

Week of March 13th Announcements WMS

[Click here for video announcements from our Announcements Club!](#)

Attention All Students:

- Portage West Middle School yearbooks are on sale.
- **Link to purchase:** \$30 and you can purchase one by using the: [Yearbook Link](#)
- **Special Giveaway:** If you purchase a yearbook before March 15th, you will be entered into a drawing to have your picture taken with a group of friends for a special page in the yearbook. There will also be a grand prize winner who will get a FREE yearbook for 2023 (that family will receive a refund!).

Attention All Students:

- Anyone interested in participating in Water polo:
- Co-Ed 6th-8th grade Middle School Water Polo Spring 2023
- Time: 3:00-4:15 after school
- Dates: March 13th- April 21st
- Days of the week: Monday through Thursday
- Location: PCHS Pool
- Requirements: Need to be able to swim 50 yards efficiently and you need a swimsuit.
- For more information- contact Coach DeVries at
- sdevries@portageps.org
- [Link to the google doc for sign ups](#)

Attention All 7th & 8th Graders Interested In Track

- Track sign ups begin today!
- Official Practice begins March 13th
- Practice begins at 3 and will be completed by 4:30...EVERYDAY!!
- Please make sure you have a physical on file with Mr. Helsom
- Come out for track and be social with your friends!
- Track Sign Up

Attention All 6th Grade Girls:

WMS Intramural Volleyball will meet from 2:50-4:30 pm after school the month of March. This is a drop-in program for all WMS female 6th grade students and no prior experience in volleyball is necessary. The goal of our program is to provide students with basic skill development, a variety of playing opportunities, and an introduction to the game of volleyball.

- Instruction will be provided by the current West coaches, Coach Ha and Coach Przewozniak, and volunteer 7th and 8th grade players from WMS, as well as high school players who formerly played for West.
- Practice Dates:
- Tuesday, March 7th
- Thursday, March 9th
- Monday, March 13th
- Wednesday, March 15th
- Tuesday, March 21st
- Students will meet at the WMS gym at 2:50 every day before practice starts. Practice will end at 4:30. Parents may pick up their students at the school's front entrance after practice. Parents are asked to please have a ride scheduled to pick your child up no later than 4:45 as our coaches need to get to other scheduled activities.
- Students do not need an athletic physical to participate in Intramural Volleyball and there are no fees attached to participation in this.
- If you have any questions, concerns or comments? Please call or email:
- Geoff Helsom WMS Athletic Department ghelsom@portageps.org

Attention any students that are interested in participating in Diving that will be going to Portage Central High School.

- **Dates:** 3 weeks (Monday, April 3rd - Thursday, April 20th)
- **Who:** CMS and West students who will attend PCHS
- **Location of Diving:** Portage Central's Natatorium
- **Practice Times:** 3:00-4:30 (Monday-Thursday each week)
- **Busing to Practice:** WMS students participating will catch a bus in front of WMS at 2:10 every day of practice. The bus will drop off at CMS. Parents are required to pick up their student at the end of practice from the PCHS Natatorium.
- **Participation Limit:** Please note that there is a limited number of participation spots for safety reasons. We will take the first seven WMS students that sign up at this sign up [LINK](#). We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause, but we must put a limit to participation numbers due to safety concerns when working with the divers.
- **Athletic Physical on File:** Divers must have an athletic physical on file at school in order to participate.
- **Questions? Contact:**
- Coach Woods mwoods@portageps.org
- Coach Greene mgreene@portageps.org

Attention All Students:

- In honor of March being Reading Month, why not participate in the library's Design Your Own Bookmark Contest? The winner for each grade will win a prize along with the winning bookmark design printed and available to the school! The theme is, "My Favorite Book." Forms are also available in the library on the counter. The due date is Friday, March 17th! We can't wait to see your designs! And staff, this year you can participate, too! We will have a special Staff category for our adults who want to display some creativity, too!

Attention any students that are interested in participating in Diving that will be going to Portage Northern High School.

- **Dates:** 3 weeks (Monday, April 24th - Thursday, May 11th)
- **Who:** NMS and West students who will attend PNHS
- **Location of Diving:** Portage Northern's Natatorium
- **Practice Times:** 3:00-4:30 (Monday-Thursday each week)
- **Busing to Practice:** WMS students participating will catch a bus in front of WMS at 2:10 every day of practice. The bus will drop off at NMS. Parents are required to pick up their student at the end of practice from the PNHS Natatorium.
- **Participation Limit:** Please note that there is a limited number of participation spots for safety reasons. We will take the first seven WMS students that sign up at this sign up [LINK](#). We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause, but we must put a limit to participation numbers due to safety concerns when working with the divers.
- **Athletic Physical on File:** Divers must have an athletic physical on file at school in order to participate. Questions? Contact: Coach Woods mwoods@portageps.org Coach Greene mgreene@portageps.org

Attention All Students:

We still have two spots open for our Mar 11/18 Safe Sitter course at Bronson. We have just opened up 12 spots for a two-session Apr 29/May 6 class. It's a great class to prepare for summer to stay home alone safely, with younger siblings, or to babysit for other families. Links for registration are posted below. The Mar 11/18 class will remain open until Friday afternoon, Mar 10.

Safe Sitter (bronsonhealth.com)-- Mar 11/18

Safe Sitter (bronsonhealth.com)-- Apr 29/May 6