

Jan. 11, 2019

B Day

For Students (read in the morning over our PA system)



Sign-ups for Volleyball and Wrestling have begun. If you are interested in participating, sign up in the main office and pick up any necessary paperwork. Remember that you must have an up to date physical and pay the \$10.00 ASB fee.

For Parents:

When dropping off and picking up students, please refrain from using Halleck Street 8:15 – 9:15 am and 3:15 – 4:15 pm. In addition, the Bellingham Municipal Court has asked that parents not use their lot for picking up students after school.

In 7th grade Basketball news:

Whatcom team 1 got off to a slow start and spent nearly the whole game behind Fairhaven MS, but an aggressive full court press led by Chase Bartlett, and big free throws from Mathias Johnson got Whatcom within striking range. A huge rebound and put back by Ethan Le tied the game with five seconds left. Whatcom was too much for Fairhaven to handle in overtime and ended up winning by five.

Whatcom team 3 also got off to a slow start in a low scoring match up with Fairhaven. Ben Kakebeeke had a number of great box outs and rebounds that led to extra possessions, and Jake Troost played great team defense to limit Fairhaven's scoring opportunities. A late game full court press led to a number of scoring opportunities for Max Than to help Whatcom get to a comfortable lead. Whatcom team 3 finished the regular season undefeated.

A slow start was the theme of the night for Whatcom, team 2 struggled to get good shots and when they did get a good shot, it seemed there was a lid on the hoop. The late game efforts of Julien Czopp, Daniel Robbins, and Chris Jolly got Whatcom within four points by the time the final buzzer went off.

The Whatcom Boys 8th grade basketball teams traveled to Fairhaven last night winning 2 very competitive games to talented Fairhaven squads.

In game #1, Whatcom #1 trailing by 5 pts at the half, came out in the 2nd half to hold Fairhaven scoreless for the first 6 min and slowly pulled away. Henry Sheldrup , Josh Ulrich & Olin Johnson controlled the boards. Sheldrup scored 13 pts to lead the Wildcats followed by Cade Morris, Bryan Sheedy, Zander Sledge with 5 pts each. With the win, Team #1 finished league play with a perfect 6 win record and secured the #1 seed in next week's tourney.

In game #2, Whatcom #4 led from start to finish, winning 26-17. Caiden Revey led the charge with 7 points followed by Peter Tario & Kyler Carr and Sam Mallet with 5 pts each. Carter Dawson and Mason Meyers played great defense. Luke Akers & Shay Blum rebounded the backboards to give Whatcom extra shots. With the win, Team #4 finished league play with a 5 win,1 loss record and heads into next week's tourney.

Two hard fought wins last night. Great job fellas!

When students need to leave school early...

SEND A SIGNED NOTE with them the day they need to leave early. Students take the note to the attendance window first thing in the morning in exchange for a "permission to leave" slip. This slip is shown to the teacher and your student leaves the premises at your specified time to meet you outside at your prearranged location. You do not need to come in.

Or EMAIL: If you send an email to Linda.Erickson@bellingshamschools.org to release your student, your student must pick up their pass to leave from the attendance window. This eliminates the need to interrupt classes in search of a student.

Or CALL: If you call to arrange a pick up, you will need to come to the attendance window and sign out your student.

Bus Passes:

Requests for bus passes must be submitted in the morning. Any requests after school will be denied. Students must bring a signed note from parent/guardian to the attendance window before school starts. Mrs. Erickson will write out a bus pass which can be picked up later in the day.

Please remember to not drive in front of the school in the morning. Because there are many students walking back and forth across the road, the road is closed to all traffic except school buses and emergency vehicles.

Do you think you might volunteer at WMS this year? Volunteers need to register at a least one week prior to service and this year there is a new online registration system (No more paper packets!). Go to the Bellingham School District website/Jobs to register or click on this link:

<https://bellingshamschoolsvolunteers.hrmlplus.net/>

Students are expected to turn their cell phones off and not use them during the school day.

Please call the office if you need to contact your student. We will have your student return your call as soon as possible. Phones will be confiscated if a student is seen using it during school hours. A parent or guardian will then need to come in and sign for the phone. Thank you for your cooperation.

[Be sure to check out our newsletter on the WMS Website for more information!](#)