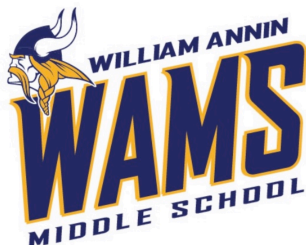


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Viking Voice Express

The monthly update of what has happened and upcoming events at William Annin Middle School.

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Month 1, September 10, 2021

Welcome back, Vikings!

We hope you enjoy the new format of our newsletter, the Viking Voice Express. This year, in an effort to help keep your inboxes clear, the newsletter will be distributed electronically every month. Please check out our website at www.wamspto.com for the most up to date information. We look forward to working with you this year!

Announcements



2021 - 2022 PTO Board

President ----- Suchitha Shakthimani

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VP of Fundraising ----- Sowmya Modugula

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Secretary ----- Open

8th Grade Activity Representative and PAC representatives

Larena Lettow and OPEN

7th Grade Activity Representative and PAC representatives

Yani Hanafi and Angela Dutton

6th Grade Activity Representative and PAC representatives

Annmarie Rudis and Wanning Wu

WAMSAO Representative

Danielle Kahm

WAMS PEC Representative

If you would like to be considered for the open positions, please contact us at wamspto.nj@gmail.com. All are welcome! No experience required!

Jazz Band & Wind Ensemble Auditions

The WAMS jazz band is an after school ensemble that performs swing, funk, Latin, and blues music. The ensemble consists of a brass section (trumpets and trombones), saxophone section (alto, tenor, and baritone saxophones), and rhythm section (drum set, bass, piano, and guitar). The jazz band rehearses every Monday after school from 2:25 to 3:25. First Rehearsal - Monday, October 4th

The WAMS wind ensemble is an after school band that performs challenging band literature. The ensemble consists of the same instrumentation as the grade level bands. The wind ensemble rehearses every Tuesday after school from 2:25 to 3:25. First Rehearsal - Tuesday, October 5th

Audition Guidelines:

- Audition music will be available in the band room from Monday, September 13th through Friday, September 24th.
- Students will have one week to prepare the music for their audition.
- I will schedule a time for the audition when the music is picked up.
- If a student is auditioning for both groups, it is advisable to get the music for one ensemble early in the audition process and the other later in order to properly practice the music.
- Students will need to practice the entire song and will only perform a segment of the music that is chosen by the teacher.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Mr. Wong
wwong@bernardsboe.com

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) meets monthly with administration to bring forth issues that have been identified by parents and guardians over the prior month. Monthly reminders will be sent out so that you can email your grade level representatives with your concerns.

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7th grade

Yani Hanafi

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8th grade

Larena Lettow

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OPEN position

WAMSAO

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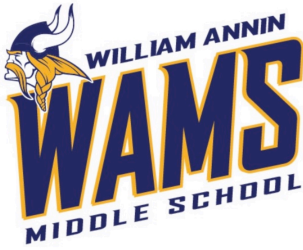
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Events & Programs

New Spirit Shop now open!

Please check out our new spirit shop. All sizes available and orders ship directly to you.

[WAMS ONLINE SPIRIT SHOP](#)



Sponsorship Opportunities

Have a business you would like to promote to over 1000 local families? Please contact us at wamspto.nj@gmail.com!

Volunteer Opportunities

We love our volunteers and appreciate any amount of time you are able to give.

The Media Center is seeking volunteers. Please go to this form to share your contact information with them.

[Media Center Volunteer Interest Form](#)

Fundraising Reminders

Donations are always accepted! All donations go directly to support the programs and events our organization offers. No amount is too small - please consider making a donation today!



You shop. Amazon gives.

When you shop at <http://smile.amazon.com>, Amazon will



donate to your favorite charitable organization. Please search for William Annin Middle School PTO.

Use the new Box Tops App to scan your receipt. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your organization's earnings online.

This Month in Photos



VA Hospital Donation

When the remnants of Hurricane Ida shut down the school on Thursday, September 2nd, the PTO took the fresh bagels, cream cheese and butter that was meant for staff, and donated them to the VA hospital. The PTO will offer teachers and staff hot coffee and treats for an upcoming in-service day to make up for this day.

Your PTO donations at work!

Calendar

Monday, 9/13

BOE Meeting 7-9pm

Monday, 9/13 - Friday, 9/24

Audition music available in band room

Thursday, 9/16

School CLOSED/ Yom Kippur

Thursday, 9/23

Virtual Back to School Night, all grades 6-9pm

Monday, 9/27

BOE Meeting 7-9pm

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Community in Crisis

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<https://communityincrisis.org>

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