

October 28, 2016

Dear Wood Memorial High School and Wood Memorial Junior High School parents, guardians, and community:

Greetings from the home of the Trojans!

I am pleased to announce that Mr. Christopher Meyer has agreed to join the Trojan Family, filling the open Band/Music Director position. Mr. Meyer comes to Wood Memorial and East Gibson with 10 years of experience as a Band Director, previously serving in this capacity for South Central Junior/Senior High School, in Elizabeth, Indiana.

Prior to beginning his career in education Mr. Meyer earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Indiana State University, located in Terre Haute, Indiana. He added to this by completing the program for Master of Secondary Education in 2009, at Indiana University Southeast, in New Albany, Indiana.

During his tenure at South Central Mr. Meyer was responsible for band, which was comprised of grade 6 – 12 students. With this, he has gained experience in growing interest in the music department, while building musical performances with pep band, marching band, concert band, and competitive percussion ensemble. Mr. Meyer also launched a booster program for the South Central band.

Mr. Meyer and his wife, Lindsey, currently reside in Newburgh, Indiana. They have a daughter, Julia, age 6, and a son, Eli, 17 months.

Please join me in welcoming Mr. Christopher Meyer to the Trojan Family.

In order to ensure our students have the opportunity to receive certified instruction in the areas of Physics, Algebra, and Geometry, we have taken the opportunity to align instructor course schedules to provide this instructional opportunity. Anytime a step, such as this, is taken our goal is to ensure that each student impacted have the opportunity to successfully earn course credits, as outlined by their semester schedule. I have met with the impacted students, explaining to them any changes which may have been necessary in their daily schedule. Additional information will be provided to parents and students as we progress through the remaining portion of the first semester.

Congratulations to our student-athletes recognized for all – conference during their respective fall season. Wood Memorial was represented by seniors Katie Thacker and Carsen Robinson on the Blue Chip Conference volleyball team. Senior Chloe Bartley and Kenzie Tooley earned Honorable Mention. In girls soccer, Cassidy Saulmon, Brenna Maikranz, and Sydney Day were named to the Blue Chip Conference All – Conference team, with Honorable Mention honors going to Morgan Loveless and Makayla Stocker. WMHS had the following representatives from

boys soccer: Tristan Vickers, Spencer Vickers, and Jake Price as All-Conference, with Eli Schenks voted Honorable Mention.

In an effort to enhance school – community collaboration and communication we are currently in the process of establishing “Trojan TV”. The project, once in place, will allow for video communication to occur within and outside Wood Memorial High School and Junior High School.

Any student interested in being a part of the Trojan TV Broadcasting Club should see me at the high school office. There will be a number of opportunities for students to gain experience in the area of broadcasting.

Indiana state law provides that each student in grades 6 – 12 experience a lesson over the election process. The lesson must be administered within two weeks of the 2016 general election on Tuesday, November 8. With this, Mr. Bartley has worked with Ms. Elizabeth Hill to create a lesson for our junior high and high school students. The lesson will be administered during our Trojan Pride period, following the upcoming Fall Break.

Please be sure to check out the accompanying calendar-of-events for the upcoming week. Ms. McClelland and the drama club will be performing their fall production during the week ahead. The cast and crew have put forth a great deal of effort in preparing for their performance of “The Boy Who Cried Werewolf”. I am excited to see the play.

A reminder to students and parents regarding a review of the 2016 – 2017 Student Handbook. We encourage everyone to review the handbook, then request the acknowledgement page, of receipt/review, found in the back of the handbook be signed and returned to the high school and /or junior high school office. A copy of the handbook was distributed to high school students during the first day of school; and junior high school students should have access to the document on their iPad desktop. The handbook may also be found at wmhs.egsc.k12.in.us.com.

Information of interest:

- The WMHS Halloween Fest will be held on Friday, October 28, in the High School gymnasium. The event, sponsored by the WMHS Champions Together Student Leadership Team, is open to students and children of the East Gibson School Corporation. It starts at 6pm and will run until 8pm.
- The state of Indiana has once again delayed the release of the Grade 10 ISTEP results from last school year. The new targets are later this month (October).
- The state of Indiana has announced that the ISTEP+ Spring 2016 Spring Portal will remain accessible for parent use and reference until March 31, 2017.

Information on the events at Wood Memorial High School may also be found at wmhs.egsc.k12.in.us; for the junior high school at wmjhs.egsc.k12.in.us. For real-time information follow us on Twitter at @WMTrojans1.

Thank you for all you do to support our students and the school – community.

Most Sincerely,

Kevin Smith

“The greatest achievement of the human spirit is to live up to one’s opportunities and make the most of one’s resources.”

- Luc de Clapiers

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 29, 2016

Monday, October 31, 2016

Senior Class Graduation Meeting – Jostens	2:48pm
Girls BB Scrimmage vs Heritage Hills	5:30pm

Tuesday, November 1, 2016

Acuity Predictive A - Math	
HS Student Council Meeting	2:48pm
JHS Area Spell Bowl Competition Jasper Middle School	

Wednesday, November 2, 2016

Acuity Predictive A - Math	
FCA Meeting	2:48pm
HS Area Spell Bowl Competition Mount Vernon High School	
CPR Training Library	3:15pm

Thursday, November 3, 2016

JHS ISTEP ELA Meeting	7:30am
Acuity Predictive A - Math	
Performance of Fall Play “The Boy Who Cried Werewolf”	7:00pm

Friday, November 4, 2016

Girls BB vs Perry Central	5:30pm
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Saturday, November 5, 2016

Performance of Fall Play “The Boy Who Cried Werewolf”	7:00pm
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Sunday, November 6, 2016

Performance of Fall Play	2:00pm
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“The Boy Who Cried Werewolf”

Additional Dates of Note

Indiana ISTAR Part 1	October 3 – November 4, 2016
Accuplacer Assessment – Part 1	October 3 – November 23, 2016
Post Prom Committee Fund Raiser	October 17 – 28, 2016
Wind & Willow Dip Mix Sales	
October 25, 2016-2:48pm	
Acuity Assessments	October 31, 2016 – November 18, 2016
Predictive A	
Math	November 1 - 3, 2016
English	November 7 - 9, 2016
Make Up Dates	November 3 & 10, 2016
Post Prom Committee Fund Raiser	November 4, 2016 – February 18, 2017
Chicken & Dumpling Sales – BB Games	
First Official IHSAA Boys Basketball Practice	November 7, 2016
WMHS Athletic Department Lip Sync Contest	November 7, 2016
High School Student Council Meeting	November 8, 2016-2:48pm
Senior Class Graduation Order	November 8, 2016 (8:00am)
Freshman Class Ring Order	November 8, 2016 (8:00am)
Field Trip to Patoka National Wildlife Refuge	November 9, 2016
Ms. Norvell’s Period 1 and 5 Classes	
IDOE Initial Audit - WMJHS	November 9, 2016
A Function of the Focus Process	
8:30am	
JHS ISTEP MATH Team Meeting	November 10, 2016 – 7:30am
Veterans Day Program	November 11, 2016 (9:00am)
High School Gymnasium	
Patoka Valley Refuge Meeting	November 14, 2016 (5:30pm – 7:30pm)
Library	
High School Student Council Meeting	November 15, 2016-2:48pm
FCA Meeting During Trojan Pride	November 16, 2016
7 th Grade High Ability Testing	November 16 – 18, 2016
JHS ISTEP ELA Team Meeting	November 17, 2016 – 7:30am
Ivy Tech Advanced Automation and Robotics Program review	November 18, 2016 – 9:07am
PLTW Students	
Mid-Term for Quarter 2	November 18, 2016
Physical Education Fund Raiser	November 18, 2016 – December 7, 2016
Cheesy Cheeseballs	
WM Wrestling Invitational	November 19, 2016
Weigh In – 8:00am	

Wrestling – 9:00am WM vs Evansville Bosse WM vs North Knox WM vs. Indianapolis Washington	November 21, 2016 – December 9, 2016
Acuity	
Predictive B (ELA/Math) Grades 3 - 8	
WM JHS Spelling Bee Cafeteria	November 22, 2016 (1:15pm)
High School Student Council Meeting	November 22, 2016-2:48pm
Thanksgiving Break	November 23 – 25, 2016
High School Student Council Meeting	November 29, 2016-2:48pm
IDOE Classroom Audits of WMJHS A Function of the Focus School Process (SAP) 8:30am	November 29, 2016
FCA Meeting During Trojan Pride	November 30, 2016
Post Prom Committee Meeting	November 30, 2016
JHS ISTEP ELA Team Meeting	December 1, 2016 – 7:30am
Student Achievement Plan Due	December 1, 2016
WM JHS Geography Bee Cafeteria	December 2, 2016 (1:15pm)
Reindeer Run/Walk Sponsored by Gibson General Health Foundation and Deaconess Register online at www.gibsongeneral.com/pages/reindeerrun Event Schedule: 7:30am Sign Up 8:45am Kids Elf Run 9:00am – 5K/1 mile Run/Walk	December 3, 2016
Indiana Winter ECA Window	December 5 – 16, 2016
High School Student Council Meeting	December 6, 2016-2:48pm
JHS ISTEP MATH Team Meeting	December 8, 2016 – 7:30am
HS/JHS Choir Christmas Concert 2:00pm Cafeteria	December 10, 2016
Patoka Valley Refuge Meeting Library	December 12, 2016 (5:30pm – 7:30pm)
FCA Meeting During Trojan Pride	December 14, 2016
Senior Graduation Products	December 14, 2016 (7:30am)
Freshman Class Ring Delivery	December 14, 2016 (7:30am)
WM HS/JHS Christmas Dance	December 17, 2016
Toyota Classic WM High School	December 19, 20, 22 (5:30pm)
Quarter 2/Semester 1 Ends	December 21, 2016

HS/JHS Band Christmas Concern 5:00pm Cafeteria	December 21, 2016
Christmas Break	December 22, 2016 – January 3, 2017
Toyota Classic Gibson Southern HS	December 23, 2016
Semester 2 Begins	January 4, 2017
WIDA Access Annual Assessment	January 9 – February 24, 2017
English Language Learners	
Indiana ISTAR – Part 2	January 9 – February 3, 2017
Jostens Graduation Commitment 2:30pm	January 12, 2016
Acuity	January 23, 2017 – February 10, 2017
Predictive B (Eng – 10/Algebra I)	
Acuity	January 30, 2017 – February 17, 2017
Predictive C (ELA/Math) Grades 3 - 8	
Accuplacer – Part 2	February 13 – March 31, 2017
Student Council Blood Drive	February 24, 2016
Indiana ISTEP – Part 1	February 27 – March 10, 2017
Paper and Pencil and Online Applied Skills	
Spring Drama/Play High School Junior High School 7:00pm	March 17, 2017
Spring Drama/Play High School Junior High School 7:00pm	March 18, 2017
Spring Drama/Play High School Junior High School 2:00pm	March 19, 2017
Acuity	March 20, 2017 – April 7, 2017
Predictive C (Eng – 10/Algebra I)	
WM Archery Tournament HS Gymnasium – 7am – 9pm	April 1, 2016

Indiana ISTAR – Part 3	April 10 – May 19, 2017
Indiana ISTEP – Part 2	April 17 – May 5, 2017
Online	
Multiple Choice	
Technology Enhanced Items	
Indiana ECA – Spring	April 24 – May 26, 2017
Indiana ECA – Summer	August 21 – September 1, 2017

NOTES from STAFF and/or THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

From Ms. Elizabeth Hill, Curriculum Director/Yearbook Sponsor/Art Instructor

2016 – 17 Back To School High School Yearbook Deal:

Purchase a yearbook and personalization, get 4 icons for free! You must purchase personalization to receive the icons. The offer expires on October 28. Order forms are available in the high school office, or from Mrs. E. Hill. Purchases can also be made online at jostensyearbooks.com.

Signature Package - \$57.00
(Includes: Yearbook, Personalization, 8 Multicolored Signing Markers, Autograph Section)

Yearbook - \$40.00
Personalization - \$6.00
Icons – 4 Free
Autograph Section - \$3.00
Photo Pockets - \$3.00
Clear Protective Cover - \$3.00

*Make Checks Payable to Wood Memorial High School

The junior class will be running the concession stand at all girls and boys basketball games this winter. Every junior must work two basketball games in the concession stand, or pay \$10.00 fore each game not worked, in order to go to Prom. Sign-ups for concession workers are in the high school office.

Prom Committee meetings will be conducted during Trojan Pride, weekly, on Monday.

From Ms. Kelly Hill, Student Services/Guidance Director

From Ms. Jill Bottoms, Student Council Sponsor

Thank you to everyone who took part in our annual blood drive. The next drive will take place on February 24, 2017.

From Ms. Elizabeth McClelland, Drama Sponsor

The dates for our Fall and Spring plays have been set as follows:

Fall Drama and Play dates will be on November 3, 5, and 6.

Spring Drama and Play performances are scheduled for March 17, 18, and 19, 2017.

With the above, the Fall Play will be “The Boy Who Cried Werewolf”.

From Ms. Janet Gentry, Chemistry Instructor

The Chemistry 2 class attended “Mole Day” at the University of Southern Indiana, on Tuesday, October 25, 2016. Student from other area high schools were also in attendance.

Three-member teams from each school competed in a “Chemistry Bowl” with WMHS finishing 5th. Each student in attendance was able to compete using electronic clickers. Class awards were given based on the average score of each class, as a whole, and alternate team member scores. WMHS finished 4th in this area.

Students were able to tour the USI science labs and were treated to several chemical demonstrations presented by Dr. Jeff Seyler, Chemistry Department Chair.

WMHS students participating were: Chloe Bartley, Kylie Head, Spencer Vickers; and alternate team members were: Carsen Robinson and Katie Thacker. Other students in attendance were: Veronica Bittner, Sydney Day, Cameron Houchins, Kalyn Ingle, Brenna Maikranz, Cassidy McIntosh, Ethan Phillips, Emily Rudolph, and Makayla Stocker.

From Ms. Rachel Heck, Coordinator Deaconess/EVSC Health Science Institute

The Deaconess Health Science Institute is a rigorous, two-week summer program for high-achieving high school students in Southwestern Indiana who are interested in exploring healthcare careers. Deaconess Hospital in Evansville sponsors HIS in partnership with Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation.

HIS is a valuable opportunity for students to experience a wide variety of health careers first-hand. Students live on the campus of Deaconess Hospital for two weeks as they hear from 100+ health professionals, participate in 12 different clinical rotations (including witnessing surgery and hopefully a birth), and explore Deaconess facilities and local universities.

To be eligible to participate in the program students must be a current sophomore or junior in a Southwestern Indiana High School School or home school in Gibson, Posey, Vanderburgh, or Warrick counties.

If interested you may find the HSI brochure at <http://www.deaconess.com/hsi> or at <https://goo.gl/forms/wth4pH92O4QAKIC3>.

We have also created a short video for view at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pbs2Z2irr5g>.

You may also contact the Wood Memorial High School guidance office for more details.

From Ms. Cassie Scaper, College Connection Coach, Ivy Tech University

For the convenience of students and parents I am providing the following information on applying to be considered for a scholarship:

College/University	Scholarship Deadline	More Information
Anderson University	Varies for Departmental	http://www.anderson.edu/students/fin-aid/scholarships
Ball State	Varies for Departmental	http://cms.bsu.edu/admissions/scholarshipsandfinancialaid/howtoapply/datesanddeadlines
Bellarmino University	Varies for Departmental	http://www.bellarmino.edu/financialaid/institutional/
Brescia University	February 15	https://www.brescia.edu/brescia-university-scholarships
Butler University	November 1	https://www.butler.edu/prospective-first-years-financial-aid/first-year-butler-gift-programs
Hanover College	March 1	https://www.hanover.edu/admission/financialaid/scholarship#grants
Indiana State University	December 1	http://www.indstate.edu/scholarships#qt-scholarships_tabset-ui-tabs2
Indiana University	November 1	https://scholarships.indiana.edu/index.html
Indiana Wesleyan	Varies for Departmental	https://www.indwes.edu/financial-aid/undergraduate/scholarships
IUPUI	Varies for Departmental	http://scholarships.iupui.edu/freshman/inres.html
Ivy Tech Community College	March 15	https://www.ivytech.edu/financial-aid/scholarships.html
Marian University	October 15	http://www.marian.edu/admissions/financial-aid
Murray State University	January 15	http://www.murraystate.edu/admissions/scholarships/index.asp
Oakland City University	October 1 (tentative)	http://www.oak.edu/financial-aid/scholarships.php
Olivet Nazarene	None	http://www.olivet.edu/admissions/tuition-and-financial-aid/scholarships/
Purdue University	November 1	https://www.purdue.edu/dfa/types-of-aid/free-money/scholarships.html
Southern Illinois University--Carbondale	November 1	http://scholarships.siu.edu/types/freshmen/index.php
University of Evansville	December 1	https://www.evansville.edu/tuitionandaid/scholarships.cfm
University of Indianapolis	Varies for Departmental	http://www.uindy.edu/financial-aid-for-new-students/grants-and-scholarships
University of Louisville	December 15	http://louisville.edu/admissions/aid/scholarships
University of Southern Indiana	December 2 *See website for departmental scholarship deadlines	http://www.usi.edu/admissions/scholarships/freshman-scholarships
Vincennes University	January 15	http://www.vinu.edu/web/financial-services/financial-aid
Wabash Valley	Varies for Departmental	http://www.iecc.edu/page.php?page=WVCH&nest=WSCH_HOME

Western Kentucky University

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<https://www.wku.edu/scholarship/>