

# **EAGLE NEWS**

**December 16, 2022** 

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



West Deptford High School is proud to announce that our **Governor Teacher** of the Year for the 2022-23 school year is Ms. Lindsay Freedman. There are a handful of teachers who spend every minute of their day – duty, prep, lunch, and after-school time – with their students, and Ms. Freedman is one of those teachers. She works hard to ensure that her students know she is there to "teach" them no matter what that takes. She fully understands how every child learns differently and takes that extra time to work with them – according to the way in which they need – in order to "get through" and create opportunities for success and growth. She is a published Mathematics author, an adjunct professor at Rowan, and also currently serving as our Safe Space Advisor. Thank you, Ms. Freedman, for all you contributed to the field, and congratulations on behalf of the administration and staff at West Deptford High School.



West Deptford High School is proud to announce that our **Educational Service Provider of the Year for the 2022-23 school year is Mrs. April Sanford.** In addition to being the Student Assistance Counselor, she is the Anti-Bullying Specialist,

Advisor for our Friends of Rachel Club, a member of the School Climate team, as well as the Attendance Committee. She also runs group counseling sessions for all of our new students. April not only immerses herself in professional development to ensure she is the BEST she can be while wearing all of these hats, but she also remembers to take the time to share these strategies with her colleagues, students, and parents alike. She is an amazing listener and facilitator of conversation, always ensuring that all parties' voices are equally heard and that all possible alternatives and solutions to a problem are explored. Thank you, Mrs. Sanford, for all you contribute to the field and congratulations on behalf of the administration and staff at West Deptford High School.



#### **HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD**

Las Posadas - Dec 16th - Dec 24th

Place of Celebration - Mexico and some parts of the United States

**The Reason For Celebration** – To mark the journey of Mary and Joseph when they were in search of safe shelter.

A part of Christmas celebrations and the December global holidays, Las

Posadas acknowledges the plightful journey of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Joseph. It has been believed that Mary and Joseph were searching for a shelter where she could bring Jesus to life, but no one let them in. The shelter was founded after a long struggle, and Las Posadas is celebrated to cherish that moment of hospitality. Today, this is one of the important December global festivities, which is typically celebrated by friends and families who cheerfully go from one house to another, singing traditional songs while seeking shelter. The people who live in the houses typically offer them food and drinks.

- Kelly A Clark, Acting Principal

Las Posadas

#### WDHS WINTER ART SHOW

Enhance your Holiday Spirit by coming out and supporting the West Deptford High School's Visual and Performing Arts Department on Tuesday, December 20, 2022.



#### **WDHS WINTER SPIRIT WEEK**

Our **Winter Spirit Week** is upon us! The theme days below start Monday, 12/19, and go through Friday, 12/23. Please remind your students of these days; the more, the merrier!



### **GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS & NOTES**

JUNIORS: NJ Governor's School Program - These are tuition-free, residential summer programs for high-achieving high school juniors who have an interest in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) subjects. There will be two programs offered this summer: the Governor's School in the Sciences at Drew University and the Governor's School of Engineering & Technology at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. Interested students must see Mrs. Quindlen by Monday, December 19.

#### SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS: PSAT Scores are now available through the Collegeboard website.

Directions on how to access scores, interpret the results, and plan for the future were given out to students. Any questions should be directed to your child's school counselor.

# IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR SENIORS

• Seniors who plan to apply to 4-year colleges should be wrapping up their applications at this point. Students and parents are reminded that all transcripts must be requested in Naviance and cannot be sent UNLESS you have a signed transcript release form on file.

Seniors who wish to have transcripts sent out before the winter break

MUST make this request **no later than Monday, December 19**. Requests submitted after this date will be processed in January.

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- Seniors are encouraged to start exploring scholarship opportunities. As we
  receive scholarship information, we will post it under the scholarship tab in
  Naviance. Students can then link directly to the application.
- Scholarship Spotlight: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. is offering \$800 scholarships to female students of color based on academic achievement, extracurricular involvement, character, leadership, and service. Interested students can find more info on Naviance via this link: https://gloucesterzetas.org/scholarships
- Check out <u>www.fastweb.coom</u> for numerous other scholarship opportunities.

#### 2-Year Community College Applicants – DEADLINE APPROACHING!

- RCSJ's priority admission application can be found here: RCSJ Application
- Interested students should apply prior to winter break.
- Over 100 scholarships specific to RCSJ can be found on their website.

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#### **FAFSA**:



Families who have not yet submitted their FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) should do so asap, as funds are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Many financial aid resources, as well as FAFSA tips and a detailed How-To video, can be found in the Guidance Goggle Classroom for Seniors. Ask your senior to show you!

# Earn College Credits for Eligible High School Classes

Students in eligible WDHS courses can apply to earn college credits for these courses. Registration info has been emailed out to eligible students and families. The deadline to sign up has been extended through early February. If you have any questions, please contact your guidance counselor.



#### **Parent Information Session on Dual Credit:**

Don Delaney from CCC will host a zoom info session on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 7</u>, <u>from 6:15 pm - 7 pm</u> to discuss how dual credit works and how to register. Please use the link below to participate:

https://camdencc-edu.zoom.us/j/92350835013?pwd=SGZ4ajA5dU53eXRtK044WS9zUjlLZz09

# AN INVITATION TO PREPARE FOR THE **2023** SAT

Please click the link below to get started.

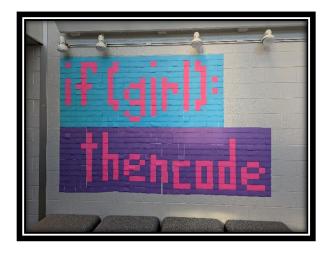
**2023 SAT FLYER** 



#### WDHS GIRLS WHO CODE

The **Girls Who Code Club** celebrated **Computer Science Education Week** by completing our second annual Pixel Art project, completing one of the logos for the national club with Post-It notes on the wall in the media center!





# ACADEMIC CHALLENGE



#### **Academic Challenge NEEDS YOU!**

The WDHS Academic Challenge team competes against local schools in a Quiz Bowl type competition. We need more students of various backgrounds to help cover the many types of questions that are asked at these competitions. We meet on **Thursdays in room 23** and **compete** in **January and February**.

If interested, see Mrs. Pence in room 23 and **join the remind** by texting @joinwdac to 81010.

#### YEARBOOK ORDERS - ON SALE NOW

Order your 2022-23 yearbook for \$90 through November 18. Senior Vanity and corporate ads can also be purchased through January 9, 2023. To buy, access <u>Jostensyearbooks.com</u> today!

Offer	Price	Start - End Dates
Campaign 2	\$90.00	11/18/2022 - 12/16/2022
Last Chance Personalization	\$95.00	12/17/2022 - 1/27/2023
Limited Supply	\$100.00	1/28/2023 - 6/2/2023

ON SALE NOW!

Additional purchases can be made for: Personalization: \$10 Icons: \$5 Signature Package: \$17

**Clear protective cover, Autograph Section, Photo Pockets**: \$5

Senior Ads:

END DATE - 1/9/23 FULL PAGE: \$275 HALF PAGE: \$150

**QUARTER PAGE: \$80. EIGHTH PAGE: \$45** 

# **KEY CLUB**

# KEY CLUB SHORTI-HOAGIE VOUCHERS

COST PER VOUCHER:\$5.00 (Retail value of \$6.28)

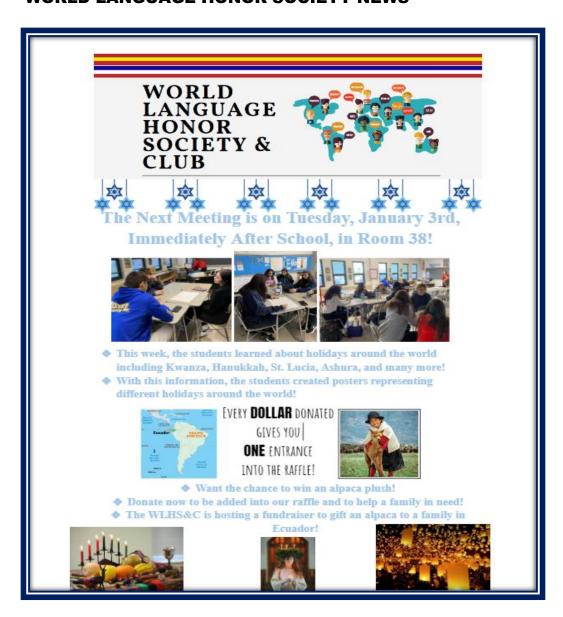
They are accepted at all Wawa locations & never expire!

They are available for pick up at WDHS.

To order: email kyeager@wdeptford.k12.nj.us



# **WORLD LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETY NEWS**



#### MARKETING DEPARTMENT NEWS

# **JOB OPENINGS**



There are numerous jobs available and also posted outside Room 9 for students. See Mr. Drummond if interested. To get updates on current job openings, email Mr. Drummond at mdrummond@wdeptford.k12.nj.us.

## **AMAZON SCHOLARSHIP AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

# Apply Now: \$40k Scholarship + Paid Internship at Amazon

# Student Application Deadline: January 20, 2023

The Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship/Internship Program will provide selected high school seniors with a **\$40,000 scholarship** and a **paid summer internship** at Amazon following their freshman year of college, guaranteed.

Students do not need to be computer science superstars to apply. Amazon is seeking a wide range of voices and students, and they're <u>reserving spots specifically for Project STEM</u> <u>students</u>. Note: Please remind students to select "Yes, I am (or have taken) a Project STEM course" in their application.

Learn more about eligibility requirements and encourage your students to apply. Applications are open through **January 20, 2023, at 3 pm CST.** 

#### **Find Out More**

### **New Career Explorations Lessons Now Available**

Empower your high school seniors to apply for this amazing opportunity with a unique sequence of lessons <u>now available in your courses</u>. There's something for everyone - from your 9th graders to your 12th graders.

Note: This exciting lesson sequence includes interviews with recent high school graduates, Amazon scholarship recipients, and interns and culminates in the writing of a personal statement that can be used to support applications to this and other student aid programs.

#### **Lesson Previews**







# **Lesson 1: Why This Matters**

Students will explore how computer science impacts seemingly non-technical careers and explore a range of possible careers.

<u>Lesson slides</u> | <u>Lesson plan</u>

#### Lesson 2: It Could Be Me

Students will consider their postsecondary plans, including college, possibly for the first time.

<u>Lesson slides</u> | <u>Lesson plan</u>

# **Lesson 3: Tell Your Story**

Students will reflect on their identity and unique experiences and begin writing their own personal statement.

<u>Lesson slides</u> | <u>Lesson plan</u>

Find each lesson at the end of Units 0, 1, and 2 or grouped together at the end of your Project STEM Canvas course's Modules page.

<u>Learn more</u> about this incredible opportunity. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email us at <a href="mailto:support@projectstem.org">support@projectstem.org</a>.