

West Running Brook Middle School

Friday Focus

From Mrs. Saucier, Principal
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Friday, June 9, 2017

Reach for the STARS!

Friday Focus, *the Final Edition*

Dear Parents and Guardians,

In just a few days, I will be retiring after 26 years as an educator. I have enjoyed working at Derry Village School, Floyd School, Gilbert H. Hood Middle School, West Running Brook Middle School in Derry and the Woodbury School in Salem. There have been many changes since I first began teaching in September of 1976. One thing, for sure, hasn't changed: outstanding students, parents, and teachers! It's been 41 years since my first teaching job. I remember my very first day as a second grade teacher at Derry Village School. It really feels like yesterday. They say time flies when you're having fun! I can vouch for that!

I do look forward to my retirement when I can relax and spend quality time with Norm, my husband of 38 years, and my four fabulous children, Jamie, Jenn, Lauren and Scott and my grandkids, Joey, Lily, and Sebi. I am truly blessed. Life is good!

Justin Krieger will be your new principal. You will love him! He's kind, thoughtful and very professional.

Every week for the past 11 school years, I have published the Friday Focus. Today I submit my final edition. It has been a pleasure being the principal of such a great middle school. Parents, you have some pretty awesome children. Thank you for sharing them with me. Have a wonderful and safe summer vacation!

Leslie

Congratulations!



Hats off to West Running Brook's Class of 2017!
You have made us proud!
Best of luck in high school and beyond!

(Promotion June 16 at 3:30pm at Pinkerton's gym)

Junior Solar Sprint

Best of luck to our teams!

You have learned a lot and worked hard.

Don't forget to
READ this summer!

Dream Big
READ!

Did you know...?

Beginning in August, 2017, physicals will be required
annually
to play sports at West Running Brook Middle School.



Move Up Day is June 19!

The 1st day of school is August 30!

Get ready!
The Derry Middle Schools Annual Golf Tournament
Overlook Golf Club, Hollis, NH
Friday, August 11, 2017

Needed: Golfers, Volunteers, and Sponsors



Sponsored by the Gilbert H. Hood and West Running Brook PTSA

From Cathy Thomopoulos, School Nurse

Concussions and head injuries are commonly reported injuries in children and adolescents who participate in sports and other recreational activities.

According to the CDC each year hundreds of thousands of K-12 students sustain a concussion as a result of injuries from activities that may or may not be sports related. A concussion is a type of traumatic brain injury (TBI) that results from a bump, blow, or jolt to the head (or by a hit to the body) that causes the head and brain to move rapidly back and forth. This sudden movement can cause the brain to bounce around or twist in the skull, stretching and damaging the brain cells and creating chemical changes in the brain. Signs and symptoms of concussion generally show up soon after the injury. However, a concussion is an evolving injury. The full effect of the injury may not be noticeable at first and some symptoms may not show up for hours or days.

It is very important that if your child has been diagnosed with a concussion that you report this to the school nurse before his/ her return to school. We are mindful that the concussion may affect the student's ability to learn. Concussions affect people differently. Most students will have symptoms that last for a few days or a week and recover quickly and fully. A more serious concussion can last for weeks, months or even longer. We want to make sure that in the event of a concussion your child is supported and is able to maintain his/her academic responsibilities while recovering. Please be sure to keep us informed in the event this ever happens to your child.



Have a wonderful summer!



Congratulations to Mr. Justin Krieger, West Running Brook's new Principal!
He will officially begin on July 1, 2017!



I will be retiring on June 30.

West Running Brook's Goals 2016-2017

Reach for the STARS!

- S STUDY every night. Practice. Plan ahead. Read, read, read.
- T TRY to do your best every day! Achieve mental toughness!
- A ACHIEVE your goals! Write down your goals. Never stop trying.
- R RESPECT everyone, including yourself. Be considerate. Be sensitive.
- S SUCCEED with perseverance and grit. Never, ever give up!



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NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

The Derry Cooperative School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability in admission to, access to, treatment in, or employment in its programs and activities.

Any student, parent on behalf of their child, or employee who believes that he or she has a disability and thinks that accommodations are necessary to afford an equal opportunity for success, should contact their school Section 504 coordinator listed below for further information.

The following administrators have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:

Derry Village School	Christopher Hunt	432-1233
East Derry Elementary School	Andrew Chouinard	432-1260
Ernest P. Barka Elementary School	David Brown	434-2430
Grinnell Elementary School	Caroline Sindoni	432-1238
South Range School	Michelle Cremona	432-1219
Gilbert H. Hood Middle School	William Fox/Melissa Lantz	432-1224
West Running Brook Middle School	Lorrie Belinsky/Mitch Edwards	432-1250
District-Wide Coordinator	Lisa Long	432-1210

Inquiries concerning the application of nondiscrimination policies may also be referred to the Regional Director, Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, 5 Post Office Square, Eighth Floor, Boston. MA 02109 .

Eighth Grade Important Information

8th Grade

Eighth grade verification sheets for Pinkerton Academy were sent home in April

April 13	End of the Year Letter mailed home.
April 13	Pinkerton Academy Course Verification to Middle Schools to be distributed to students
April 13	Next Charter School (Derry's Early Release Day) See Next Charter School in action! 12:00-3:00pm
May 10	Next Charter School Information Night for Parents and Students 6:30-7:30pm
June 13 (14)	Canobie Lake
June 15	Eighth Grade Dance 6:00-8:00pm
June 16	Breakfast 8:00; Awards 9:00; Promotion 3:30 at Pinkerton
August 8	Pinkerton Academy Freshmen Field Day
August 29	Pinkerton Academy Freshmen Orientation Day
August 29	Pinkerton Academy Freshmen Parents' Information Night
August 30	Pinkerton Academy Opening Day

Calendar

June 10	Jr. Solar Sprint Competition at GHH
June 12	Kona Ice for all students and staff! (Free!)
June 13 (14)	8th Grade Canobie Lake field trip (raindate)
June 15	8th Grade Dance 6:00-8:00pm
June 16	8th Grade Breakfast 8:00am; 8th Grade Awards 9:00am; Promotion at PA 3:30
June 19	Move Up Day; Last Day of School
June 20	First Day of Summer Vacation!
August 29	6th Grade Orientation ½ day
August 30	First Day of School!

Raise your hand if you think WRB's got the best kids!!

