

# The Longhorn Way

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I have worked in four middle schools across the state in my 20 plus years in education. West Middle by far has the best educators. Our educators work hard to inspire, educate and love your children. Summer workshops in the district are attended well by the West Middle Teachers. Our teachers are eager to learn more to perfect their craft and help students. Next week is teacher appreciation week. I ask that you take time to thank a teacher. Spend 5 minutes in your day to send a note, leave a voicemail, or write a handwritten note. You could also ask your child to do the same to one teacher that has made a difference in their life. We all need a positive message and the effects help the receiver and the giver.

Next week we will honor **our retiring staff** with an all staff celebration. The following educators will be starting a new season in their life and we wish them the best of luck:

Sara Doll - School Nurse

Debbie Hyatt-6th Grade Special Educator

Chris Lorenz - 8th Grade History

Elisa Mondschein-6th Grade ELA

Jeff Swartz-Grade Level Administrator

\*Stay tuned for the new hires at West Middle

Longhorn Day Permission Slips (all grades) are due by May 11th in the school store. Cash only accepted after May 7, 2018.

Course Verification Forms were mailed home this week. Please review your student's requested courses. This is not your student's actual schedule. Only if you notice an error, indicate the correction on the form, sign it and have it returned to your student's grade level counselor by May 11, 2018. If the form is correct keep it for your records.

**PTO: Jr. Longhorn Spirit Night** - Reward your student with a trip to Menchie's after the Spring Choir Concert on Thursday 5/10 and help support the PTO and our Jr. Longhorn Spirit Campaign at the same time! We'll see you there!

The last PTO meeting of the year is Tuesday, May 8th at 6:00 p.m. (earlier due to Spring Orchestra Concert). PTO will be voting on the 2018-2019 budget and grant requests.

Please turn in your boxtops before Friday, May 11, 2018.

Thanks for sharing your children.

~Annie

## *Mark Your Calendar*

May 4-5: One Act Plays, 7:00 p.m.

May 7-11 : Teacher Appreciation Week

May 8: Video Production Class Field Trip to KMOV

PTO Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Orchestra Spring Concert, 7:00 pm.

May 9: "Be The Light" Assembly 6th Grade 8:20 a.m.; 7th Grade 9:13 a.m.; 8th Grade 10:06 a.m.

Board of Education Meeting, Central Middle, 7:00 p.m.

May 10: Choir Spring Concert, 7:00 p.m.

Jr. Longhorn Spirit Night, Menchie's, 4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

May 11: Longhorn Day Permission Slip due in the school store

Course Verification Forms due only if corrections needed

May 11-12: 8th grade Orchestra/Band Branson Trip

*A Teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops.*