

February 17, 2017

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

Greetings from the home of the Trojans!

Congratulations to coach Bartley and our girl's basketball team for earning the 2017 Regional championship last Saturday at Springs Valley. The ladies played well, winning two hard fought contests, against Crothersville and Vincennes Rivet. Wood Memorial will take part in a one game Semi-State on Saturday, February 18, 2017, at Jeffersonville. The Lady Trojans face Indianapolis Tindley, at 3:00pm (CDT). Good luck and Go Trojans!

There will be a caravan leaving Wood Memorial High School at 11:30am Saturday morning. Join us to help show these wonderful women that "Trojan Nation" is behind them all the way.

I do want to thank the Legend of French Lick for donating their facility on Saturday, allowing our Lady Trojans to relax and prepare in comfort for the championship game of the Regional. Mr. Mike Hicks, owner of the property, generously allowed our team the use of the former property of NBA Hall-of-Famer Larry Bird. The property was opened a little over a year ago and may be rented out for events, such as weddings, concerts, etc... Anyone interested in learning more about the Legend of French Lick may do so by visiting their web site at www.legendoffrenchlick.com.

Further, I would like to thank the team at 33 Brick Street Restaurant, in French Lick, for their hospitality in caring for our student-athletes Saturday. The service was great and the food terrific. Thank you to restaurant owner Tracy Tucker for allowing us the opportunity to enjoy the food and atmosphere.

On Thursday, February 16, 2017, the Wood Memorial Student Services Department held Freshman Night for those individuals entering high school next fall. Those in attendance received a packet of information that will help them prepare for the creation of the student's 4 – Year Plan. Meetings to establish the plan will begin the week of February 27, 2017.

A similar meeting is scheduled for parents, guardians, and students, who will be in grades 10 – 12 during the 2017 – 2018 school year. This will take place on Thursday, February 23, 2017, beginning at 6:00pm, in the cafeteria.

During this session information will be provided around the following:

- Student 4 – Year Planning
- New Course Offerings
- Extra- Curricular Opportunities
- Much, Much More

Mark the above date in your calendar.

An area WM is adding to their curriculum for next school year focuses on Advanced Manufacturing and Logistics. These programs are being offered through the Conexus organization and will be free of charge to students during the first two years of enrollment. The program offers students an opportunity to earn up to 12 – 15 college credits, while also having an industry certification component built into it. This is a wonderful and exciting college and career pathway for our students.

Mr. Blemker will be our instructor for the program in 2017-2018 and he is planning a field trip for 10-12 students to visit the Tell City High School program on February 21, 2017.

Preparations for the annual ISTEP assessment have been put into place. ISTEP Part 1 testing will occur for our junior high students, as well as the sophomores, during late February and March.

The junior high students will be testing in Math on February 28, 2017, with the seventh grade students taking their English assessment on March 1 and 3. Students in the eighth grade will be administered their English assessment on March 1 and 2. In conjunction, the ISTEP social studies portion is scheduled to be administered to the seventh grade students on March 6, 2017.

In order to provide an opportunity for the junior high school students to prepare for ISTEP testing, Wood Memorial instructors launched a tutoring session, on Tuesday, January 31. There were a number of students in attendance and the staff thanks parents and students for taking part in the tutoring program. The opportunity will be available every Tuesday and Wednesday, until the date of testing. Parents and students interested in taking advantage of this opportunity should do so by having the student report to the high school library after school. Students attending will be provided instruction, as well as practice opportunities, in the areas of Math and English. As an incentive, students attending six of the eight scheduled tutoring sessions will be treated to pizza for lunch on February 23.

The Wood Memorial Junior High School instructional team has put together some tips that may help your child prepare for the ISTEP Assessment. I would encourage parents to review the video with their student. The link to the video may be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GNT0piStjNI>

Students in the 10th grade will also be taking the ISTEP assessment this year, with English being administered during the period of February 27 – March 1, and Math on March 6. For this years sophomore students, the ISTEP will serve as their graduation exam.

Biology students will take the 2017 ISTEP Assessment on March 1.

Trojan TV weblinks for your viewing pleasure are:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YRA3OFJt7Vo&spfreload=10>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hNyeD8CBToE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VQeLI1UMyf4&t=1s>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fc5VQI-riPo>

Information of interest:

- The listing of First Semester Honor Roll students may be found on the high school website.
- Senior students are being asked to provide pictures for use in the graduation ceremony in May. Each senior should bring one senior picture and one baby shot to Ms. Nossett by February 24, 2017. Student names should be provided on the back of the respective picture.
- Through a grant from Alcoa, Ivy Tech is offering an opportunity for high school students who are juniors and seniors to earn up to 6 college credits during the summer at no cost. To learn more about this opportunity visit this link:
<https://www.ivytech.edu/southwest/17903.html>
- The boys basketball sectional meeting has been scheduled for February 22, 2017, at 11:00am. Coaches, athletic directors, and principals representing schools in our sectional field will be invited to review planning information for the boys basketball sectional. Further, they will enjoy a meal created and served by our talented Trojan students. This is an opportunity to showcase the skills of our wonderful students, as well as their instructors.
- The boys basketball game with North Knox, originally scheduled for Saturday, February 18, 2017, has been moved to Tuesday, February 21, 2017, beginning with the JV tip at 5:30pm. This will be our boys senior night. The move was necessary due to the conflict with the Lady Trojans appearance in this weekends Semi-State.
- Individuals not able to attend the girls Semi-State this weekend may watch it on the Greene County Sports Network at, [facebook.com/GreeneCountySportsNetwork/](https://www.facebook.com/GreeneCountySportsNetwork/).

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

“I know in my heart that man is good, that what is right will always eventually triumph, and there is purpose and worth to each and every life.”

- Ronald Reagan

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 18, 2017

Girls Basketball Semi-State at Jeffersonville
Wood Memorial vs. Indianapolis Tindley 3:00pm

Monday, February 20, 2017

All-American/Presidents Day – No School

Tuesday, February 21, 2017

JHS ISTEP Spirit Day
Ready to Rock this Test
Wear favorite Band/Musician/Concert T-Shirts
Conexus Field Trip 8:00am
Visit Tell City High School Program
Advanced Manufacturing and Logistics
Boys BB vs. North Knox 5:30pm
Boys BB Senior Night

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

JHS ISTEP Spirit Day
Put Your Best Foot Forward
Crazy Sock Day
Boys BB Sectional Meeting 11:00am
JH Wrestling vs. North Knox 5:00pm

Thursday, February 23, 2017

JHS ISTEP Spirit Day
Get Enough Rest to do Your Best
PJ Day
Group Pictures 2:00pm
Library
2017 – 2018 High School Night 6:00pm
Students in Grades 10 – 12 (Next Year)
Cafeteria

Friday, February 24, 2017

JHS ISTEP Spirit Day
Make Sure Answers are not Mismatched with the Question
Mismatched Clothes Day
A&P and Health Occupations Class Student Field Trip 8:15am – 3:10pm
Wabash Valley College – Cadaver Lab Tour
Student Council Blood Drive 8:00am – 2:00pm
Boys BB at South Knox 5:30pm

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Girls Basketball State Finals	TBD
JH Wrestling at Pike Central Invitational	TBD
Subject to Change	

Additional Dates of Note

Post Prom Committee Fund Raiser	November 4, 2016 – February 18, 2017
Chicken & Dumpling Sales – BB Games	
WIDA Access Annual Assessment	January 9 – February 24, 2017
English Language Learners	
Accuplacer – Part 2	February 13 – March 31, 2017
Indiana ISTEP – Part 1	February 27 – March 10, 2017
Paper and Pencil and Online Applied Skills	
Wrestling Team Field Trip	March 4/5, 2017
Softball Practice Begins	March 6, 2017
Blue Chip Conference Academic Bowl	March 9, 2017
At Northeast Dubois	
Registration – 3:30pm	
Coaches Meeting – 4:00pm	
Bowl Competition – 4:30pm	
End of Third Quarter	March 10, 2017
Baseball Practice Begins	March 13, 2017
Behind The Wheel Sign Up	March 13, 2017
Lunch	
Behind The Wheel Class	March 14, 2017
Subject to Numbers	
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 –

Predictive C (Eng – 10/Algebra I)	April 7, 2017
Junior High School Renaissance Day 1:45pm – 3:10pm	March 23, 2017
Snow Day 3	March 24, 2017
Spring Break	March 27 – 31, 2017
WM Archery Tournament HS Gymnasium – 7am – 9pm	April 1, 2017
Health Occupations Class Field Trip USI	April 7, 2017
Indiana ISTAR – Part 3	April 10 – May 19, 2017
Senior Pride Day	April 13, 2017
Junior High School Science Fair	April 13, 2017
Good Friday – No School	April 14, 2017
Snow Day 4	April 17, 2017
Indiana ISTEP – Part 2 Online Multiple Choice Technology Enhanced Items	April 17 – May 5, 2017
Q4 Midterm	April 21, 2017
United Way Community Service Event Seniors	April 21, 2017
Flute Fair	April 22, 2017
Indiana ECA – Spring	April 24 – May 26, 2017
WM JHS/HS Band Performance Lions Club 100 th State Conference Dinner Evansville, Indiana 7:00pm	April 29, 2017
Academy Day Hosted by Congressman Larry Bucshon, M.D. Vincennes University – Gibson County Center 8:30am – 11:00am	April 29, 2017
AP Physics Exam	May 2, 2017
AP English – Literature Exam (English 12)	May 3, 2017
AP Biology	May 8, 2017
AP Calculus	May 9, 2017
AP English Language (English 11) Exam	May 10
ECA Algebra I English For Retesters	May 10 – 19, 2017
Chemistry II Field Trip Vincennes University 7:00am – 2:30pm	May 12, 2017
Senior Week	May 18 – May 24, 2017
Snow Day 5	May 25, 2017

Snow Day 6
Graduation
Indiana ECA – Summer

May 26, 2017
May 27, 2017
August 21 – September 1,
2017

NOTES from STAFF and/or THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

From Mr. Steve Kilian, Athletic Director

Promoting Education Based Athletics in Indiana

Super Bowl 51 was Tom Brady's fifth title. His leadership and grit helped lead his team back from a 28-3 deficit. This game will no doubt seal Brady's legacy as the best quarterback to ever play the game.

However, Brady still realizes he is part of the team and not the team. When asked why there has never been any friction between him and his coach, Brady answers quite simply: "He's the coach, I'm the player." That simple philosophy is a quality that all athletes should take to heart.

Do you listen to your coach? Do you let outside influences affect your attitude towards your coach? If your coach asks you to do something, do you abide? The most successful teams are those that believe in their coach and the system he (she) runs!

All content copy of Billy Shepherd Sports Inc. as provided by Robby Kimes of the IHSAA.

Tournament Pairing and Competition dates:

Boys Basketball – Sunday, February 19, 2017 (Pairings Announced)

Boys Basketball Sectional Tournaments – February 28 – March 4, 2017

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

The junior class will be running the concession stand at all girls and boy's basketball games this winter. Every junior must work two basketball games in the concession stand, or pay \$10.00 for 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 Thursday.

Junior High Students: Last Change to order a Junior High Yearbook! The cost of a book itself is \$26.00. Orders must be submitted to Ms. E. Hill, or online at jostensyearbook.com by February 28. Order forms are available in the Junior High School Office, or from Ms. Elizabeth Hill.

Class of 2017: The yearbook staff needs a senior photo of your choice to appear in the yearbook next to your Straub picture. Pictures must be taken by a professional photographer and be school appropriate. Please email high resolution images to ehill@egsc.k12.in.us, or bring Ms.

Elizabeth Hill a printed picture no smaller than 4x6 inches to scan. Please participate, even if you do not order a yearbook!

Straub Photography will be at Wood Memorial High School on Thursday, February 23, 2017, to take the remaining group pictures for this school year. Pictures will be taken at 2:00pm, in the high school library.

The following groups will be involved in the pictures:

JH Academic Teams
JH ABC Club
JH P7 Club
HS P7 Club
HS Peer Tutors
JH Wrestling Team (HS Gym)
HS Dance Team (HS Gym)

From Ms. Kelly Hill, Student Services/Guidance Director

For students requiring assistance with math and science there is a free hotline available to you. The Rose Hulman Institute sponsored “Homework Hotline” has tutors ready to assist students with their assignments. Rose Hulman students man the Hotline from 7:00pm – 10:00pm (EST) – 6:00pm – 9:00pm (CDT) Sunday – Thursday.

The Hotline phone number is 877.ASK.ROSE.

Rose Hulman also offers resources you may find helpful at www.AskRose.org.

Abbott and Fenner Business Consultants have announced their 2017 scholarship program, which is their 10th year of doing so. The winners will receive up to \$1000 in scholarship money each year. The deadline for applying is June 12, 2017.

To apply, and learn more, for this opportunity you may go to <http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm>

For junior students, there will be an informational meeting held on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, during Trojan Pride, to introduce to you a scholarship opportunity. Sgt. Rocky Guthrie will be on campus during this time to introduce you to the NROTC scholarship. The meeting will be held in the lecture room.

From Ms. Laramy Parke, HEROES Wellness Coordinator

Staff members of Wood Memorial Junior High School and High School are taking part in a health and wellness challenge this winter. The challenge has been broken into five (5) two week segments, with progress begin scored among the participants. The overall winner will receive an award.

The challenge segments have been identified as:

Segment 1 January 9 – 22
Segment 2 January 23 – February 5
Segment 3 February 6 – February 19
Segment 4 February 20 – March 5
Segment 5 March 6 – March 19

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, 8:00am – 1:00pm.

From Ms. Elizabeth McClelland, Drama Sponsor

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

From Mr. Christopher Meyer, WMHS/WMJHS Band Director

The Wood Memorial Band has launched a Facebook page to keep our school-community up to date with what is occurring. The page will provide those visiting with information on upcoming performances, current news, photos, and videos from the band. It will also offer resources for students and parents.

The page can be found @woodmemorialband, on Facebook.

From Ms. Sally Morton, School Nurse

The Indiana State Department of Health has updated the school immunization requirements. For the 2017 – 2018 school year, it is recommended that incoming seniors have a Meningococcal Serogroup B (MenB) vaccine in addition to the already required Meningococcal ACWY vaccine (MCV4). For the 2018 – 2019 school year, the MenB vaccine will be required for incoming seniors.

Two doses of Hepatitis A is required for Kindergarten through 3rd grades and recommended for grades 4 through 12 during the 2017 – 2018 school year. For the 2018 – 2019 school year, two doses of Hepatitis A are required for Kindergarten through 4th grades, 6th grade, and 12th grades. Two doses of Hepatitis A are recommended for 5th grade and grades 7 – 11.

Please call the nurses office at 812.749.4222 with any questions.

From Erin Lucas, Office of Congressman Larry Bucshon

The 2017 Academy Day will be held on Saturday, April 29, 2017, at the Vincennes University Gibson County Center, in Fort Branch, Indiana. Registration begins at 8:30am, with the program running from 9:00am – 11:00am (CDT).

Individuals considering a career in one of the United States Service Academies will be able to learn about the opportunities, the application process, congressional nominations, and the every day life of a Service Academy Cadet.

The application process for a congressional nomination from Congressman Bucshon's office, for the class of 2022, will be from March 1, 2017 until October 6, 2017.

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/