

Westwood Public Schools

Superintendent's Update

September 8, 2022

Extended School Year

The Student Services Department completed another BIG ESY program

- Over 125 students
- Across 20 programs
- Two locations (WHS/TMS @WHS/Preschool and Downey)
- Over 80 staff
- 4/6/7/8 weeks of programming

This ESY completed our COVID response/compensatory plan and we will resume more typical ESY structures for Summer 2023.

General Education Summer Programming

The District ran summer academic support programming for general education students identified through assessment data:

- K-5 elementary reading and math (“Jumpstart” - combined with fun enrichment activities)
- Middle school reading and math
- Transition to high school support
- HS credit recovery in ELA and math
- SIPP

New Student Orientations

HOW TO OPEN YOUR LOCKER

1. Turn the dial 3 times to the **RIGHT**, **STOP** when the **1st number** lines up with the indicator.



2. Turn the dial to the **LEFT**, **STOP** when the **1st number** lines up with the indicator.



3. Turn the dial to the **RIGHT**, **STOP** when the **3rd number** lines up with the indicator.



4. Lift handle and pull the door open.

Maggie Locker Visit Planner

Look at your schedule and consider what classes are close to each other and which are close to your locker. When will you visit your locker? What will you take with you to ensure you are on time to all of your classes? Turn this sheet inside your locker as a reference!

Time	Materials You Need to Take
Before Homeroom	- Chromebook - Binder - Water bottle
Before W.I.N	- Book - Chromebook
After WIN	Exploring Cells - Chromebook - Binder
Before lunch	- Snack
After lunch	- Chromebook - Binder - Water bottle



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Standing, left to right:
Alex Mansour
Sienna Horn
Bohan Yang
Holden Williamson
Dylan Mullen
Ali Tariq

Kneeing, left to right:
Vivienne Woodard
Kat Schroeder
Nicole Bagdasarian
Sophia Bertrand

Orientations for new parents, too!



WHS Parent/Caretaker Orientation

Tuesday, September 6th, 2022
6:00 PM
WHS Little Theatre

Tonight's Agenda

1. Meet the Administration Team
 - To Whom to Turn
2. Logistics
 - School Hours, Schedule Rotation & S Block
 - Attendance/Tardy Policy
 - Aspen
3. Programmatic Highlights
 - Academics
 - Culture
 - Discipline
 - Student Supports
4. School Safety
 - Emergency Protocol
 - Technology Use
 - School Drop-off, Pick-up & Parking
5. Community Supports: PTO, ANGP, SEPAC, WYFS
6. Questions?

Admin Team: Your Point People!



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Elementary METCO Expansion



Westwood team Welcomes
new Boston Families at
METCO Inc Headquarters in
Boston with Milly Arbaje
Thomas, CEO



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On left: Westwood Welcomes Boston Resident Students

We have Welcomed 32 Boston resident students and their families at Hanlon across Kindergarten - 5th grade.

On right: Candace Bass, Elementary Coordinator Welcomes Deerfield and Hanlon community at "CommUnity Night" 2022



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METCO in Westwood

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EVENTS

Westwood Welcome Club Back-To-School Event

The Hanlon and Thurston Welcome Clubs invite you to a back-to-school event at Hale Education! Meet and get to know other Boston and Westwood Welcome Club families, and play some fun games and activities led by Hale staff. Water and popsicles will be provided. We will not have access to the pond for swimming.

Sunday, September 11, 2022
4-6pm
Hale Education, 80 Carby Street

[RSVP HERE](#)

Safety and Security Protocol Changes

- Staff photos and IDs
- Visitor protocols
- Revised emergency protocols and training materials
- “Blue light” system installation at TMS (similar to WHS)
- Reunification plan
- Targeted equipment and technology upgrades (e.g. cameras)

Updated COVID Protocols for Schools

- Masks are not required (except in health offices), though students and staff are still welcome to mask
- There is no longer a testing program
- WPS no longer has a COVID team
- DESE/DPH no longer requires any contact tracing or reporting of case data
- Families in need of COVID consultation should contact the Westwood Public Health Department.
- Students and staff should follow current public health guidance:
 - Stay home if symptomatic
 - Quarantine for five (5) days and wear a mask for an additional five (5) days upon return to school.
 - Masking not required if individual tests negative on Day 5 or later.