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November 27, 2018 Principal's Report

Updates:

Character Card Reward Program: This year, we have continued our Character Card Reward Program at WMS. Each quarter, the students work hard to reach as many of the 8 goals listed on the card as they can. The following goals are listed on the first quarter Character Card: extra-curricular activity, no discipline referrals, positive behavior, volunteer work, perfect attendance, no F's, all A's, and a teacher/student goal. During the first quarter, 86% of our students earned at least four goals listed on the Character Card! They enjoyed an Ice Cream Social as their reward for reaching their goals. We would like to thank Deputy Blank, Deputy Karner, Officer Eisert, our cafeteria staff, and our teaching staff for helping out during our reward party. We look forward to celebrating with our students that earn 5 or more goals on their 2nd quarter Character Cards!

Professional Development: Our Intervention Specialists recently attended a training in which Meaghen Tidwell, from the MRESC, discussed ETR and IEP compliance updates with our staff. Our special education department then met during the November 19 Professional Development day to discuss the new information they gleaned and start to align our building practices to the best practices.

Power of ICU: We are excited to be starting the next part of our program study. Teachers have been using the ICU database, which is a web-based program that allows teachers to create, monitor, and manage missing assignments at any time. Teachers put an assignment that is missing or that needs to be redone on the database. It then automatically sends the parent a text and/or email with the details about the assignment. The database also allows us to track assignments throughout the building. To date, after approximately six weeks of using the list, we have had 844 assignments turned in that would have been below a D+ or missing all together. The impact can be seen in the students' grades during the first weeks. As a building, we gave a total of 4303 grades and 52 were D's or below, including only 13 F's.

Update to WMS Student Handbook: We would like to make an addition to our WMS Student Handbook at this time. We would like to include "electronic cigarettes/vapor pens" with smoking in both the Code of Conduct and Bus Discipline sections of the handbook.

Other INFO:

- Thank you to the WMS staff and students who helped to raise \$1,350 which was donated to the Wapakoneta Police Department for the purchase of a new K-9 when Ricco retires.
- On November 8, 2018, WMS hosted Elec Simon for a motivational assembly. He shared with us an anti-bullying message which focused on showing love and respect.

- On November 12, 2018, WMS held its annual Veterans' Day Assembly. It was amazing, as always. Thank you to substitute teacher Colonel Jeffrey Goodes for being our guest speaker for this event.
- First Lego League is in full swing. The team has ten students and they are currently building the competition structure. Soon, they will begin to program the robots.
- In December, our ELA teachers will begin working with Kasey Dunlap, who is a consultant that has also worked with the WHS ELA department this year.
- Thank you to WMS Nurse Laura Boysel, LPN, for making arrangements for our students to be seen by the St. Rita's dental van. It is a wonderful program that is at no cost to the students. Below is the data on the students served:
 - 41 students had exams
 - 37 students had sealants
 - 156 sealants were placed
 - 40 students had cleaning/fluoride

Upcoming Events:

December 3, 2018 - 5th Grade Field Trip to Library - Otto, Selover, Stephens from 8-11 AM
 December 3 - 5, 2018 - 6th Grade Candy Cane Sales
 December 4, 2018 - MMGW Teacher and Student Interviews - Schedules to come
 December 4, 2018 - MAP and CAP Window Opens
 December 5, 2018 - MMGW Reconnect
 December 5, 2018 - 5th Grade Field Trip to Library - Mullen, Newman, Sarasin, from 8-11 AM
 December 6, 2018 - MMGW Site Review
 December 7, 2018 - 5th Grade Field Trip to Library - Kohler, Sawmiller, Rostorfer, from 8-11 AM
 December 10, 2018 - Choir Concert at WHS PAC, 6:30-7:30 PM
 December 11, 2018 - MMGW Site Review Snow Date
 December 11, 2018 - Mary Poppins, Jr., Auditions, 3-5:30 PM
 December 14, 2018 - 7th Grade Choir to Wapakoneta Manor
 December 17, 2018 - 5th, 6th, & 7th ALICE Training (5th - Period 1, 6th - Period 2, 7th - Period 3)
 December 17, 2018 - 5th, 6th, & 7th Band Concert at WHS PAC, 6:30 PM
 December 17, 2018 - Writing with Kasey Dunlap
 December 18, 2018 - BOE meeting at BOE Office, 5:00 PM
 December 20, 2018 - PTO Fall Fundraiser Reward Party at Astro Lanes, 8:10-10:45 AM
 December 20, 2018 - MAP and CAP Window Ends
 December 21, 2018 - Spelling Bee in WMS auditorium, 9:30 AM
 December 21, 2018 - Group Photos in gym, 1-3 PM
 December 24, 2018 to January 4, 2019 - Break
 (Reminder: WOE day is January 4, 2019. Teachers will need 6 hours of PD for that day.)
 January 10, 2019 - Optimist Tubing Trip
 January 14, 2019 - BLT
 January 16, 2019 - DLT at Harvest Baptist, 7:50 - 10:50 AM
 January 21, 2019 - MLK Day, No School
 January 22, 2019 - BOE meeting
 January 28, 2019 - BLT
 January 29, 2019 - Committee Meeting Day
 January 30, 2019 - Special Education Meeting, 3:15 - 4:15 PM
 February 4 - 8, 2019 - The Rock & Mineral Guys with 6th Grade
 February 6, 2019 - MMGW Regional Workshop
 February 11, 2019 - BLT
 February 15, 2019 - PD Day
 February 17, 2019 - 7th Grade Field Trip to Victoria Theater
 February 25, 2019 - BLT

