

School Council News



KEEPING YOU INFORMED...
TOPICS DISCUSSED AT THE APRIL 10, 2019 MEETING

Council Members:

Matt Freedman
Principal
Chairperson

Jennifer Kistler
Parent
Vice-Chairperson

Carla Page
Secretary/Teacher

Candice Thornton
Parent

Robert Tidwell
Parent

Brandon Williams
Parent

Lynne Montgomery
Teacher



Visitors are welcome to attend all School Council meetings. This includes teachers, parents, and community members. The next School Council meeting will be held September 18, 2019 at 7:30 a.m. in the WES conference

Call to Order

The meeting began with roll call and review and approval of the agenda. Calendar updates were discussed and are included on the back of this newsletter. The roles and responsibilities of WES School Council members are as follows: Mr. Freedman, Chairperson; Mrs. Jennifer Kistler, Vice-Chairperson; Mrs. Carla Page, Secretary.

Upcoming Parent Nights

Deb Haven, Instructional Lead Strategist at Woodstock Elementary School discussed the idea of offering a "Summer Slide" parent night before the end of the school year. This workshop would provide parents with ideas and strategies to help support their children over the summer to prevent them from regressing academically. There will be two nights available for parents, divided by grade levels. More information will be available when the schedule is finalized.

New Behavior Plan for the Cafeteria

A new behavior plan for the cafeteria began March 4. Lunchroom monitors are using a green/yellow/red visual on the lunchroom tables to help students understand when their noise level is too high or if another behavior needs to be corrected. This new program has received positive feedback from teachers and parents.

Garden Update

The School Council members discussed the new 3-5 year plan for the garden. It includes basic weed control and maintenance with the addition of additional planter boxes. The goal is for each grade level to have 1-2 planter boxes to use for instructional purposes. Ideal Landscape Solutions will provide quarterly fertilization and weed control. The school will work to create an after school garden club with parents to assist with monthly maintenance. WES will also seek support from master gardeners and work with local businesses to bring in environmental experts for in-house lectures.

Ms. Kern will continue to lead the Garden Club and Committee. This committee will work to support teachers and gather volunteers to support the garden development. The garden committee will create grade level appropriate sample lessons that teachers can implement with students in the garden and in the classroom.

The Rotary Club, WES PTA and Ideal Landscape Solutions have all donated funds to support the school's efforts in implementing the 3-5 year plan for the garden.





2019-20 School Council Meeting Dates

- ♦ Sept. 18, 2019
- ♦ Nov. 13, 2019
- ♦ Feb. 26, 2020
- ♦ April 15, 2020



WOODSTOCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Calendar Updates

- ♦ 4/11 Kindergarten Screener
- ♦ 4/11 Stevie B's Spirit Night
- ♦ 4/12 Grades 3-5 Milestones Dance (Relay For Life Fundraiser)
- ♦ 4/13 Academic Bowl Competition
- ♦ 4/17 School Board Visit to WES
- ♦ 4/26 Relay for Life at ET Booth
- ♦ 4/15-4/30—Ga Milestones Testing Window

Staff Updates

Hannah Easterwood - 1st grade
Price Spinnenweber - 1st grade
Virginia Bland - 2nd grade
Meredith Hager - 3rd grade
Maria Londono - Art Teacher
Kelsey Francen - Special Ed. Parapro
Jason Earwood - PE teacher

Student Registration

New student registration for the 2019-20 school year is now available online for all students in grades K-5. Parents are able to complete paperwork and upload documents from home or work. Kindergarten screenings will take place the week of May 6 -10, **by appointment only**. Please speak with Jennifer McInnis, School Registrar, to schedule your appointment.

Did You Know?

- * As of April 10, 2019, WES student enrollment is 1,173
- * Using iReady Math with fidelity directly correlates to success on the Georgia Milestones.
- * **\$7,758.63 raised for Relay for Life this school year.** Mrs. Megan Brown led the Relay for Life team and we appreciate everyone's efforts in fundraising for this worthy cause. Way to Go, WES!!!
- * Relay for Life will be April 26, 2019 at E.T. Booth Middle School.

Public Notice:

If you would like to review any of the documents shared at the School Council meeting, please contact Carla Page by email at carla.page@cherokeek12.net or by phone (770) 704-1320.