

News From the Woods

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Important Dates

Nov 2 - Election Day

Nov 3 - Trimester 1 Ends

Nov 7 - Daylight Savings - Fall Back!

Nov 10 - Board of Education Meeting - 5:30 @ WJH

Nov 11 - Veterans Day / Report Cards Go Home

Nov 19 - Picture Retake Day

Nov 22 - No School -Parent Teacher Conferences (12:15pm -7:30pm)

Nov 23 - No School - Teacher Institute Day

Nov 24 - 26 - No School -Thanksgiving Break

Looking Ahead:

Dec 8: Board of Ed Mtg @ 5:30pm

Dec 17: Last day before Winter Break

Dec 18-Jan 4 : No School - Winter Break

A Letter from the Principal - November 2021

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Dear Worthwoods Families,

November is officially here and it's the perfect time of the year to think about all that we're thankful for! It's a time to slow down, be with our loved ones, and show our appreciation and gratitude for those who greatly impact our everyday lives. When I think about everything I am thankful for, I automatically think about my family and friends who always show me unconditional love and support. I think about how lucky I am for my good health. I also think about my Worthwoods community. I am so thankful to be surrounded by such an amazing group of students and staff each day. I am thankful for the dedicated parents and families whose partnership with our schools help to create a strong learning environment for our students both at school and at home.

Although we had a lot of fun in October with Halloween and spirit week, November is a busy month! It's hard to believe that we just ended our first Trimester of the school year and that report cards will be going home soon. Time seems to be flying by! It feels like we're going to blink and it will already be Thanksgiving Break. Picture retakes will be held on November 19th and Parent Teacher Conferences are on November 22nd. This year, parents will have the opportunity to sign up digitally and have the option of in-person or virtual meetings. Links will be shared with parents through School Messenger.

There have been a lot of changes in the different assessment tools administered by Worth School District. Although our students have taken the Illinois Assessment for Readiness (IAR) for several years, this is the first year that they have offered a Parent Portal to access your student's scores. Results, including directions for setting up your Parent Portal, will be sent home with report cards on November 11th. We also are beginning to implement a new student assessment tool. Instead of MAP, which was previously given, our district has transitioned to Fastbridge.

We end this month with Thanksgiving. For all those who celebrate, on behalf of our Worthwoods family, we wish you a wonderful Thanksgiving and a restful break!

Yours truly,

Ms. Ashley Toms

Worthwoods School Principal

Melissa Wills

Mrs. Melissa Wills

Worthwoods School Assistant Principal

IMPORTANT SCHOOL INFORMATION

Daily Student Schedule

Grades 1-5

8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Kindergarten

AM: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. PM: 12:15 - 3:15 p.m.

Attendance

Attendance will be taken at **8:30 a.m.** for ALL students. P.M. Kindergarten will take attendance at 12:15 p.m.

Please call the office to report any absences or late arrivals.

If your child is sick, please call the ABSENCE HOTLINE 708-671-5899

The Absence Hotline answering machine is on 24 hours per day. You can also contact our main office at 708-448-2802.

School Information

- Voice Reach Worth
 School District uses an
 automated telephone
 system to email and call
 parents with important
 information, updates, and
 information regarding
 emergency school closings.
- Calls are made to the phone number designated by the parent/legal guardian.
- Please make sure the school always has your most up-to-date phone number and email.
- Website –
 www.worthschools.org
- Main Office Phone 708-448-2802

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