



Stallion Pride

The Williamsburg Academy Newsletter

FEBRUARY 4, 2010



Tuesday
2/9/2010

Wonderland Circus

Thursday
2/11/2010

Ice Cream Day
Bring 50 cents

Wednesday
2/13/10

Stallion Pride
Clean Up Day

Wednesday
2/17/10

State Spelling Bee @ WA

Thursday
2/18/2010

Pileau Dinners

Wednesday
2/24/10

Science Fair Awards
6:30 PM

Friday– Monday
2/26/10 - 3/1/10

Winter Break
No School

Friday
3/5/2010

Oyster Roast

Friday
3/12/2010

Stallion Auction

Juniors Receive Class Rings



Straight From the Horse's Mouth...

I hope this finds you well! As we enter the midway point of the third nine weeks, it continues to be a very exciting time for Williamsburg Academy. Our seniors are beginning to commit to various colleges and universities, underclassmen are gearing up to take their spring SAT, Student Mapping for rising 8th – 12th grade students will begin within the next week, and **REENROLLMENT!**

In an effort to begin the scheduling process for next year and for college planning, the WA Administration will be introducing the concept of **Student Mapping** for rising 8th – 12th graders. This will involve individual parent conferences with each student and their parents where we will review the following:

The student's schedule for the 2010 – 2011 school year
Aspirations for college!

A "map" of what classes will be needed/required for specific colleges

Review of both the LIFE & HOPE SC State Scholarship

Review of student's performance through the 3rd 9 Weeks for 2009 – 2010

Conference should average ~ 15 minutes

Parents please review the following schedule and please email Ms. Valerie Webster to schedule your appointment. vwebster@williamsburgacademy.com

February 15 – 19:

Rising 9th & 10th Graders

March 2 – 5:

Rising 11th Graders

March 8 – 12:

Rising 8th Graders

April 5 – 9:

Rising 12th Graders

As previously mentioned, **REENROLLMENT** for the 2010 – 2011 school year is swiftly approaching. All parent reenrollment packets will be mailed out on Monday, February 15th. Please watch for these in the mail!

Most importantly, as you receive your packet you will need to review your previous information and check it for accuracy. **YOU WILL NOT NEED TO COME IN!!** Please either snail mail your reenrollment deposit and reenrollment information back to the school or send it to Ms. Liz via your child. Hopefully, this will eliminate any long lines and be much more convenient for our families. If you have any questions regarding student mapping or reenrollment, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

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SCISA Spelling Bee Winners



Congratulations to Tina Zheng and Brenna Welch. These young ladies won at the SCISA Regional Spelling Bee and will be representing WA at the State Spelling Bee on February 17th.



Terrific Kids and Outstanding Students



Back Row:

Third Grade- Madison Floyd
Fourth Grade- Paul Amann
Fifth Grade- Ann Louise Williamson
Second Grade- Catherine Boyd

Front Row:

4K- Sydnee Floyd
5K- Gill Brown
First Grade- Brooke Wall



Fourth Grade Scientists

Mrs. Kathy McCullough's fourth grade class enjoyed a trip to the science lab. Students experimented with sugar, salt, and baking soda and observed how each reacted with iodine and vinegar.



NJHS and NHS Sell Valentine Treats

The National Junior Honor Society will be selling carnations for Valentine's Day and the National Honor Society will be selling Kiss-O-Grams. Parents can order carnations for their children for \$2 and Kiss-O-Grams for 50 cents. Society members will be coming by homerooms each morning until February 10th to take orders. An order form was sent home by email. Please send this back if you would like to place an order.

WA Helps Children of Haiti



WA students have come up with several creative ways to help earthquake victims in Haiti. The Interact Club held a Hat Day and collected money for the Red Cross. The Junior Beta Club will be selling Ice Cream on February 11th to collect money as well. Also, WA donated used textbooks for schools in Haiti. These were collected by the Greater Bethel AME Church last week. Several sixth grade boys helped to load them up for delivery.



Students Enjoy Waterfowl Presentation



Third, fourth, and fifth grade students enjoyed a presentation by Mr. Matt Baxley from Camp Woodie. Mr. Baxley brought live ducks as well as stuffed ducks to show the students. He talked about the different types of ducks and demonstrated duck calls.



Student Tickets- \$3

Adult Tickets- \$4

Please send \$3 for your child's ticket to school.

Adult tickets may be purchased by sending money and a note to your child's homeroom teacher.

Guidance News

Please continue to check Homework Hero for updated guidance information.

Join My Group? Check Yes or No!

Everybody wants to belong! Most of us enjoy being a part of a group of friends who have interests similar to our own. For example, if you like horses, talking about horses, coloring pictures of horses, and reading books about horses bonds you and your friends together. Maybe you like sports. Your group of friends would enjoy going to games together, watching sports on TV, or maybe collecting baseball cards. It is great to have a group of friends who enjoy the same hobbies you do.

Sometimes groups that look like a group of friends may actually include bullying. If one member or a chosen few members are telling the others what to wear, where to sit, and who to call a friend, this is a form of bullying.

There are two sides to this problem. The person who appointed herself or himself "leader" of the group does not have the right to boss or bully the other members of the group. The "members" have the right to make their own decisions about how they dress, where they sit, and whom they choose as their friends. Remember, there are always more members than leaders so stand up for yourself and make your own decisions.

Several teachers and parents have expressed concern about The Clique and The A-List series of books that are popular with pre-teens. I encourage parents to read these books and make your own decisions about the appropriateness of the novels for your child.

Library News

A total of 1323 AR tests have been taken since January 11th. WOW!! A **Bingo Bash** will be held Friday, February 5th for 25 third-fifth graders and another party will be held on Monday, February 8th for 23 first and second graders.

W.A. Development Oyster Roast

The Williamsburg Academy Development Foundation will hold its annual Oyster Roast on Friday, March 5th at Tony Williamson's Lodge. The fun begins at 7:00 pm. We will have live music, plus chili and appetizers for those who don't enjoy oysters. Tickets are \$25 each in advance and \$30 at the door. If you purchase your ticket in advance you will be entered into a drawing for \$100.

If you would like to purchase your tickets in advance, you may get them from any Development Foundation member, or you can return this form **with payment** and your tickets will be sent to you. Checks can be made out to WA Development. Thank you for your support.

Name _____ Child's Name _____ Grade _____

Number of tickets _____ x \$25 = _____

Stallion Auction- March 12th 7:00 PM

The Williamsburg Academy Governing Board, PTO, Booster Club, and Development Foundation are planning the **Third Annual Stallion Auction**. Mark your calendars for **March 12th**, because this is a night you will not want to miss! Dinner will be served from 7:00-8:00. Items will be ready for viewing at 6:30. The Live Auction will begin at 8:00. Tickets (in advance) are \$15 for adults and \$5 for students.

Please return this form with your money and your tickets will be sent to you. Make sure to purchase tickets for grandparents and friends as well! Tickets include admission to the Auction and Pileau Dinner.

Tickets purchased in advance will be entered into a drawing for a special prize.

Tickets purchased at the door will be \$5 more per person- so get yours in advance!

We are asking for parents, grandparents and friends to donate items for the auction such as a stay at a family vacation home, items from a family business, college football tickets or time and talent. Please take a moment to think about your talents and hobbies. What could you donate? (Lessons in art, piano, voice, golf, tennis, cooking, computer, swimming, horseback riding- the list is endless.) You or your teenager may consider donating time for babysitting, yard work, car washing, etc.

Parent's Name _____

Child's Name _____ Grade _____

_____ Adult Tickets x \$15 each = \$ _____

_____ Student Tickets x \$5 each= \$ _____

Total \$ _____

_____ Yes, I would like to donate the following item(s) for the Stallion Auction.