

West Running Brook Middle School

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FRIDAY FOCUS

It was excellent to meet so many of you at our *Welcome Back Night* this week. As I shared that evening, face-time matters. Communication between home and school is such a benefit to students and so it is clearly advantageous to know our partners. If you were unable to attend, the three (3) tenets I stressed, things that are on my mind each day I walk into the building, were the safety of your children, their academic growth (that they learn), and the importance of how they feel about school and the correlation that exists to learning. Kids who feel good learn more. These three pieces are my focus.

As students left our building Thursday for early release, the staff engaged in professional development specific to their role. Our unified arts teachers continue to build competencies in their content areas and our core academic teachers met as a whole group (24) to continue to develop WIN (What I Need), the time period in the day that we deliver interventions to all students.

For you football and music fans, the WRB 7th and 8th grade bands are invited to play under the lights at halftime of the Pinkerton Academy football game on Friday, September 29th. That is a big deal for a middle schooler thinking forward to high school and the opportunities that await.

Be well,
Justin Krieger, Principal

A Few Upcoming Dates and Information of Interest

- Parent Portal - Today, all grade 6 students and students new to WRB were provided a letter outlining login access to Parent Portal, a web-based system designed to allow students, parents, and guardians to monitor individual academic progress. Access begins at 6 PM on Friday, September 15th.
- WRB PTSA Meeting: Wednesday, (9.20.17) 6:30-7:00 PM - The fiscal year budget will be an agenda item. Come to learn more about the PTSA and how you can support students and learning at WRB. You may find a membership form [here](#). Yankee Candle fundraiser begins on Friday, September 29th.
- Walk With West: Wednesday, (9.27.17) 2:00-4:00 PM - Our 8th annual 5K walk for our community sponsored by Kids Care Club is fast approaching. Students who walk raise a minimum of \$20 to go towards Walmart gift cards for Derry families, supporting the WRB Veterans Breakfast, and other needs raised by the community. Permission forms are required and will go out early next week.
- Athletics - Our fall athletic teams have begun their seasons. For those parents/guardians who have students participating, stay closely connected with your coach for practice and game schedules. Go Bears! Athletic options for students in the upcoming winter season will include: basketball and cheerleading. We will also be rolling out intramural sports, including volleyball, floor hockey, basketball, ultimate frisbee, and soccer. Look for those start times and schedules through your Advisory.
- Clubs - Clubs are ready to begin launching. Look for information in Advisory about the following opportunities over the course of the school year or contact our office to be connected to the club advisor:

Kids Care	Ski/Snowboard	Select Choir	Drama	Art
Oratorical	Young Inventors	Experiment of the Month	National Junior Honor Society	Writing
Travel	Yearbook	Homework	Robotics	Scrabble
Computer/Coding	Jazz Band	Junior Solar Sprint	1st Grade Buddies	