

November 2016

Westlane Middle School PTO

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REMINDER: Students Have First At Home Learning Day in November

Parents – Be sure to take a look at the calendar for November. There is an EARLY RELEASE DAY on **Thursday, November 3rd** which means students will be dismissed at 3:15 p.m. Also, on **Tuesday, November 8th**, Washington Twp. Schools will observe the first AT HOME LEARNING DAY. Students will NOT attend school, but choices for written or online home learning will be sent home with each student. This change was adopted in order to more effectively contribute to Election Day, as many of our buildings are used as voting precincts, and allows our teachers more professional development time.

Pancakes with Parents

We are excited to host our first ***Pancakes with Parents*** at Westlane Middle School on **Friday, November 4th**. Come join us to hear what is going on at Westlane and to ask questions and share ideas with us. Our Department Chairs will be joining us as well. Please RSVP at <http://www.westlanepto.com>. We look forward to meeting and talking with you on the 4th!

-Mr. Pitcock, Ms. McWaters and Mr. Bishop



****Upcoming Events****

November 3

Early Release for Students@ 3:15 p.m.

November 4

*Pancakes with Parents
8:00 – 9:00 a.m.*

November 8

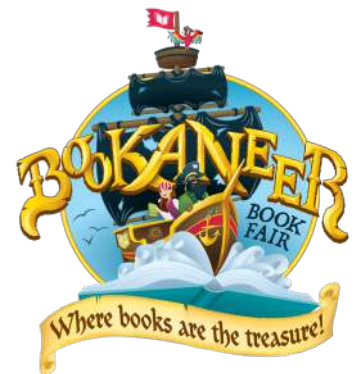
*At Home Learning Day
NO SCHOOL.*

November 7 - 11

All for Books Coin Drive

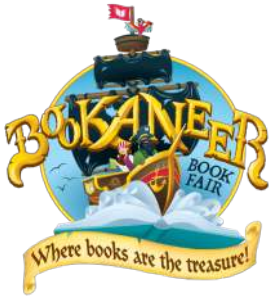
November 14 - 18

Scholastic Book Fair



December 9

*Winter Dance
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.*



Volunteers Needed for Bookaneer Book Fair

Prepare to get “hooked” on reading during the ***Bookaneer Book Fair:***

Where books are the treasure November 14-18th. Students will have the opportunity to shop during their language and reading classes throughout the week. The book fair, located in the Westlane Forum will also be open on

Tuesday evening, November 15th before and after the music recital. If interested in volunteering please visit www.westlanepto.com to sign up or contact **Lynn Presley –**
ehpkids@sbcglobal.net.

Westlane Winter Dance – Friday, December 9th

Students - get ready to show off your dance moves at the **Westlane Winter Dance** on *Friday, December 9th* from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. More details to follow but **we will be in need of parent volunteers.** Please email **Nicole Garmon** at ngarmon@rjet.com if you are able to volunteer.



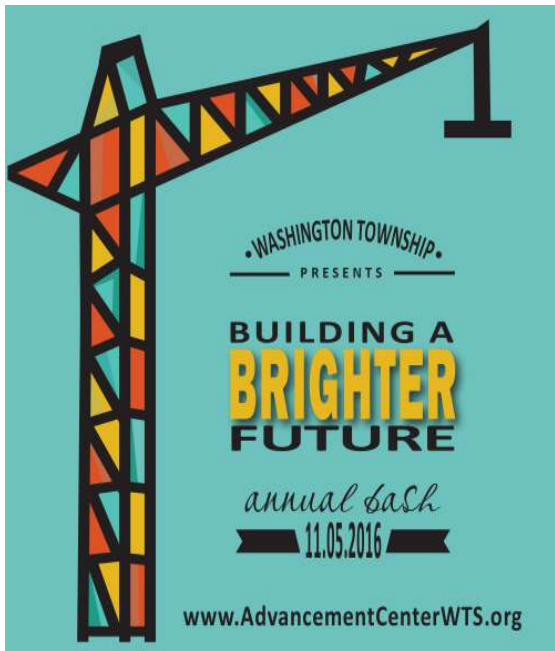
November Media Center Volunteers Needed

Thank you to those who could spend some time in the Media Center in October - your effort is a great help to Ms. Gartner and Ms. Baksa!

Please take a look at the calendar for open days to sign-up. For those new to the media center, hours are flexible and any time you can volunteer to shelve items, search for missing books and help with varying projects is so appreciated!! Please contact Rebecca Arora (rarora75@gmail.com) with questions. Thank you!

Check out your child’s latest homework assignments at:

www.westlanehomework.com



Fall Bash

There is only one way you can party with hundreds of your closest friends and benefit Washington Township all at the same time.

The Annual BASH has become the ultimate Washington Township fundraiser, bringing in over \$100,000 in 2015, and the sky is the limit in 2016. Make sure you join teachers, parents, administrators and friends of this district as we celebrate the legacy of giving, the students we impact and build an even brighter future for the best school district in Indiana. The 2016 BASH will be Saturday, November 5th from 7-11pm at The Crane Bay Event Center. Event

tickets are \$85 per person or \$70 for faculty/staff. Your ticket includes: GREAT FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT, SILENT AUCTION

CASH BAR AND SURPRISES! www.AdvancementCenterWTS.org

MASTER FACILITY PLANNING

Please take a minute to read the attached Fall 2016 Outreach Presentation, as well as, the school facility tours (“map poster”) to learn more about the conditions of our facilities. You may also visit these links to learn more-

- Master Facility Planning <http://www.msdt.k12.in.us/2016/01/master-facility-planning/>
- Referenda <http://www.msdt.k12.in.us/referenda/>



NORTH CENTRAL OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016

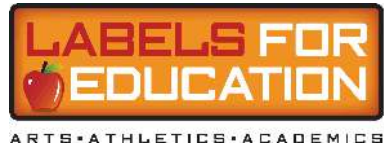
2:00-5:00 P.M.

**PLEASE ENTER THROUGH DOOR 1 (MAIN ENTRANCE), DOOR 4
(NORTHEAST CORNER) OR DOOR 31 (NORTHWEST CORNER)**

Please pre-register at [2016 NCHS Open House Pre-Registration](#). By registering in advance, you'll be able to use the express line to sign in once you arrive. Questions? Call Mrs. Groote at 259-5355 ext. 45341. If you're unable to attend, please call Mrs. Linda Swift at 259-5301 to schedule a "Friday Tour." For students who do not reside in Washington Township but wish to find out more about North Central High School, contact Dr. Jon Milleman at 845-9400. We look forward to welcoming you to the NCHS Open House on November 6!



Boxtops for Education and Campbell's Labels for Education



Parents: You may not have realized, but Westlane Middle School participates in both Boxtops for Education and Campbell's Labels for Education programs. The money earned from these submissions is used by Mrs. Gartner in the Media Center to purchase items used by all of our children: paperback books, video camera batteries and cords, art supplies for group projects, and much more!

Boxtops are worth 10 cents each and add up to hundreds of dollars each year. Boxtops may be mailed in twice a year with our next submission due in February, so the time to collect them in is NOW. Just look for the BOX TOPS LOGO on hundreds of products in almost every aisle in the store. They are on food items as well as Ziploc bags, Kleenex tissues, or Hefty bags.

Labels For Education - For Campbell's Soup and Pepperidge Farm products, simply clip the UPC's carefully so that they include the words Labels for Education.

Please gather up all of your boxtops and labels and send them in with your student, or drop them by when you're coming to school. There is a collection box at the front reception desk after you come through the front doors.