

The Week At WHMS
(parent edition)
 Week of June 6, 2022



Thought for the week:

“It’s best to spend zero time on what you could have done and all of your time on what you might do.”

– Shane Parrish

Weekly Calendar:

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Sat/Sun</u>
6/6	6/7	6/8	6/9	6/10	6/11-6/12
Day 2	Day 1	Day 2	Day 1	Day 2	
All day – NYS Science 8 exam (see memo from Mr. Cangemi for schedule)	3:00p – Faculty meeting 7:30p – Board of Education budget meeting	1:15p – PST meeting Club Meets: Dignity & Tolerance 6:30p – SEPTA meeting @ Chestnut	3:00p – Schools-to-Watch committee meeting Club Meets: Chess Club; Student Council	8:45a – RTI meeting 6:30p – 8 th Grade Dance	
3:00p – Teaming committee					

Instructional tips: (from *Edutopia*)

A Visual “article” this week

Tips for planning great lessons

Ask yourself, how will I:

- Plan this lesson so students must **think** not just mimic
- Plan for **productive struggle**
- Include time for students to **talk, share strategies, and learn from each other**
- **Ask questions** requiring students to **reason**
- **Check for understanding** in real time

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For full article see: n/a

Items of importance:

- The school budget will be put up to a second vote on Tuesday, June 21st so that we can avoid a contingency budget and the significant cuts to programs, services, and staffing that would require. If you need to register to vote, call the district clerk at 516-390-3107.
- The *Digital Equity Survey* has been posted to our website at: <https://www.whufsd.com/article/722387>. Parents who completed the survey earlier this year do not need to complete it again. We ask that all families take the time to submit feedback. Thank you!
- As we enter the warmer weather season, I want to remind families of our established dress code as stated in the student handbook. Specifically:
 - o Tops should completely cover the torso.
 - o Shorts and skirts may be worn at an appropriate length when standing.
 - o Any illustrations or slogans on clothing should be appropriate for an educational setting.
 - o Footwear must be safe and appropriate for navigating the school. Items such as flip-flops, sandals, and "Crocs" are not safe and not allowed.
- We have resumed outdoor line-up in the mornings. Students will need to remain outside until 7:45 unless they are getting breakfast or attending extra help. Thank you for understanding.
- **Have you downloaded the West Hempstead App yet?** It is available in the App Store and Google Play, just search "West Hempstead." This will let you keep track of everything happening in our school and access documents such as this "Week @ WHMS" newsletter.
- *Let me know when you have exciting learning taking place that I can tweet out and be sure to tag @WH_MSRAMS if you tweet yourself*

Items of interest:

- Our club calendar is available on the website at: <https://www.whufsd.com/o/whms/browse/221769>. Students should listen to AM announcements for the most up-to-date information about meeting dates and locations.
- The **extra help schedule** can be found at: https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/asset/uploaded_file/1553808/Extra-Help_Schedule_MS_21-22.pdf. Students should take advantage of teachers' availability to do their best work.
- The Homework Center is open after school on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. See details below:

Homework Center Information: 21-22

Homework Center is open 2:45-3:45 on the following days

<u>Day</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Monday	Ms. Elezi	257	Support available for any subject, or just a quiet place to work after school.
Wednesday	Ms. Geiger	17	
Thursday	Ms. Rogan	16	

"COVID Corner" Information:

- **Please send your child to school with a refillable water bottle.** Our water fountains are "COVID-safe" and only the water bottle filler function is available.
- ESPECIALLY in light of the reduced mask use, I cannot say how vital it is that **if your child, or anyone in your home, feels sick, your child MUST REMAIN HOME FROM SCHOOL.** Call the nurse or Mr. Murray for advice on when it is okay to return to school.

Looking ahead: LAST FULL WEEK OF SCHOOL

Monday, June 13: *Day 1*

- PTSA meeting, 7:30pm @ HS VCR

Tuesday, June 14: *Day 2*

- Department meetings, 3:00pm
- Board of Education Meeting, 7:30pm @ HS VCR

Wednesday, June 15: *Day 1*

- **Living Environment Regents, 12:00pm**
 - o **LE students report to WHMS @ 11:15am** to prepare
 - o Teachers will escort students to HS to take Regents
- PST meeting, 1:15pm

Thursday, June 16: *Day 2*

- **Algebra I Regents, 8:15am**
 - o **Algebra students report to WHMS @ 7:30am** to prepare
 - o Teachers will escort students to HS to take Regents

Friday, June 17: *Day 1*

- RTI meeting, 8:45am

LOOKING AHEAD – June 21st
School Budget Re-vote @ WHMS Gym