

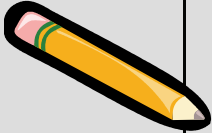


# Watervliet Elementary School News and Notes

NEWSLETTER DATE: SEPTEMBER 2011

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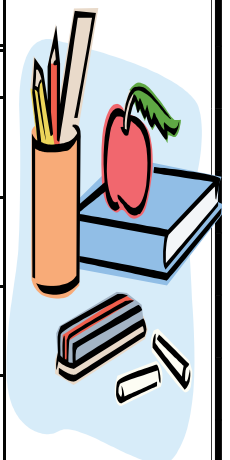
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## SEPTEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7 First Day of School! PTA Mtg. 6:30	8	9	10 
11	12	13	14 Meet the Teacher Night LIPK-K- 6 PM Gr. 1 & 2- 7PM	15 Meet the Teacher Night Gr. 3 & 4- 6 PM Gr. 5 & 6- 7PM	16 School Pictures Constitution Day	17
18	19	20 BOE Mtg 7pm WHS	21 PTA Mtg 6:30pm WES	22	23 PTA Fund-raiser Begins PTA Movie	24
25	26 Afterschool Clubs Begin	27 	28	29 Half Day 11:30am dismissal	30	

## SEPTEMBER LUNCH MENU:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		7 Chicken Patty	8 French Toast Sticks w/ Turkey Sausage	9 Turkey Club Wrap
12 Hamburger	13 Italian Mix Sub	14 Toasted Cheese	15 Loaded Nachos	16 Cheese Pizza
19 Chicken Nuggets	20 Steakum on a roll	21 Chicken Quesadilla	22 Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce	23 Pepperoni Pizza
26 Hot Dog on a roll	27 Sloppy Joe on a bun	28 Mac N' Cheese	29 1/2 Day- Bag Lunch Only	30 Cheese Pizza



# MENU

Breakfast Cost: \$1.25  
Lunch Cost \$2.00

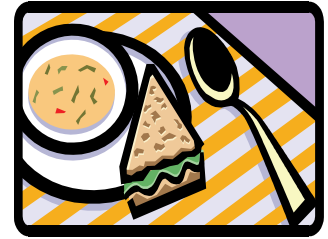
Meals may be prepaid for the week or month in the cafeteria between the hours of 8 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

Checks are to be made payable to the Watervliet School Cafeteria. Parents may also pay through the online system, [www.mynutrikids.com](http://www.mynutrikids.com) Information is on the school website. [www.watervlietcityschools.org](http://www.watervlietcityschools.org) Food service link or "What's For Lunch" icon

CAFETERIA MANAGER:

MR. DARRYL WHITED

629-3261



## WCSD

Student Breakfast is available daily, and includes:

Choice of milk, 1%, low fat chocolate

Choice of fresh fruit **or** juice

Choice of sunflower seeds - honey or salted

Choice of bread item - cereal, mini-muffins, multi-grain pop tart or wheat bagel

(muffins, graham cracker, & bagel count as 2 items)

## SEPTEMBER HOT LUNCH SPECIAL OF THE DAY MENU

9/7	Chicken Patty	9/22	Spaghetti w/ Meat sauce
9/8	French Toast Sticks w/ Turkey Sausage	9/23	Pepperoni Pizza
9/9	Turkey Club Wrap	9/26	Hot Dog
9/12	Hamburger	9/27	Sloppy Joe
9/13	Italian Mix	9/28	Mac N' Cheese
9/14	Toasted Cheese	9/29	1/2 day Bag Lunch Only
9/15	Loaded Nachos	9/30	Cheese Pizza
9/16	Cheese Pizza		
9/19	Chicken Nuggets		
9/20	Steakum on a roll		
9/21	Chicken Quesadilla		

**Students are entitled to 5 items (from different food groups) but must take at least 3 to qualify for a full hot lunch .**

The Deli Bar is open each day with choice of Sandwich **in place of** the Hot Lunch Special of the Day

### Examples of student lunch choice:

- chicken patty on bun, milk, hot vegetables, fresh fruit.
- Deli sandwich, milk, fruit juice, cold vegetables.

## HOME-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Keeping in contact with your child's teacher is very important to success in our school.

We have several tools to help keep you connected:

- **The Agenda:** Gr. 1—6 students receive our daily planner. All classroom teachers will have students list their homework each night and record important information that you need to know about. Make checking it each night with your child part of your regular routine. You can also use the Agenda to write notes to the teacher. You will learn more about how teachers use them at the Meet The Teacher Nights.
- **“Go Home” Folders:** All students will receive a Jr. Cannoneer Folder. Teachers use the folders to send home forms, tests, homework papers, etc. Please check the folder each time it comes home and then use it to return papers to school.
- **District Website:** Our website [www.watervlietcityschools.org](http://www.watervlietcityschools.org) has up to date information about district and building news and events. Save it to your favorites.
- **SNN:** Please enroll for the SNN news alerts. Up to the minute bulletins will come directly to your e-mail and as a text alert. Sign up @ <https://snn.neric.org/watervliet/index.cfm> or find the link SNN on the district home page.
- **Classroom Websites:** Many teachers have live classroom websites with specific news about your child's school experience. The links can be found on our elementary home page on the district site.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Required Forms:** We are sending home all the required forms in the Go Home folder the first week of school. Many sheets will have important information we need about your child. Please be sure to send them back by the due date.  
  
Pink Data Form: (Student data sheet—be sure to enter all information on both sides of the form), Code of Conduct, Emergency Release form, and Use of Technology form
- **Student Dismissal:** As a matter of safety, we cannot take changes to dismissal over the phone. We also cannot release a child to anyone not listed on the back of the student registration form.
- **School Pictures:** Are scheduled for Friday, September 16th. Forms will go home the 1st week.
- **Early Dismissal:** All students will be dismissed at 11:30am on September 29th. Teachers will be attending professional development on that day. Lunch will be served.
- **Meet the Teacher Night:** Mark your calendars for an important evening at WES!

September 14th: 6:00 PM Gr. UPK– KDG                      7:00 PM Gr. 1-2

September 15th: 6:00 PM Gr. 3-4                              7:00 PM Gr. 5-6

## WES WELCOME!

This year we have a few new faces at WES. We welcome the following to our school:

**Ms. Schilling:** 3-5 Special Education

**Ms. McGrath:** Special Education, Gr. 2

**Mrs. Preston:** Art Teacher

**Ms. Novotarski:** K-12 Librarian

**Ms. Albanese, Ms. Gorman, Ms. Sogioian ,**

**Ms. Gregware:** Teacher Assistants

**Mrs. DelSignore:** Cafeteria Monitor

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Afterschool clubs will begin on Monday September 26th. The permission slip will be sent home on Monday, September 12th.

All forms must be returned by Friday, the 16th. Because there is limited space, students may not be able to participate in all clubs of their choice. We will be unable to accept forms after the deadline.

After School buses run an express run transportation route. The stops differ from the regular pm routes. Please review the club form for stop listings.

## FROM THE PTA

The first **PTA meeting** will be held on September 7th @ 6:30pm in the WES Café.

**PTA Membership:** Support your PTA by joining our organization. Your membership fee goes directly to our programs here @WES.

**Fall Fundraiser:** Begins Sept. 23rd. Watch for information to come home. PTA Movie Night—Family movie night on Fri. September 23rd. Details TBA.

## FREE & REDUCED LUNCH

If your child has received a free or reduced lunch in the past, please note that it is only available until September 30th. To continue receiving a free or reduced lunch, you must reapply by filing out an application. You may retrieve the application on the school website

(<http://watervlietcityschools.org/>) or complete the application that will be coming home in folders.



## FROM THE NURSE

All children entering Kindergarten, 2nd, and 4th grade as well as any students new to our school will need to have a physical. If you cannot have one done, a physical will be done by our school doctor.

Medications should be brought to school by a parent or guardian directly to the nurse's office. Please do not send them in with your child.

Please call the Health Office at 629-3402 with any questions.

Sue Vogel, RN

## FROM THE ATTENDANCE OFFICE:

IF YOUR CHILD IS ILL OR WILL NOT BE ATTENDING SCHOOL, PLEASE CALL MRS. DANIELS AT 629-3214. WHEN YOUR CHILD RETURNS, PLEASE SEND IN A NOTE AS TO WHY THEY WERE ABSENT. THANK YOU!

## WATERVLIET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BANKING PROGRAM



This year Watervliet Elementary School will be working alongside of CapCom to provide a banking program for its students. Each week a bank teller station will be set up in the main lobby for students to make monetary deposits to their individual accounts. Our school banking program will be run by Mrs. Diane Tambolloe, parent volunteer. Information on this program will be coming home with your child. You may also pick up information at our Meet the Teacher Nights on September 14 & 15th. Please note our previous school banking program was offered through First Niagara Bank. They have discontinued this service to all schools. Cap Com has the ability to roll over the First Niagara account to your child's newly established Cap Com account. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mrs. Tambolloe at (518) 272-6413.



### SOME EXAMPLES OF PROGRAMS CAP COM MAY BE OFFERING

#### Great Grades:

Bring in your child's report card and we'll deposit \$10 into his or her account! Your child can earn a total of \$40 every year (\$10 per quarter) for submitting a report card each quarter until they graduate from high school.



#### Reading Programs:

During winter and summer months, children can earn up to \$15 for reading up to five books (\$3 per book). That's \$30 per year! Our Reading Programs run twice per year and are a great way to get kids to read and save some money for college!

#### CertifiKID:

Stash your child's savings in a CertifiKID\*! Your child's money will grow faster than in a regular savings account and you can add money at any time!



## ELMER'S GLUE CREW RECYCLING PROGRAM

This year Mrs. Webster's Fourth Grade Class will take part in the Elmer's Glue Crew Recycling Program. It is a fun, hands-on way to teach about recycling.

There be several collection boxes located throughout the school for students but those at home can participate too. Collect your Elmer's Washable School Glue and Glue-All bottles. Clean the empty glue bottles and glue sticks the best you can with warm water (This is a great task for your students), and return to any collection box. The Fourth Grade is very excited that we can make a difference and look forward to your help in doing so!



## SCHOOL VISITORS POLICY & PROCEDURES

The next phase in the district safety plan for Watervliet Elementary School is the addition of an air phone and buzzer system at the main entrance doorway.

### **What does this mean for visitors to the building?**

There will be a buzzer at the front doorway. The front doors will be locked until the assistant at the desk electronically opens the door for you. When you arrive to the door and activate the buzzer, the assistant will ask you your name and destination. Once inside the building, you will follow the same procedures of signing in, leaving collateral, and then going to the main office to check in.

Please note that these changes have solely been put in place to better ensure the safety of our students at WES! If you have any questions regarding the safety policy, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 629-3201.



Thank you for working with us as partners in your child's safety.