JMWT WARRIOR WEEK

Monday, January 11, 2021

(GREEN = PFO / PURPLE = SCHOOL / *** denotes NEW INFORMATION or UPDATES)

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THIS WEEK

Monday	Jan 11 (B)	
Tuesday	Jan 12 (B)	
Wednesday	Jan 13 (B)	
Thursday	Jan 14 (B)	
Friday	Jan 15 (B)	

LOOKING AHEAD

January									
Monday	Jan 18	No school	Martin Luther King Birthday						
Wednesday	Jan 27 Early Dismissal		Professional Development						
February	-								
Monday	Feb 1	Fundraiser	Restaurant night @ Luigi's Restaurant & Pizzeria 968 High Ridge Road.						
Friday	Feb 5	Early Dismissal	Professional Development						
Friday	Feb 12	No school	Holiday						
Monday	Feb 15	No school	Presidents' Day						
March	-								
Tuesday	Mar 16	Early Dismissal	Professional Development						
Friday	Mar 26		Skills USA						

REPORTING QUARTERS								
#	Days							
1st	9/2 - 11/10	45						
2nd	11/11 - 1/27	45						
3rd	1/28 - 4/09	48						
4th	4/19 - 6/15	41						

INFORMATION FROM THE PFO AND THE SCHOOL

Who we are:

The JMWT PFO is a 501(c)3 independent organization whose sole purpose is to offer support to all JMWT students, teachers and school. Our membership is made up of parents, teachers, students and alumni. Our mission is to foster a collaborative relationship between parents/families, students and teachers in order to enhance the student's high school experience. We do this through social activities, school events, and local community events.

We meet once a month on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the PFO room (unless otherwise noted), located at the rear of the building near the bus parking.

For more information on the PFO please visit <u>www.jmwrightpfo.org</u>.

PFO Meetings

*** Next PFO meeting: To be determined.

For All students

******* The College Boards will be hosting virtual College Fairs. Please see the attached flyer. Check out the website (<u>cb.org/bigfuturedays</u>) to learn more.

Students wishing to take Norwalk Community College (NCC)/UConn Early College Experience (ECE) courses can do so FREE of charge, please contact your counselor for more information.

Juniors and Seniors who are in good academic standing (3.0+ GPA) and are passing all their classes may take up to 2 classes per semester at Norwalk Community College (NCC) for FREE. Please see your counselor for more details.

If you are interested in a World Language, they offer:

- Arabic
- Chinese
- French
- Italian
- Japanese
- Spanish

SHOPPING/FUNDRAISING

SMILE.AMAZON.COM - **On-going.** Whenever you are shopping online, especially during the holiday season, please consider shopping through **SMILE.AMAZON.COM** for all your **AMAZON**

purchases. This charitable donation arm of AMAZON donates a portion of all your purchases to a charity of your choice, at no additional cost to you. We would love you to choose, **J M Wright Tech PFO Inc*** (or go to the direct JMWT link <u>here</u> on Amazon Smile), as your charity of choice. Thank you for your support. (Make sure there is a space between "J" and "M") ***You can now also use the mobile app, just go to settings in the app, choose AmazonSmile, and follow the in-app instructions to complete the process.

*******This year JMWT will be selling **Discount Cards**. The cards are \$20 each and can be ordered via Venmo or Paypal. The cards are valid for one year through December 31, 2021. We have 36 fantastic vendors signed up!! You can view our participating vendors at the following link: https://jmwrightpfo.org/discount-cards.

You can order cards via Venmo @JMWrightPFO (<u>https://venmo.com/JMWrightPFO</u>) or <u>Paypal</u> <u>Here</u>. Please list your child's name in the comments when you pay via Venmo or Paypal. JMWT faculty/staff, please list that you are staff in the comment section.

For parents who pre-ordered cards in November, your cards were dropped off at the school on 12/2. You can schedule a time for pick up and get them at the security desk if you did not pick up your card yet.

If you purchase a discount card this week please plan to pick up your card(s) on Saturday January 16th at Humbled Coffeehouse located at 575 Hope Street, Stamford. Joanne Aldrich and Jen Hanley will be there from 9am – 10:30am.



We hope you enjoy the discounts !!



JMWT now has clothing bins!

Instead of throwing out or dropping off your old clothes & textiles for donation at gas station bins, please consider supporting J.M. Wright Technical High School at 120 Bridge Street (located at Scalzi Park). Plus, this helps our environment! 🕔

We accept all sorts of used textiles here - from old sheets and throw pillows, single socks and torn jeans, even stuffed animals and old shoes - this prevents discarded items becoming part of landfills and gives them a second life. 🊵

The bins are located at the front entrance of the school near Cubeta Field, to make it more convenient to drop off your old clothes and textiles. See the attached flyer for information on the items that can be donated.

Please share the news $\heartsuit igvee \varpi$





******* Thank You to Luigi's Restaurant located at 968 High Ridge Road for sponsoring JMWT Restaurant Nights! Luigi's donated a portion of all sales back to our school. They offer \$10.99 pizzas on Mondays.



Information for juniors and seniors

*** Student Leaders Internship Program through Bank of America:

Below outlines the current plan, with in-person components subject to change based on national guidelines. Though this past year's program was virtual, it was incredibly robust and impactful on the Student Leaders. **This program is available to high school juniors and seniors in Bridgeport, New Haven, and Stamford.**

Through Student Leaders[®], Bank of America recognizes high school students who lead and serve in their own communities and beyond. We connect Student Leaders to tools and resources to help make communities better.

As a Student Leader, you will:

- Work as a paid intern at a local nonprofit for eight weeks
- Attend the weeklong Student Leaders Summit in Washington, D.C.
- Develop leadership and career skills
- Connect with like-minded students from your own community and across the country.

Application deadline: January 29, 2021. Use the following link to apply: Student Leaders®, Bank of America

*** The 2021 Coolidge Scholarship application is now live. As a quick refresher, the Coolidge Scholarship is a full-ride, four-year, merit scholarship that may be used by recipients for undergraduate study at any accredited college or university in the United States. Any high school junior who plans to enroll in college in the fall of 2022 and is an American citizen or legal permanent resident is eligible to apply (current high school seniors are not eligible to apply).

Coolidge Scholars are selected based primarily on academic excellence. Secondary criteria include: an interest in public policy, an appreciation for the values President Coolidge championed, as well as humility and service. Today's competitive academic culture regrettably sometimes drives students to hype their accomplishments and pursue ambitious efforts merely to attain credentials. The Coolidge Scholarship pushes back on this trend. Successful candidates are indeed accomplished, but exhibit humility with respect to their achievements and pursue things of genuine interest to them regardless of the perceived prestige associated with the activity. A complete description of the scholarship's criteria is available <u>here</u>.

Alert: the application requires that applicants read President Coolidge's Autobiography and complete a few other reading assignments. While the book is not overly long, we encourage applicants to begin the application early so that they have plenty of time. *Candidates who begin the application at the last minute are unlikely to be successful.* The submission deadline is **5:00 PM EST, Wednesday, January 20, 2021**.

The scholarship application, along with additional information, can be accessed on our scholarship site: <u>www.coolidgescholars.org</u>. Please note If you have any questions regarding the scholarship, the Coolidge Scholars Program can be reached by email at <u>coolidgescholars@coolidgefoundation.org</u> or by phone at (202) 827-4291.

To address the urgent need for straightforward money guidance, Kristen Jacks has published "Money in Your Twenties: Getting Started." It is a highly practical guide that covers relevant topics like the 5 taxes withheld in a typical paycheck and how they are calculated. The book also teaches young people how to live within their means without doing a tedious budget. Finally, it identifies the topics young people should consider as they start their money journey (for example, credit reports and credit scores, risk management, and the best ways to save).

The book is available for purchase on Amazon here: <u>https://smile.amazon.com/Money-Your-Twenties-Getting-Started/dp/0578610582/ref=sr 1 1?keywords=Kristen+Jacks&qid=1578535946&sr=8-1</u>

You can also get straightforward money guidance in an interactive way on the Money in Your Twenties website (<u>www.moneyinyourtwenties.com</u>).

WORK-BASED LEARNING/JOBS

The below jobs have been brought to us by people looking to hire, often we learn of these as we are out and about. Reach out to the contact on the posting and indicate that you are with JM Wright Technical High School. We will do our best to keep this listing up to date but understand that the jobs **may be filled or recalled without notice**.

If you, or anyone you know, has a need please let us know. Postings are for WBL jobs, part-time work, or individual jobs. Send a detailed email to Info@JMWrightTechPFO.org with the Subject: NEWSLETTER.

Part-time Work: None yet.

Miscellaneous Jobs: None yet.

***** DON'T FORGET:** You can request that our students do **PRODUCTION WORK** for you. Our Construction Trades offer parents and the community an opportunity to have work done by our upper classmen.

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BigFuture Days

SIGN UP FOR COLLEGE BOARD'S FIRST-EVER VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIRS

Whether you've already started your college search or have no idea where to begin, we want to connect you with colleges that might be a good fit for you. BigFuture[™] Days gives you a chance to get information about multiple colleges from college admissions officers and current college students.

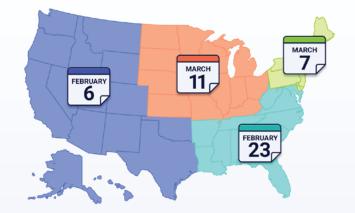
Here are five reasons to attend BigFuture Days:

- Explore colleges in a way that's informative but not overwhelming.
- 2 Connect directly with colleges to get answers to your questions and show your interest in attending.
- 3 Hear from current college students who know what it's like on campus.
- 4 Take key college planning steps like searching for colleges and exploring scholarships.
- 5 Join these free events from a computer or mobile device.

Sophomores and Juniors: Save These Dates

Explore your college options in each region—attend any or all of these events.

- BigFuture Day West + Southwest, Saturday, February 6
- BigFuture Day Southeast, Tuesday, February 23
- BigFuture Day Northeast, Sunday, March 7
- BigFuture Day Midwest, Thursday, March 11



Go to **cb.org/bigfuturedays** to register and learn more!

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2020-2021 Board Members



The JMWT PFO needs you! We have open positions for the 2020-2021 school year that need to be filled.

Name:	E-Mail:
Phone:	Class of 20
Which open position(s) are you ir	iterested in: (Please check)
Co-President:	Co-Treasurer:
Co-Secretary:	Membership Coordinator:
Outreach to Alumni:	General membership:
I'm not sure, please contac	t me:
Do you have prior experien like to bring to the PFO? Please describe:	nce with other organizations or a passion you would

Please return this form to the PFO mailbox at school, or e-mail to info@WrightTechPFO.org.

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