

JMWT WARRIOR WEEK

Monday, November 16, 2020

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

www.jmwrightpfo.org

THIS WEEK

Monday	Nov 16 (B)	Fundraiser deadline	Discount Card vendor participation forms are due.
Tuesday	Nov 17 (B)		
Wednesday	Nov 18 (B)	7:00 pm	FCC Foundation Youth Forum (see attached flyer).
Thursday	Nov 19 (B)		
Friday	Nov 20 (B)		

LOOKING AHEAD

November			
Wednesday	Nov 25	Early Dismissal	Day before Thanksgiving
Thursday	Nov 26	No school	Thanksgiving Day
Friday	Nov 27	No school	Vacation Day
December			
Monday	Dec 7	Fundraiser	Restaurant night @ Luigi's Restaurant & Pizzeria 968 High Ridge Road.
Wednesday	Dec 23	Early Dismissal	
Thursday – Thursday	Dec 24 – 31	No school	Christmas and vacation days
January			
Friday	Jan 1	No school	New Year's Day
Monday	Jan 4	Fundraiser	Restaurant night @ Luigi's Restaurant & Pizzeria.
Monday	Jan 18	No school	Martin Luther King Birthday
Wednesday	Jan 27	Early Dismissal	Professional Development

REPORTING QUARTERS		
#	Dates	Days
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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 www.jmwrightpfo.org.

PFO Meetings

***** November meeting:** Due to upticks in Covid cases we are sending the PFO updates in this newsletter and on ParentSquare this week. Visit our website for more information at www.JMWrightPFO.org and please feel free to contact us with any questions.

For All students

******* *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, **JM***

Wright Tech PFO Inc* (or go to the direct JMWT link [here](#) 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.

***Thank you to all those who supported our Lyman Pies Fundraiser, we raised \$1,327! We sold 188 items, more than double from November 2019! Special thanks to Suzanne Santrock for organizing this event and to our volunteers who helped on pie delivery day last week! We hope everyone enjoys their pies! In the spring, PFO will offer the Lyman Butter Braid Pastry and Joyful Traditions Cake Rolls sale which also looks amazing!

***Our next Restaurant Night will be Monday, December 7th at Luigi's Restaurant located at 968 High Ridge Road. Luigis will sponsor a JMWT Restaurant Night every first Monday of each month. Be sure to mention JM Wright Tech when you go! Luigi's will donate a portion of all sales back to our school. They offer \$10.99 pizzas on Mondays.





Dine In, Take Out or Delivery!

MONDAY 12/7

Restaurant Night



Mention JM Wright Tech!

Luigi's at 968 High Ridge Rd

******* *This year JMWT will be selling Discount Cards. The cards are \$20 each and can be pre-ordered now 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>.*

To order You can pre-order via Venmo @JMWRightPFO (<https://venmo.com/JMWrightPFO>) or [Paypal Here](#).

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.

We will send a message when the cards arrive after printing. For pre-orders, we will place your cards in envelopes, and you can schedule a time to pick them up at the school's security desk.

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 will be moved to the front of the school and the back parking lot by North Street entrance/exit on Wednesday, November 18th, 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 🤍❤️😊

Information for juniors

******* 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 [here](#).

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: www.coolidgescholars.org. Please note If you have any questions regarding the scholarship, the Coolidge Scholars Program can be reached by email at coolidgescholars@coolidgefoundation.org or by phone at (202) 827-4291.

Information for seniors

To address the urgent need for straightforward money guidance, Kristen Jacks recently 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: https://smile.amazon.com/Money-Your-Twenties-Getting-Started/dp/0578610582/ref=sr_1_1?keywords=Kristen+Jacks&qid=1578535946&sr=8-1

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

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.



Speak Up, Speak Out Creating Change in Your High School

Wednesday, November 18, 2020
7:00pm-8:00pm

Hear from your peers who are shaping school communities.

Learn how to unleash your inner leader and activist.

Share ideas about how your school can better support student needs.

Plus, engage in a student panel and discussion.

Student panelists include: Founder of Period Poverty Organization (Sacred Heart Greenwich, Greenwich), Social justice advocate and creator of Mental Minds Project (The Academy of Information Technology and Engineering, Stamford), and Youth Leader with Bridgeport Youth Power Committee (Bassick High School, Bridgeport). Panel Moderator: Student Leader and illustrator of I Love My Kinky Hair (The Academy of Information Technology and Engineering, Stamford).

To Register:

FCCFoundation.org/T25YouthForum

RSVP to be entered to win prizes. Winners must be present to claim prizes. You will be provided login information at a later date.
This virtual event is brought to you by Fairfield County's Community Foundation's Thrive by 25 initiative, which aims to empower every young adult to achieve self-sufficiency by age 25 – strengthening the future of our whole community.

**Join us & let your voice be heard!
Connect with peers from different
cities and towns, win prizes, and
earn community service credits!**



Hello JMWT Neighbors!

Cleaning out your closets?

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We accept all sorts of used textiles here - from old sheets and pillows, single socks and torn jeans, even stuffed animals and old shoes - this keeps used items that would normally be thrown away and go to landfills and gives them a second life.

Please see the list of all items accepted on the back of this flyer. The bins will be here permanently so tell your friends and family.

The bins are located in front of school & back parking lot (by North St)

School receives cash back for every ton collected, and it goes to help our students! Thank you!



NEARLY **100%** OF DONATED TEXTILES ARE RECYCLED! They are separated into three grades:

45%
USABLE CLOTHING



20%
FIBER CONVERSION GRADE



30%
WIPING CLOTH GRADE



Recycled fiber products SAVE MONEY and RESOURCES by using existing materials.



CLOSING THE LOOP

Recycled cloth rags use LESS WATER, LESS ENERGY and create a LOWER CARBON FOOTPRINT than all other alternatives.



The second hand clothing market provides AFFORDABLE CLOTHING to those in need and ENCOURAGES GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP.



SECOND LIFE ...



stained t-shirt → wiping cloth



lone sock → pillow stuffing



old denim → household insulation



teddy bear



→ car seat stuffing



torn bath towel → wiping cloth



JMWT Textile Recycling Bins

Acceptable Items for Recycling

All of the following can be donated in any condition as long as it's clean and dry:

Footwear:

Shoes
Heels
Pumps
Sandals

Boots
Work Boots
Dress Boots
Winter Boots

Sneakers
Cleats
Slippers
Flip Flops

Clothing:

Tops
Sweaters
Sweatshirts
Dresses
Tank Tops
Blazers

Pants
Jeans
Sweatpants
Skirts
Shorts
Slacks

Undergarments
Socks
T-Shirts
Slips
Pajama's
Coats

Accessories:

Hats
Pocketbooks
Belts

Gloves
Duffle Bags
Ties

Scarfs
Totes
Bathrobes

Linens:

Sheets
Blankets
Draperies

Aprons
Dish Towels
Table linens

Comforters
Throw Rugs
Placemats

Stuffed Animals | Throw/Decorative Pillows

**no pillows used for sleep*

In any condition, 95% of all textiles can be recycled or reused

Reduce - Reuse - Recycle

**J.M. WRIGHT TECHNICAL
HIGH SCHOOL**



J.M. Wright Tech Parent Faculty Organization

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J.M. Wright Tech Parent Faculty Organization

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 interested in: (Please check)

Co-President: _____

Co-Treasurer: _____

Co-Secretary: _____

Membership Coordinator: _____

Outreach to Alumni: _____

General membership: _____

I'm not sure, please contact me: _____

Do you have prior experience with other organizations or a passion you would like to bring to the PFO? _____

Please describe:

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

Wright THS School Calendar 2020-21 7/28/2020

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER (26)(19)				
M	T	W	TH	F
17	18 NTO	19 NTO	20	21
24	25 SPD	26 DPD	27 SPD	28 SPD
31 SPD	1 SPD	2 SFD	3	4
7 H	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23 SAT	24	25
28	29 DPD	30		

FEBRUARY (18)				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5 pd
8	9	10	11	12 H
15 H	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26

OCTOBER (21)(20)				
M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12 H	13	14 PSAT	15	16
19	20	21 SPD	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

MARCH (22)				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16 pd	17	18	19
22	23	24 SAT	25	26 Skills
29	30	31		

NOVEMBER (18)(17)				
M	T	W	TH	F
2	3 DPD	4	5	6
9	10	11 H	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25 ED	26 H	27 V
30				

APRIL (16)				
M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2 H
5	6	7	8	9
12 V	13 V	14 V	15 V	16 V
19	20 pd	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

DECEMBER (17)				
M	T	W	TH	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23 ED	24 V	25 H
28 V	29 V	30 V	31 V	

MAY (20)				
M	T	W	TH	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31 H				

JANUARY (19)				
M	T	W	TH	F
				1 H
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18 H	19	20	21	22
25	26	27 pd	28 S-2	29

JUNE (11)				
M	T	W	TH	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15 TLD	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30		

CODING	
Holiday (H)	Student's First Day (SFD)
Vacation (V)	Tenative Last Day (TLD)
Semester 2 (S-2)	Day 182
Early Dismissal (ED)	Skills USA
New Teacher Orientation (NTO)	
District Professional Development - Full Day (DPD)	
School Professional Development - Full Day (SPD)	
School Professional Development - Half Day (pd)	
PSAT/SAT	W - Weather Closure
PC - Parent Conference	E - Emergency Closure
OH - Open House	L - Late Opening
SS - Shop Selection	EC - Early Closure
G - Graduation (actual)	D - Digital Learning Day

CALENDAR NOTES
All Early Dismissals, Late Openings, Emergency & Weather Closings should be reported using the District Google Form
The 3 after-school events and related compensatory Early Dismissals should be reported to Brent McCartney
No Early Dismissals may be planned during B Cycle until the completion of Phases 1 & 2 of Exploratory.

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Cycle Schedule (9 Trades)			
A Cycle (9/12- Academics & 10/11- Trade)			
B Cycle (10/11- Academics & 9/12- Trade)			
Exploratory Phase 1- Cycle 1			
Exploratory Phase 2- Cycle 3			
Cycle		Dates	Days
1	B	9/2 - 9/16	10
2	A	9/17 - 10/5	12
3	B	10/6 - 10/14	6
4	A	10/15 - 10/29	10
5	B	10/30 - 11/13	9
6	A	11/16 - 11/25	8
7	B	11/30 - 12/11	10
8	A	12/14 - 12/23	8
9	B	1/4 - 1/15	10
10	A	1/19 - 1/29	9
11	B	2/1 - 2/11	9
12	A	2/16 - 2/26	9
13	B	3/1 - 3/9	7
14	A	3/10 - 3/19	8
15	B	3/22 - 4/1	8
16	A	4/5 - 4/23	10
17	B	4/26 - 5/7	10
18	A	5/10 - 5/21	10
19	B	5/24 - 6/7	10
20	A	6/8 - 6/15	6
TOTALS			179

A Cycle Total	90
B Cycle Total	89

