

The Longhorn Way

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Habit 4: Find Ways Everyone Can Win Our Food Services department is accepting donations to help students in need. Often at the end of the school year families struggling end the year with a negative lunch account balance. If you are interested in making a donation, please send cash or check to the cafeteria. Please include in the memo of the check and on the envelope, "Longhorn Lunch Bunch."

Next year will begin a new transition program called **WEB, Where Everyone Belongs**. This program structure uses 8th graders to create a successful transition experience for our incoming 6th graders. We know the transition to middle school is a significant event in the life of a young person and it can be challenging. 6th graders can experience lowered academic achievement and difficult social adjustments. WEB is a proactive way to ensure all students belong while also providing a leadership role for our 8th graders. Sounds like another WIN-WIN. **Current 7th grade students**, will have the opportunity to apply to become a WEB Leader. **Applications will be available April 13th** from their team teachers. Applications will be **due NO Later than April 20th** to the front office. Ask your 7th grade child about WEB, as they have already learned about the new program. We need 77 WEB Leaders for next year. More about the WEB program can be found at www.boomerangproject.com.

Parent University: On April 19, West Middle will hold our first Parent University. Our hope is to empower parents through information. We will have various presentations focused on technology, bullying, social media and vaping. Each session will provide information that every middle school parent should know. Attached is a flyer outlining the evening. Use this google form to sign up for the event: [Parent University Registration](#)

Parent Volunteer Opportunity: Mrs. Kortas-Peer is looking for local entrepreneurs and business owners to judge for our 8th grade business pitches on **Tuesday, April 10th**. Please email her if you are interested - lkortas@parkwayschools.net.

Cafeteria Charges: Friday, May 4, is the last day students may charge meals for the 2017-18 school year.

All District Middle School Mixer: The last All-District Middle School Mixer will be held on **Friday, April 13 at Parkway South High from 7:00pm to 9:30 pm**. Tickets can be purchased at the school store until **Thursday, April 12 for \$10** or at the door for \$15. Forms can be found outside your grade level counselor's office.

Community Events: CAPY (Chesterfield Alliance for Positive Youth) is hosting a Youth Basketball Skills event on Saturday, April 14. Students must register to participate. See the attached flyer for details.

Thanks for sharing your children.

~Annie

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, April 9: Intruder Drill 6th Hour
6th & 7th Grade Softball Tournament @ South High 3:30 pm

Tuesday, April 10: PTO Meeting WM Library 7:00 pm
All District Band Concert Missouri Baptist 7:00pm

Wednesday, April 11: LEAD Time
Author Ally Carter Visit - Library 1:00 pm
8th Grade Softball Tournament @ South High 3:30 pm
Board of Education Meeting @ Central Middle 7:00 pm

Thursday, April 12: Softball Tournament - Rain Date
Deadline to purchase advance Middle School Mixer Tickets

Friday, April 13: 7th Grade MOSAICS Field Trip - City Museum
All-District Middle School Mixer @ South High 7pm - 9:30pm

"They don't need perfect, they just need you."