

September 30, 2016

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

Greetings from the home of the Trojans!

Congratulations to our 2016 Fall Homecoming Queen Katie Miley and the Maid Of Honor, Lexus Ellerbrook.

The remaining members of the homecoming court were:

Juniors

Roxane Cauwet

Alexis Lashbrook

Cori Pflug

Makenzie Tooley

Seniors

Kylie Head

Katelynn Thacker

Thank you to the Trojan School – Community for supporting our 2016 Fall Homecoming event on Friday evening. The crowd was tremendous and the support shown for our students outstanding.

I am excited for our students to have the opportunity to be introduced to the Champions Together initiative on Friday, October 7, 2016. Through a grant provided by Indiana Special Olympics Wood Memorial is able to host a school assembly, with representatives from the IHSAA Champions Together Program and Indiana Special Olympics on hand.

Champions Together was established in 2012 and as mentioned above, serves as a partnership between the Indiana High School Athletic Association and Indiana Special Olympics. The initiative grew from a challenge IHSAA Commissioner Bobby Cox gave to the associations Student Advisory Committee to engage in “servant leadership” and discover ways to give back to their schools and communities.

Schools throughout the state of Indiana have an opportunity to join in the Champions Together mission and become a “Unified Champion School”. There are four (4) Project Unify goals a school must meet in order to attain this status:

1. All school sponsored activities must be planned, organized and administered by an Inclusive Student Leadership team that strives to do things WITH students with intellectual disabilities NOT FOR them.
2. The school must participate in at least one activity designed around Whole School Engagement that promotes and encourages awareness, respect and inclusion of persons with intellectual disabilities.
3. The school must organize and participate in at least one Unified Sports activity such as IHSAA Unified Track & Field, a Unified practice or clinic, or a Unified competition with students with intellectual disabilities OR local Special Olympics athletes.
4. Fundraising – the school must raise a minimum of \$1500 for the Champions Together project.

The Trojan student leadership team has launched a plan aimed at becoming a Unified Champion School for 2016 – 2017. The assembly on October 7 will meet the requirements of number two above.

I am proud of our students for their commitment to create a culture focused on servant leadership.

With the fall athletic seasons rapidly coming to an end I would like to wish all of our student-athletes, as well as coaches, the best of luck during post season tournament play.

The end of our first grading period stands two weeks out, on October 14. Students are encouraged to work with their instructors to ensure assignments are completed in a timely manner.

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 deadline for purchasing iPad insurance is September 30, 2016.
- The Wood Memorial Junior High Cheerleaders will be conducting a fundraiser – shirt sales – during the period of September 6 – 30, 2016.
- Student drivers are reminded they may utilize the east parking lot when driving a vehicle to school. Please note that all drivers must adhere to guidelines for the safe operation of their vehicle while on, or near our campuses. These guidelines may be found in the 2016 – 2017 Student Handbook.

- Junior High Students have launched a new Extra – Curricular Club, titled “A.B.C.” (Anti-Bullying Club). An organizational meeting was held on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 and will take place during the Trojan Pride period of time. Ms. Jordan has agreed to serve as the club sponsor.

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

Most Sincerely,

Kevin Smith

“To have that sense of one’s intrinsic worth which constitutes self-respect is potentially to have everything.”

- *Joan Didion*

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 1, 2016

VB at North Daviess Invitational 8:00am

WM JH VB Tournament 9:00am

8th Grade (HS Gym)

WM vs Pike Central – 9am

Washington vs Princeton – 10am

Consolation Game – 11am

Championship Game – Noon

7th Grade (Elem Gym)

Washington vs Princeton- 9am

WM vs Pike Central – 10am

Consolation Game – 11am

Championship Game - Noon

Tennis Sectional at Vincennes Lincoln TBD

Monday, October 3, 2016

VB vs Loogootee 5:30pm

JH VB at Haubstadt 5:30pm

Tuesday, October 4, 2016

Student Leadership Summit

Congressman Larry Buschon

Vincennes University

Blue Chip Spell Bowl

At Northeast Dubois

Depart 2:15pm

High School Student Council Meeting 2:48pm

VB at Washington 5:30pm

Acuity Part A Make Up Testing

Girls Soccer vs Gibson Southern 7:00pm

Sectional at Gibson Southern

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

Walk To School Day

Acuity Part A Make Up Testing

21st Century Scholars Workshop 8:00am – 3:00pm

FCA Meeting 2:48pm

JH FB vs Tecumseh 5:30pm

Boys Soccer vs Washington/Washington Catholic 5:45pm

Sectional at Washington

Thursday, October 6, 2016

21 st Century Scholars Workshop WMHS Computer Lab	3:00pm – 7:00pm
JHS Bullying Prevention	8:00am – 9:00am
Bullying Prevention Make Up Session	8:00am – 9:00am
JH VB vs Pike Central	5:30pm
Acuity Part A Make Up Testing	
Friday, October 7, 2016	
Gold Schedule Today	
Champions Together Assembly	10:00am
<u>Additional Dates of Note</u>	
Acuity Assessments	September 19 – October 7, 2016
Wood Memorial JHS Dates –	
English 8	September 27, 2016
English 7	September 28, 2016
Math 8	September 30, 2016
Math 7	September 29, 2016
Make Up Dates	October 5, 6, 2016
Wood Works (School Newspaper) Fund Raiser	October 3 – October 20, 2016
Sales of Specialty Coffee, Gourmet Cocoa's, Cookie Mixes, Gourmet Snacks, and Gourmet Mixes	
Indiana ISTAR Part 1	October 3 – November 4, 2016
Accuplacer Assessment – Part 1	October 3 – November 23, 2016
IHSAA VB Tournament Draw	October 10, 2016
Letter Jacket Ordering	October 10, 2016
HS Gymnasium Hallway	
5:00 – 7:00pm	
Patoka Valley Refuge Meeting	October 10, 2016 (5:30pm – 7:30pm)
Library	
High School Student Council Meeting	October 11, 2016-2:48pm
Student Council Sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive	October 11, 2016
8:00am – 1:00pm	
WM FB vs Crawford County	October 14, 2016-6:30pm
Varsity	
Quarter 1 Ends	October 14, 2016
IDOE Classroom Audits of WMJHS	October 14, 2016
A Function of the Focus School Process (SAP)	
8:30am	
Post Prom Committee Fund Raiser	October 17 – 28, 2016
Wind & Willow Dip Mix Sales	
High School Student Council Meeting	October 18, 2016-2:48pm

Volleyball Sectionals	October 18, 20, 22, 2016
FCA Meeting During Trojan Pride	October 19, 2016
Fall Break	October 21 and 24, 2016
USI Mole Day Activities	October 25, 2016
8am – 2pm	
High School Student Council Meeting	October 25, 2016-2:48pm
Senior Class Graduation Meeting	October 31, 2016 (1:00pm)
Acuity Assessments	October 31, 2016 – November 18, 2016
Predictive A	
Math	November 2 – 4, 2016
English	November 9 – 11, 2016
Math (10 th Grade)	November 14, 2016
Make Up Dates	November 15, 16, 2016
High School Student Council Meeting	November 1, 2016-2:48pm
JH Area Spell Bowl Competition	November 1, 2016
Jasper Middle School	
FCA Meeting During Trojan Pride	November 2, 2016
HS Area Spell Bowl Competition	November 2, 2016
Mount Vernon High School	
Fall Drama/Play	November 3, 2016
High School	
Junior High School	
7:00pm	
Fall Drama/Play	November 5, 2016
High School	
Junior High School	
7:00pm	
Fall Drama/Play	November 6, 2016
High School	
Junior High School	
2:00pm	
Post Prom Committee Fund Raiser	November 4, 2016 – February 18, 2017
Chicken & Dumpling Sales – BB Games	
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	
Veterans Day Program	November 11, 2016 (9:00am)
High School Gymnasium	
Patoka Valley Refuge Meeting	November 14, 2016 (5:30pm)

Library	- 7:30pm)
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
Mid-Term for Quarter 2	November 18, 2016
Physical Education Fund Raiser	November 18, 2016 –
Cheesy Cheeseballs	December 7, 2016
Acuity	November 21, 2016 –
	December 9, 2016
Predictive B (ELA/Math)	
Grades 3 - 8	
WM JHS Spelling Bee	November 22, 2016 (1:15pm)
Cafeteria	
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	November 29, 2016
A Function of the Focus School Process (SAP)	
8:30am	
FCA Meeting During Trojan Pride	November 30, 2016
Student Achievement Plan Due	December 1, 2016
WM JHS Geography Bee	December 2, 2016 (1:15pm)
Cafeteria	
Reindeer Run/Walk	December 3, 2016
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	
Indiana Winter ECA Window	December 5 – 16, 2016
High School Student Council Meeting	December 6, 2016-2:48pm
HS/JHS Choir Christmas Concert	December 10, 2016
2:00pm	
Cafeteria	
Patoka Valley Refuge Meeting	December 12, 2016 (5:30pm
Library	- 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	December 19, 20, 22
WM High School	(5:30pm)
Quarter 2/Semester 1 Ends	December 21, 2016
HS/JHS Band Christmas Concern	December 21, 2016
5:00pm	

Cafeteria	
Christmas Break	December 22, 2016 – January 3, 2017
Toyota Classic	December 23, 2016
Gibson Southern HS	
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	January 12, 2016
2:30pm	
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
Indiana ISTEP – Part 1	February 27 – March 10, 2017
Paper and Pencil and Online	
Applied Skills	
Spring Drama/Play	March 17, 2017
High School	
Junior High School	
7:00pm	
Spring Drama/Play	March 18, 2017
High School	
Junior High School	
7:00pm	
Spring Drama/Play	March 19, 2017
High School	
Junior High School	
2:00pm	
Acuity	March 20, 2017 – April 7, 2017
Predictive C (Eng – 10/Algebra I)	
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
Indiana ECA – Summer

April 24 – May 26, 2017
August 21 – September 1,
2017

NOTES from STAFF and/or THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

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

Regarding the Acuity A round of assessments, all testing will be conducted in the junior high computer lab during the student's regularly scheduled class time. There will be on class, due to size, which will test in the high school computer lab. Actual testing dates may be found earlier in the bulletin.

From Ms. Kelly Hill, Student Services/Guidance Director

In order to assist our 7th and 8th grade parents and students Wood Memorial Junior High School will be hosting two 21st Century Scholars Workshops in October. With the assistance of Ms. Charity Julian, Oakland City University, parents and students attending the workshop will be able to gain help with the completion of the application process.

The workshops will be held on Wednesday, October 5, 2016, from 8:00am – 3:00pm and Thursday, October 6, 2016, from 3:00pm – 7:00pm. Both events will be hosted in the Wood Memorial High School Computer Lab.

For more information you may contact me at 812.749.4757.

The Program of Academic Exchange (PAX) is currently seeking families willing to host foreign exchange students. If you are interested, please contact Ms. Alaine Fritzingler at AlaineF@pax.org, or 812.585.0765.

The Dr. Z. Olen & Inez G. Pumphrey Scholarship will award \$6,000 this year to Ivy Tech students. To be eligible, students must be degree seeking and enrolled in at least one course at the Ivy Tech Princeton Instructional site.

Each year, the Dr. Z. Olen & Inez G. Pumphrey Scholarship benefits multiple students. Since 2012, the Scholarship has collectively awarded \$23,200 to 21 Ivy Tech students. This couple – life-long residents of Gibson County – have impacted students in the community with their generosity and commitment to education, said Ayana Blair, executive director of resource development for Ivy Tech. Dr. Olen passed away in 2009.

Both of these individuals knew the value of education and were willing to work for it, Blair indicated. The late Dr. Olen worked his way through college with a variety of part-time jobs and eventually opened the first veterinary clinic in Fort Branch. Inez Pumphrey taught at Marlette Elementary School in Fort Branch – but continued college classes to

complete her BA degree – going on to teach at the high school in Ft. Branch, as well as at the elementary school.

To be considered for this scholarship and others, students must first enroll for classes. Visit <https://www.ivytech.edu/apply-now/> to apply for admission to the College. For more information on scholarships available to Ivy Tech Southwest students visit <https://www.ivytech.edu/financial-aid/scholarships.html>.

You may contact Amanda Sumner, Scheduling and Assessment at asumner10@ivytech.edu, or 812.385.8495.

From Ms. Jill Bottoms, Student Council Sponsor

The annual Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, October 11, 2016, from 8:00am – 1:00pm. Our goal for this year is 35. This is a wonderful opportunity for our school – community to give a most precious resource through a blood donation. Please mark your calendars and plan on donating to the Red Cross Blood Drive.

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. Cassie Scrapper, 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/scholarships#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.aspx
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 fro Departmental	http://www.iecc.edu/page.php?page=WVCH&nest=WSCH_HOME
Western Kentucky University	January 15	https://www.wku.edu/scholarship/