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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Winter Springs High School Students and Parents:

Happy summer! Believe it or not, the 2021-2022 school year is right around the corner. In August, we will welcome around 2000 students back to Winter Springs High School. This summer has already been a busy one! We welcomed many students to summer school in June and the students have been terrific completing requirements and some incoming 9th graders getting acquainted to Winter Springs High School. I would like to say a huge "Thank you" to our facilities crew that is working hard to prepare our campus for the 2021-22 school year. They have spent the summer deep cleaning our classrooms, waxing our floors, and pressure washing around campus! We can't wait for the new school year to begin!

As always, my communication to parents and the community will be divided into sections.

SENIOR PHOTO INFORMATION

NOW! WSHS CLASS OF 2022 - SENIOR PHOTO TIME!

Here is the link for the virtual kick-off video. It is a link to an owncloud folder that they can view and download from.

- www.leonards.com/seniors2022

Send questions to: ejordan@leonards.com

UPCOMING DATES:

Tuesday, August 3 Bear Bash 10am-12pm

Saturday, August 7 Athletic Facility Clean-Up Day 9am-12pm

Tuesday, August 10 1st Day of School

Tuesday, August 24 WSHS Open House 6pm-8pm

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BEAR NECESSITIES



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PARKING DECALS

Parking Decals will be sold at Bear Bash on August 3rd and then anytime after school starts. They will not be available for sale before August 3rd.

BUS TRANSPORTATION

Transportation information for your student will be available August 3rd at Bear Bash. Any additional questions, please reach out to transportation directly at 407-320-7550.

WSHS ACADEMIC INFORMATION

IB PROGRAM

Our IB Program (International Baccalaureate) has available seats!! Students who have been designated Pre-IB now start their junior year which is when the IB program really begins to be exciting! If you are interested in learning more about this program, please contact Mrs. Bowman, Assistant Principal, at 407-320-8726 (lori_bowman@scps.us) or IB Coordinator, Mrs. Doherty at 407-320-8889 (courtney_doherty@scps.us), or Andrea Hormuth andrea_hormuth@scps.us

SUMMER TESTING

Stay tuned for details to be announced soon!

STUDENT SERVICES/ GUIDANCE INFORMATION

WSHS SUMMER STUDENT SERVICES INFORMATION

To assist you, please read through the following:

For the 2021-2022 School year, Winter Springs High School counselors will be assigned the following students:

- Ms. Spence: All students with IEPs
- Ms. Hormuth: All students in the IB or PreDP program and Last Names MO-RE
- Ms. Chiu: Last names A-FO
- Ms. McBryde: Last names FR-MI
- Ms. Urena: Last names RH-Z and all ESOL students

WSHS Counselors are not available until August 2nd and by appointment only.

- Winter Springs High School Student Services Parent / Guardian / Visitors visits over the summer are available by appointment only through June 1- June 24:

Please email wshs_guidance@scps.k12.fl.us or call 407-320-8893 for any of the following needs not addressed:

For NEW registrations, visit: <https://www.scps.k12.fl.us/parents/enrolling-your-student/>

- Our staff will contact you if you need to bring in materials to complete the registration
- For withdrawals, contact Deb Stearns at montevda@scps.k12.fl.us

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For 2021 Seniors and current students' transcript and records requests, visit <https://tinyurl.com/ya4rl2uv/>.

For former students' transcript and records requests, visit <https://scpsfl.scribder.com/>.

- For summer school information or questions, please contact Jakob Jarzynka, Assistant Principal, at jakob_jarzynka@scps.k12.fl.us or 407-320-8704.
- If you are requesting a schedule change, please know that no changes will be honored if submitted via e-mail. Later in the summer, students will be provided with a link to change schedules, after your 2021-22 schedules go live in Skyward.
- All Dual Enrollment Applications for the Fall 2021 semester can be brought for a Counselor signature on Wednesday, July 28. If you would prefer to email the application, please do so only on Wednesday, July 28 before 2 p.m. Please visit the SCPS Dual Enrollment link for more details. <https://www.scps.k12.fl.us/.../instructi.../dual-enrollment/>
- Stay tuned for announcements from Mr. Gaffney. Bear Bash will be on Tuesday, August 3 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
- For all other requests, please email wshs_guidance@scps.k12.fl.us.

STAY IN TOUCH WITH WINTER SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL:

FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/WelcomeToTheDenWSHS/>

Check out our Facebook Page for more WSHS Information

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ATTENTION CLASS OF 2022!

It's senior video time and we need your first submission which is your baby picture. Please email a baby picture to Mrs. Wilkerson at dawn_wilkerson@scps.us . You can submit one baby picture. Deadline will be November 1st but time flies so don't wait! You will receive an email that it was received. If you don't get that email then make sure you reach out. We don't want to miss anyone!



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WSHS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WSHS ATHLETICS??

In order to participate in conditioning workouts or team tryouts you must complete this process:

SCPS ONLINE ATHLETIC PHYSICAL SUBMISSION SYSTEM

We wanted to let you all know about our new online Athletic Physical Clearance System. This new system will take a little getting used to but it will be much more efficient while eliminating any potential for kids to "slip through the cracks" that are not cleared to condition, practice or compete. It will also help cut down on traffic into the front office and save parents from driving back and forth to get all required paperwork and signatures submitted.

NEW SCPS ONLINE ATHLETIC PHYSICAL SYSTEM

<https://www.athleticclearance.com/>

PARENTS CREATING ONLINE ACCOUNT IN NEW SYSTEM

After parents create their account they must electronically sign required forms and upload all required documents in their portal before their student is cleared.

Directions Packet for student athletes and parents:

- <http://www.winterspringshs.scps.k12.fl.us/core/fileparse.php/180/urlt/WSHS-Athletics-Online-Sports-Physical-Clearance-Directions-PDF.pdf>

Updated FHSA EL2 Form:

- <http://www.winterspringshs.scps.k12.fl.us/core/fileparse.php/180/urlt/FHSA-EL2-Sports-Physical-Form.pdf>

Any questions about physical process, please email athletic secretary Mrs. Gibbs if you have any questions: christina_gibbs@scps.k12.fl.us.

Meet the Coaches Day: Tuesday, August 3 – during Bear Bash 10am-12pm

Athletic Facility Clean-Up Day: Saturday, August 7 9am-12pm

WSHS FOOTBALL INFORMATION

Summer workouts begin Monday June 7th. There will be 2 sessions, choose 1. M,T & Th 9 am-11 am or 5 pm-7pm. Current players and incoming Freshman please bring water, mask, sneakers and cleats. Contact Head Coach Matt Hesselbart, matt_hesselbart@scps.k12.fl.us with any questions.

BOYS/GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY INFORMATION

Calling on all incoming 9th graders and current students' 10th grade-12th grade! Our Boys/Girls Cross Country Team is looking for runners! Runners meet 6:30am at the Pit Monday-Friday throughout the summer! Come and be part of a great program and a GREAT team at WSHS! All appropriate paperwork must be turned in! Contact- Coach Clark: octavius_clark@scps.k12.fl.us

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WSHS BOYS/GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMP INFORMATION

Our WSHS Basketball Camp is in full force! Didn't get in for this week? More weeks to come! Check it out. www.winterspringsbasketballcamp.com June 14th-18th, June 21st-25th. \$250 per week! Girls and Boys Ages 6-14.

LOOKING TO COACH?

WSHS is looking for 2 new Head Coaches! Here is an update from Mr. Gomrad, Athletic Director: Our search for new Water Polo Coach and Boys Volleyball Coach has already started, interested candidates contact: scott_gomrad@scps.k12.fl.us

WSHS GIRLS & BOYS VOLLEYBALL CAMP INFORMATION

REGISTER now! Both WSHS Girls and Boys Volleyball camps will be held from July 26-29.

Cost: Half Day - \$180.00 Full Day- \$250.00 Session Times: 9AM-12PM & 9AM-3PM. Ages: 10-18. Register: <https://tinyurl.com/b5jbxvb6>

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT SPIRIT NIGHT

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR BEARS! Athletic Department Spirit Nights at Jeremiahs Ice off Red Bug Road 1000 Willa Springs Dr Winter Springs, FL 32708 First Thursday of each Month – July 1st, August 5th, and September 2nd.

In conclusion, we are looking forward to an amazing school year! We will continue to make safety a priority and will strive to make sure that our students graduate and have the best academic opportunities we can provide! Our BEAR code of Believe, Engage, Achieve and Reflect will continue this year to promote positive behavior and making positive choices!

**Looking forward to a great
2021-22 school year!**

Caring for your child,
Mr. Pete Gaffney
Principal



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1st Quarter: Aug. 10th - Oct. 7th	42 Days	Semester 1	87 Days	8/10-12/21
2nd Quarter: Oct. 11th - Dec. 17th	45 Days			
3rd Quarter: Jan. 5th - March 11th	46 Days	Semester 2	93 Days	1/8-5/25
4th Quarter: March 22nd - May 25th	47 Days			

8/4-8/9	Pre-Planning
8/10	First Day of School
9/6	Labor Day Holiday
10/7	End of 1st Quarter
10/8	Tchr Workday/Student Holiday
10/11	Beginning of 2nd Grading Period
11/22-11-26	Thanksgiving Break
12/17	End of 2nd Quarter
12/20-12/31	Winter Break
1/3	Tchr Workday/Student Holiday
	Early Release Days

1/4	Professional Development Day
1/5	Beginning of 3rd Grading Period
1/17	Martin Luther King Holiday
2/21	Presidents Day Holiday
3/11	End of 3rd Quarter
3/14-3/18	Spring Break
3/21	Tchr Workday/Student Holiday
3/22	Beginning of 4th Grading Period
5/25	End of 4th Quarter/Last Day of School
5/26-5/27	Post-Planning
5/30	Memorial Day Holiday

*Make-up days for inclement weather are listed in the order in which they will be taken: 10/8/2021, 1/3/2022, 1/4/2022, 3/21/2022, & 5/26/2022.

CHORUS UPDATE

We're happy to report that Chorus is looking forward to returning to a full calendar of live performances this year! If you're looking for a fun elective with lots of teamwork and musical challenges, please consider joining Chorus 1 on your schedule for the 2021-22 school year! You might even end up with some free Disney tickets out of it, too! We would love to welcome you into our musical family. There is no audition or previous experience required- just contact Mrs. Ferland for details at Kara_Ferland@scps.k12.fl.us.



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GREETINGS FROM THE WINTER SPRINGS BAND OF GOLD AND COLORGUARD!

We are incredibly proud of our students for their amazing accomplishments and tremendous amount of hard work they put in during an extraordinarily challenging year! We concluded the school year with two amazing concerts, our first ever band family picnic, and our annual icebreaker for new band members!

We are excited to begin the next school year and look forward to performing our marching band show- Beatlemania! I know it will be tons of fun to work on and perform!

If you are interested in joining the Band of Gold or Pure Gold Colorguard, it is not too late! If you are planning to participate for the upcoming school year, please fill out this form: <https://forms.gle/PHkqNjbkU6f29VXu9>

We will be sending information throughout the summer about band camp and other upcoming events. Here are some important events coming up:

Band Camp Registration Night - July 19th at 6:30pm in the WSHS Auditorium

There will be a mandatory meeting for parents and students at 6:30pm in the WSHS Auditorium. After a brief informational meeting, parents and students will complete the registration process for all band and colorguard students. During registration you will be able to complete all forms, meet the band director and band boosters, order band apparel, pay your band assessment fees and sign up for volunteer opportunities. If you have any questions, please email wsbandofgold@gmail.com.

WSHS Band Camp - July 26th-30th from 8am-5pm

All band and colorguard students must attend band camp. During band camp, students review marching fundamentals and begin learning the half time show. Students who miss band camp are not guaranteed a spot in the opening of the show as there may not be a part written for them if they are not at camp. Details will be shared in email updates about what each student needs to bring for band camp. Questions or a request to be added to the Band of Gold email list may be sent to wsbandofgold@gmail.com. See you at band camp!

If you have any questions or concerns for Mr. Ferland, please email me at ferlankz@muscps.us. I hope to meet all of you very soon!

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