and flu season, WCPS has updated their Covid protocols so we are in accordance with guidance provided by the Maryland State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health. At this time schools will not be testing for, or contact tracing for Covid-19. Parents who suspect that their child or family members are positive are encouraged to contact their primary care physician and follow their guidance for return to school dates. You may read more [here](#)

Cascade Elementary

PTO



PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Click here to join the the new Cascade PTO!

You may contact the new PTO at: cascadep1@gmail.com!

From the Cascade PTO

Welcome! Our new organization is up and running and we are so excited to have the ability to serve our wonderful school, staff and families! Our meetings will be held monthly via Google Meet. We are always searching for new members and volunteers to help us out with all of our events, so if you haven't already, PLEASE JOIN US! The membership fee is \$5.00, and with that membership you are provided voting rights for all topics discussed at our meetings.

This month we will be sending home "All About My Teacher" forms that the PTO has collected from staff. These forms will be a helpful way to show appreciation to your child's teacher all year long by providing you a with a list of their favorite things!

Our next PTO Event is the Holiday Party held on Saturday, December 10th at 11:00 am.

You may contact us anytime at cascadep1@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support!

*Cascade Staff Member
of the Month!*



Congratulations to our Paraprofessional Mr. Taylor for being our Staff Member of the Month! Mr. Taylor is always available to assist both students and staff with a smile! Thank you for all that you do to support our school Mr. Taylor!

From the desk of Mrs. Breakall



PBIS = Cascade P.R.I.D.E!

We have so much to celebrate with our new PRIDE awards!

We will be celebrating students each month who have earned perfect attendance. These students will receive a certificate, pencil and photo on our attendance wall. The class with the highest percentage will also earn a class-chosen reward and our school mascot, Lucky the Leopard!

Our school store is hopping with so many students spending their hard-earned Leopard Loot!

In addition to students being nominated for "Student of the Month", we also have a way for students to be "Spotted Showing PRIDE!" Pictures are posted on our PRIDE walls throughout the school.

Our school pledge is:

Cascade Takes P.R.I.D.E.: We are...

Prepared and positive every day!

Respectful to myself and others!

Important and valued!

Determined and display self-control!

Excellent and empathetic!

Make sure you also celebrate these achievements at home as well! We are so proud of our Snow Leopards!

Hours and Dismissal Procedures

School doors open at 7:35 a.m. The tardy bell rings at 7:55 a.m., tardy students must be signed in by a parent/guardian. Student dismissal is at 2:25 p.m.

Upon arrival either by bus or private transportation, all students will enter through the cafeteria doors when they open at 7:35 am. Students arriving by car before 7:35 am, must park in the parking lot as the bus loop will be unavailable to cars until 7:45 am.

After the tardy bell rings at 7:55 am, all students and visitors must enter the building through the main entrance. Students arriving late must be signed in by a parent/guardian.

Student dismissal is at 2:25 pm. Please do not pull into the bus loop until all four buses have pulled through first. Students will be brought out to cars and released to parents after the buses leave.

The school office hours are Monday-Friday, 7:00 am - 3:00 pm.



Washington County Public Schools has a policy which allows the Cascade Elementary School attendance area to either be delayed, closed, or to dismiss early, in the event of inclement weather. This zone was determined by the conditions in the higher elevations surrounding Cascade Elementary School affecting elementary, middle and high school students. With the increased attendance area, it is important to clarify who is affected by a decision to implement a schedule change due to inclement weather in the area identified as the Cascade Mountain Weather Zone (CMWZ).

Please be sure to download the WCPS mobile app is available at the iTunes Store or Google Play by searching for "Washington County PS." The app is a free download and can be customized so that parents can see information from the schools their children attend.

Cascade Mountain Weather Zone



A small school making a BIG difference!



Cascade Elementary School Website

WCPS Calendar for 2022-2023




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