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Hello West Park Elementary Families!

We hope everyone had a great week!

Thank you to all of the parents and guardians who came to our Parent Action Team meeting. We have exciting plans ahead! The next PAT meeting is Monday, October 3 from 6:00pm-7:00pm in the WPE gym. We hope to see you there!

Our Wildcats did a great job adapting to the many indoor recess sessions we had this week. Our protocol is to keep students inside if the air quality is 150 or above. Hopefully we are coming to the end of smoke season!

Please see below for upcoming dates and details.

Vandal Golden Ticket

- We sent home a FREE TICKET to this week's Vandal Football game on Saturday, September 17.
- Any student with the ticket can enter the game for free with a paid adult.
- Go Vandals!

Empowering Parents Grant for Idaho Families

- Empowering Parents is a state of Idaho program funded by federal Coronavirus Relief funds.
- It provides Idaho school aged students access to funds that can be used to purchase educational goods and services, directly controlled by families.
- If you are a parent or guardian of an Idaho student(s) you can apply for these funds.
- Eligible families can:
 - o Receive a credit for \$1000 per child up to \$3000 per family to be used on the Primary Class online marketplace.
 - o Once the account is created and eligibility verified, monies are deposited into a digital wallet and are available to be spent over a 24-month period.
 - o Eligible purchases include computers and technology, paying for internet, instructional materials, fees for courses, tutoring services, educational services, and therapies through approved vendors in the online marketplace.
- The application window is now open.
- Learn more and apply at empoweringparents.idaho.gov
- Please refer to the document below for next steps.

Wednesday, September 21 – Community Chat with the Superintendent – 7:00pm

- Come join Superintendent Dr. Bailey and other district administration as we discuss important district happenings.
- The zoom link can be found on this website: <https://www.ms281.org/>

Friday, September 23 – Elementary Night at MHS Football – 7:00pm

- This is a great night for our elementary students to come support MHS Football!
- Tickets were passed out by teachers for each student to get in free!
- A free t-shirt will be available for the first 175 to arrive.
- There is a mini cheer clinic starting at 6:30pm for any child who wants to participate.

Monday, October 3 – Parent Action Team Meeting – 6:00pm-7:00pm

- Come join our Parent Action Team as we discuss and plan exciting events for our Wildcats and staff!
- The meeting is from 6:00pm-7:00pm in the WPE gym.

Wednesday, October 5 – Walk to School Day

- Families are encouraged to walk to school on this date!
- More details coming soon.

Thursday, October 6 & Friday, October 7 – No School

- There will be no school on these dates due to teacher professional development.
- Enjoy the extended weekend!

Tuesday, October 11 – Picture Day!

- This will be the date for our individual student pictures.
- More details and order forms will be sent home closer to the date.

Communication

- Please be sure to check out our Facebook page and school website for regular updates!
- <https://www.facebook.com/West-Park-Elementary-School-1673846729595032>
- <https://westpark.ms281.org/>

Please know you can reach out at any time with questions.

Go Wildcats!

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