June 4, 2021

Hello Wauwatosa Community,

Please find this week’s updates below.

**LGBTQ+ Pride Month**

Pride Month started as a tribute to those involved in the Stonewall Riots in New York in 1969 and today is celebrated globally. One goal of Pride Month is to achieve equal justice and equal opportunity for people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer/questioning (LGBTQ). To learn more about the history of Pride Month, please [click here](#).

Please also [click here](#) to access the MKE LGBT Community Center Resource Center, which is a one-stop-shop for valuable information including counseling programs, hotlines, clinics, support groups and more! We also encourage elementary students and their families to explore the following books, which are available at your elementary school library!

- **Celebrating Transgender & Non Binary Identities**
  - When Aidan Became a Big Brother by Kyle Lukoff
  - Jack (Not Jackie) by Erica Silverman
  - It Feels Good to Be Yourself: A Book About Gender Identity by Theresa Thorn
  - Call Me Tree: Llámame Árbol by Maya Christina Gonzalez

- **Celebrating Gender Expression**
  - Julián is a Mermaid by Jessica Love
  - The Boy and the Bindi by Vivek Shraya

- **Celebrating All Families**
  - One Family by George Shannon
  - And Tango Makes Three by Justin Richardson
  - My Footprints by Bao Phi
  - The Family Book by Todd Parr

- **Celebrating Pride Month: History & History Makers**
  - Pride: The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag by Rob Sanders
  - Queer There and Everywhere: 23 People Who Changed the World by Sarah Prager [available at Wauwatosa High School libraries]

The Wauwatosa School District is committed to further deepen our work to provide safe, welcoming, inclusive, affirming environments for LGBTQ+ staff, students, family members, and community members.
End of Year Procedures

Chromebooks
This year, with a few exceptions, students will be required to return their Chromebooks at the end of the school year. Details on the procedures for Chromebook returns for each school level/type can be found in this document. Please review this information closely. Additional reminders will be delivered directly from your school over the coming days and weeks.

Canvas Courses
Current Canvas courses will close on Friday, June 18 at 4:00pm. After this date students will no longer be able to access their current Canvas courses. Teachers will still be able to view, but not make changes, to their courses.

Semester 2 Report Cards
Semester 2 report cards will no longer be visible in Infinite Campus starting at 11:59 pm on Saturday, June 19. Please be sure to download and/or print off a personal copy for your records prior to the window closing. If a student/family needs a copy of the report card after the window has closed, please contact your school’s administrative assistant.

Underwood STEM (USTEM) Lottery
We currently have three openings in our 4th grade USTEM program and five openings in our 5th grade USTEM program for the 2021-22 school year. To fill these open seats, we will be holding a second lottery, beginning today. The lottery will close at 5 pm on Monday, June 14, 2021. We will conduct the lottery drawing on Tuesday, June 15, 2021. Following the drawing, any open seats will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

Please note that your child must currently be registered with the Wauwatosa School District to apply for this lottery. And remember, if your child enrolls in STEM classes in elementary school, they are automatically approved for our middle school STEM program!

Interested families must complete this form and return it to Debbie Hoppe at hoppede@wauwatosa.k12.wi.us.com no later than 5 pm on Monday, June 14. If you have any questions about the USTEM program, please contact Underwood Elementary School principal Jenny Keats at (414) 773-1710.

Summer School Registration + Tours
We will be offering self-guided tours of each Summer School site on Friday, June 18 from 8 am - 12 pm. Families will have the opportunity to walk through the building and locate their child's classrooms, but teaching staff will not be present.

Please remember to register for Summer School before courses begin on June 21. In-person registration will be allowed during the first week of classes only, but families will need to wait outside the building for their turn to be brought inside and complete registration.

Summer Reading Suggestions for Secondary Students
Summer is the perfect time to grab a good book! Please click here for a list of suggested summer reading for middle and high school students. Additional suggestions for high school students can be found here. Both Wauwatosa East and West libraries will be open this summer from 8 am - 4 pm. Books can also be found at the Wauwatosa Public Library!

Have a wonderful weekend!
-Wauwatosa School District