

Westside Christian Wave Weekly

May 12

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Save the date...May 22

For families with students in kindergarten through 8th grade...

As announced in last week's Wave, we ask that you make plans to stop by Westside on May 22. On this day, you will:

- **NEWLY ADDED:** Return your team uniform (e.g., basketball), if you still have one at home.
- Return Chromebooks and power cords (if borrowed).
- Return books and other materials that belong to the school.
- Turn in any final school work.
- Return key/card fobs (only if your student is not returning next school year).

In return, we will:

- Give back any remaining school supplies and/or items from your student's desk.
- Distribute yearbooks to families who ordered them.
- Issue our kindergarten students a certificate of completion.
- Present our 8th grade students with their diplomas.

We will run this day the same way we did at the end of March, with a drive-up for the exchange of materials at the front entrance. We have staggered pick-up by last name as follows:



A - D..... 8:00 - 9:30
E - G & I - K..... 9:30 - 11:00
L - R..... 11:00 - 12:30
T - Z..... 12:30 - 2:00
H & S..... 2:00 - 3:30

PROCESS CHANGE

In keeping with government guidelines for the closure of school classrooms for the summer, we have created a process for Westside families to follow on May 22. Please note, if you have a family member who is ill, we ask that you not participate in material drop off and pick up. Instead, please notify us and send a replacement such as a neighbor or friend. If that is not possible, we can arrange another option.

1. Place all items to be returned in a plastic bag, and put it in the trunk of your vehicle. If your vehicle does not have a trunk, place the bag in the furthest position away from you that allows for outside access.
2. A staff member will meet your vehicle at the main entrance to our building. Simply pop your vehicle's trunk and a staff members will remove the bag with items to return, and deposit the items that are going home with you. You will not need to get out of the car or come into the building for any reason.

Staff members will wear gloves and masks. We will clean and disinfect tables and other equipment used in the drop off.

We continue to hope and pray that we will be able to come together as a family sometime this summer.

Spotlighting our 8th grade students on Facebook

Have you visited our Facebook page (@WCSMiddleton) recently? Each weekday in May, we are featuring a different 8th grade student. Please consider leaving a comment on each post to encourage these hard working and dedicated Westside graduates.



Enroll now for the Elective Music Program

"Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him...Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music" (Psalm 98:1,4).

We are going to use SignUpGenius to register for the 2020-21 Elective Music Program. Please read the Parent Letter (attached) carefully before enrolling your student for lessons.

Click [HERE](#) to enroll.

There are a limited number of openings available in each program so be sure to enroll in the program early!

Some highlights from the letter include:

- Band, guitar, and voice start in 4th grade, but piano starts as early as 4K.
- Students in grades 5 - 8 are REQUIRED to sign up for at least one music elective.
- Handchimes is an option for middle school students only.
- Enrollment is required and considered a contract for the full school year.

For our current Pre-K3 families excited about Kiddy Keys in 4K, you will have the opportunity to enroll during Preschool Orientation and at the start of the school year.



EMP parent letter 2020-21.pdf

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166.0 KB

Join our team of amazing teachers!

Preschool Teacher

WCS is looking for a qualified preschool teacher who would be interested in being a lead teacher a minimum of 2 days a week. Ideal candidates would be a WELS member, have preschool experience, and Elem. Ed. degree or have taken early childhood certification classes. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more, contact [Principal Meredith Pucci](#).



Spanish Teacher

Westside Christian School is looking for a Spanish teacher beginning next school year. This part-time position would include teaching two sections of Spanish, 2-3 days a week. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more, please reach out to Principal Meredith Pucci.

Martin Luther College assignment service

We have submitted a request for an assignment of a graduate from Martin Luther College (MLC) to serve as a Middle School English Language Arts Teacher. We have provided MLC with detailed information about the ministry position, as well as information about our congregation and school. The WELS Conference of Presidents and advisers from MLC are meeting this week to assign all teacher candidates.

This year is obviously an unusual one for college graduation, therefore instead of an in person Commencement service, it will be held online. If you'd like to view the reading of the assignments, you can tune in on Saturday May 16, at 11:30 PM, at this [link](#). Thank you for joining us in prayer for God's blessings on the ministry of all those who are graduating in a few days and will be sent out to serve in our congregation. We pray that the needs of our school will also be met through his process.

Special Needs Scholarships for 2020-2021

Westside Christian School will be participating in the Special Needs Scholarship Program (SNSP) beginning in the 2020-2021 school year. This program allows a student with a disability to receive a scholarship to attend our school. The scholarship is able to cover some of the services for the student (e.g., speech therapy, occupational therapy) and will typically cover the cost of tuition as well.

Any current students who have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or a services plan could be eligible. Unlike the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program, eligibility is not based on a family's income. We will be working with Aspire Therapy to provide services to students in our school, as needed.

Let us know if you believe your child may qualify or know another family who would like the benefit of Christian education but haven't been able to attend in the past. Family enrollment for this program begins July 1. Seats are limited and scholarships are awarded on a first come, first served basis. Each application is looked at individually to determine whether or not we are able to meet all of the needs of the student applying. If you have questions or would like to learn more, please reach out to [Principal Meredith Pucci](#).

Thursday is the application deadline for WPCP and financial aid

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, DPI extended the deadline to submit an application and complete the application process for the WPCP to May 14, 2020. Completion of the process includes your submission of certain documents to Westside. We need to have received all required documents from you no later than this Thursday, May 14.

To be in line with this new deadline, Westside has also extended the deadline for financial aid applications. The economic impact of COVID-19 is significant, and we understand that your income from last year may not be a true picture of our financial situation for the coming school year. Our financial aid process allows families to submit a written letter to help us better understand each family's unique situation.

Contact [Meredith Pucci](#) ASAP if you have questions about either program.

LORD, THANK YOU
FOR CHRISTIAN
TEACHERS WHO
SHARE YOUR WORD
WITH CHILDREN.



Last week was not a typical Teacher Appreciation Week at Westside, but we made it work. On your behalf, Friends of Westside delivered care packages to our teachers and classroom aids (see photo to the left).

All Westside parents and students join in saying **THANK YOU** for your hard work and dedication and for the love, support, and grace you've shown our students this school year and especially during this unprecedented time of virtual learning. But most of all, we want to thank you for sharing Jesus and modeling his love for us to the children of Westside.

(A big shout-out to Carrie Kornstad for the time and effort she put into making this happen.)



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Our mission is to prepare students for academic success and lives of Christian service through a curriculum and total school program founded on the Word of God.

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