



WEST HEMPSTEAD

UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2021-2022 Calendar & Directory



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THE WEST HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The legal name of this School District is the West Hempstead Union Free School District. The boundaries of the District have been set under state law by the State of New York. The State Education Department maintains a close check on standards and what has legally become part of state law through the mandates of our legislature. The state allows a local Board of Education to set whatever additional policies may be deemed necessary for the proper function of the District's schools. The Board is comprised of seven public-spirited citizens who maintain residences within the District and who serve without any financial compensation in the best interests of their community. Board members are elected to office for terms of three years, and once a year the members of the Board elect a President and Vice President to preside over their meetings.

The District maintains a Kindergarten Center, two elementary schools, a middle school and a high school. The total school population as of June 2021, including Island Park High School students, was approximately 1,700.

Address: West Hempstead Union Free School District
252 Chestnut Street
West Hempstead, New York 11552

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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President
Karen Brohm
2019-2022
516-483-0556

Vice President
Patricia Greaves
2019-2022
646-247-5666

Gavriel Hoffman
2019-2022
917-207-6110

Joseph Magaraci
2020-2023
516-749-7391

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2021-2024
516-551-6560

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2021-2024
516-565-4305

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2020-2023
516-489-9895

BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS FOR THE 2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR ARE POSTED UNDER THE BOARD TAB ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE AT WWW.WHUFSD.COM.

MISSION STATEMENT

The West Hempstead Union Free School District recognizes the unique value of each student. It is dedicated to the success of each student based on the highest standards of excellence in education. Each student will be challenged to achieve mastery in all subject areas in an educational atmosphere that strives to build positive self-esteem, mutual respect for others, and a lifelong quest for learning.

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent of Schools 516-390-3107 Daniel Rehman
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction 516-390-3119 Dina Reilly
Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations 516-390-3103 Joel Press

DISTRICT PERSONNEL

District Clerk Theresa Bryant
District Medical Inspector Eric Shoenfeld, MD
Board Counsel Gregory J. Guercio, Esq.
District Treasurer James Igoe
Supervisor of School Facilities and Operations William Dworsak
Director of Technological Services Vincent Fleck
Transportation Gina Gandolfo
Textbook Information Marie Ponsot

BUILDING PRINCIPALS

Chestnut Street School
252 Chestnut Street
School Hours: 8:40 AM – 2:50 PM
Faith Tripp, Principal
516-390-3150
Fax: 516-390-3152

Cornwell Avenue Elementary
250 Cornwell Avenue
School Hours: 9:05 AM – 3:20 PM
Deanna Sinito, Principal
516-390-3140
Fax: 516-489-0365

George Washington Intermediate
347 William Street
School Hours: 8:55 AM – 3:10 PM
Michelle Notti, Principal
516-390-3130
Fax: 516-489-0068

Middle School
450 Nassau Boulevard
School Hours: 7:55 AM – 2:40 PM
Sean Murray, Principal
516-390-3160
Fax: 516-489-8946

High School
400 Nassau Boulevard
School Hours: 7:55 AM – 2:40 PM
Joseph Pumo, Interim Principal
516-390-3218
Fax: 516-489-1769

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE DO NOT PROVIDE SUPERVISION FOR CHILDREN UNTIL 15 MINUTES BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE SESSION.

School Calendar for the School Year

September 1, 2021 through June 24, 2022

Month	Day	Event
August	30-31	Superintendent's Conference Days – Teachers Only
September	1	SCHOOLS OPEN
September	6, 7, 8	Schools Closed
September	16	Schools Closed
October	11	Schools Closed
November	1	Districtwide Parent-Teacher Conference Day/Schools Closed for Students
November	2	Schools Closed
November	11	Schools Closed
November	25-26	Schools Closed
November	29	SCHOOLS REOPEN
December	24-31	Schools Closed
January	3	SCHOOLS REOPEN
January	17	Schools Closed
February	21-25	Winter Recess/Schools Closed
February	28	SCHOOLS REOPEN
April	14-22	Schools Closed
April	25	SCHOOLS REOPEN
May	27 & 30	Schools Closed
June	20	Schools Closed
June	24	Last Day of School - Students/Teachers

Additional modifications will be made to the calendar due to the total number of lost days of instruction because of weather or emergency closings and the NYSED June 2022 Regents Examination Period Schedule. All instructional days will be restored to the calendar. The following days will be utilized: May 27, April 22, April 21 and April 20.

A NOTE TO PARENTS

This calendar of school events has been especially prepared for parents and community residents in the West Hempstead School District. All persons connected with our schools will find the information herein helpful. A strong partnership between parents and the schools is an important part of the quality of a child's education. When parents and schools work together toward common goals and when parents and schools expect and enforce common standards of behavior and excellence, children learn and grow.

CONTINUING REGISTRATION

West Hempstead has continuing registration for school elections and votes. Residents may register daily in the District Clerk's Office, 252 Chestnut Street. Hours are 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM, excluding the lunch hour (12:00-1:00 PM).

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

The Board holds regular meetings, all of which are open to the public according to the following schedule. The letter "B" indicates a Business Meeting, the letter "P" a Policy Meeting and "WK" is a Work Session.

Sept. 14	- B	Mar. 15	- B/Ed. Presentation
Oct. 5	- P/WK	Mar. 22	- B/Ed. Budget Meeting, if needed
Oct. 19	- B/Recognition	Apr. 12	- B/Ed. B/Adoption of Budget/BOCES Budget and Candidate Vote
Nov. 16	- B/Ed. Presentation	May 3	- Budget Hearing/B
Dec. 7	- P/WK	May 17	- Budget Vote/Annual Meeting/Trustee Election
Dec. 21	- B	June 21	- B
Jan. 18	- B/Ed. Presentation	July 5	- B/Reorganization
Feb. 1	- P/WK Session	Aug. 16	- B
Feb. 15	- B/Ed. Presentation		
Mar. 1	- Budget WK Non-Instructional Items		
Mar. 8	- Budget WK Instructional Items		

The Board may, from time to time, schedule education and/or additional policy meetings for the purpose of considering and publicly discussing educational and/or policy matters and procedures. Residents attending the meetings have an opportunity to address the Board. The Board of Education and the school administration welcome comments from parents and residents.

LEGAL NOTICE NEWSPAPERS

The School Board has designated Newsday, the Oceanside/Island Park Herald, the Patch, Richner Publications (Herald), The New York Times, the Three Village Times and Noticias as official papers for the publication of legal notices concerning the District.

The West Hempstead Union Free School District does not discriminate on the basis of a person's actual or perceived race, color, religion, religious practice, sex, sexual orientation, ethnic group, national origin, creed, disability, gender, including gender identity and expression, in its educational programs or employment practices. Contact either the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations or the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction for questions related to compliance with Title IX. The District Administrator assigned to insure our compliance with Section 504 regulations is Bridget Karis, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, who may be contacted in writing at West Hempstead High School, 400 Nassau Blvd., West Hempstead, NY 11552 or by telephone, 516-390-3242.

The following administrators have been appointed as Dignity For All Students Act (DASA) coordinators:

Dina Reilly, Assistant Superintendent – 516-390-3119
 Joseph Pumo, Interim Principal, High School – 516-390-3218
 Sean Murray, Principal, Middle School – 516-390-3160
 Deanna Sinito, Principal, Cornwell Avenue – 516-390-3140
 Michelle Notti, Principal, George Washington – 516-390-3130
 Faith Tripp, Principal, Chestnut Street – 516-390-3150

AUGUST 2021

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SEPTEMBER 2021

OCTOBER 2021

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<div>Day 1</div> <div>1</div> <div>First Day of School</div>	<div>Day 2</div> <div>2</div>	<div>Day 3</div> <div>3</div> <div>October SAT Registration Deadline</div>	<div>4</div>
5	6	7	8	<div>Day 4</div> <div>9</div> <div>6:00 PM ENL Parent Workshop - CS</div> <div>6:30 PM Chestnut Street Back-to-School Night</div> <div>MS Fall Sports Begin: Football, Cheerleading, Boys'/Girls' Soccer, Cross Country</div>	<div>Day 5</div> <div>10</div> <div>HS Picture Make-Up Day for Seniors</div>	11
SCHOOLS CLOSED			HS Underclassmen and Staff Picture Day			ACT EXAM
12	<div>Day 6</div> <div>13</div> <div>6:00 PM ENL Parent Workshop - GW</div> <div>6:30 PM GW Back-to-School Night</div>	<div>Day 1</div> <div>14</div> <div>7:30 PM Board of Education Business Meeting</div> <div>HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 2</div> <div>15</div>	<div>16</div> <div>SCHOOLS CLOSED</div>	<div>Day 3</div> <div>17</div> <div>October ACT Registration Deadline</div>	18
19	<div>Day 4</div> <div>20</div> <div>6:30 PM ENL Parent Workshop - MS</div> <div>7:00 PM MS Back-to-School Night</div>	<div>Day 5</div> <div>21</div> <div>6:00 PM ENL Parent Workshop - Cornwell</div> <div>6:30 PM CA Back to School Night</div>	<div>Day 6</div> <div>22</div> <div>7:30 PM PTSA Meeting</div> <div>HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 1</div> <div>23</div> <div>6:30 PM ENL Parent Workshop - HS</div> <div>6:30 PM College Information Night for Grade 12 Students/Parents</div> <div>HS Auditorium</div> <div>7:00 PM High School Back-to-School Night</div>	<div>Day 2</div> <div>24</div> <div>HS Pep Rally</div> <div>MS Picture Day</div> <div>2:00 PM PTA Welcome Tea at Chestnut</div>	25
26	<div>Day 3</div> <div>27</div> <div>7:00 PM Mandatory Open Campus Meeting for Grade 12 Students/Parents</div> <div>HS Auditorium</div> <div>7:30 PM PTA Meeting</div> <div>GW Cafeteria</div>	<div>Day 4</div> <div>28</div>	<div>Day 5</div> <div>29</div> <div>7:30 PM SEPTA Meeting</div> <div>CA STELLAR Room</div>	<div>Day 6</div> <div>30</div>		

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OCTOBER 2021

NOVEMBER 2021

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					Day 1 1 MS Picture Day Teams/Clubs	2 SAT EXAM
3	Day 2 4	Day 3 5	Day 4 6	Day 5 7	Day 6 8	9
		7:30 PM Board of Education Policy Meeting/Work Session HSVideo Conference Room		November SAT Registration Deadline 7:00 PM College Financial Aid Night - HS	HS/MS Interim Reports Viewable on PowerSchool	
10	11	Day 1 12	Day 2 13	Day 3 14	Day 4 15	16
	SCHOOLS CLOSED	Fall Photos CS/CA/GW	8:00 AM SAT for Seniors Only			
17	Day 5 18	Day 6 19	Day 1 20	Day 2 21	Day 3 22	23
	7:30 PM PTSA Meeting HSVideo Conference Room	7:30 PM Board of Education Business Meeting/Board Recognition HSVideo Conference Room			CA Fall Festival	HOMEcoming ACT EXAM
24	Day 4 25	Day 5 26	Day 6 27	Day 1 28	Day 2 29	30
		8:00 AM Grade 11 PSAT			9:15 AM Chestnut Street Parade 1:45 PM GW Parade 2:15 PM CA Parade MS Dance	
31	7:30 PM PTA Meeting GW Cafeteria	CA Fall Festival (Rain Date)	Chestnut Street Fall Festival	Chestnut Street Fall Festival (Rain Date)	HS Underclassmen/Staff Picture Make-Up Day	
RED RIBBON WEEK – “DRUG FREE LOOKS LIKE ME”						






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NOVEMBER 2021

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR STUDENTS DISTRICTWIDE Parent-Teacher Conferences 8:30 AM-2:30 PM 5:30 PM-9:00 PM	2 SCHOOLS CLOSED	3 Day 3 7:30 PM SEPTA Meeting CA STELLAR Room	4 Day 4	5 Day 5 Emergency Management Plan Early Dismissal and Safety Drill End of Quarter I December ACT and SAT Registration Deadline	6 SAT EXAM
7 Daylight Saving Time Ends	8 Day 6 MS Winter I Sports Season Begins: Boys' Basketball, Girls' Volleyball, Winter Track	9 Day 1	10 Day 2 AMC 10/12 Competition	11 SCHOOLS CLOSED	12 Day 3 HS/MS Q1 Report Cards Viewable on PowerSchool	13
14 Day 4 HS Winter Sports Begin: Boys'/Girls' Basketball, Boys'/Girls' Winter Track, Boys'/Girls' Bowling, Competitive Cheerleading 7:30 PM PTSA Meeting HS Video Conference Room	15 Day 5 7:30 PM Board of Education Business Meeting and Educational Presentation HS Video Conference Room	16 Day 6	17 Day 1	18 Day 2 7:00 PM MS DRAMA PRODUCTION HS AUDITORIUM	19	20
21	22 Day 3	23 Day 4	24 Day 5 HS/MS ENL Thanksgiving Luncheon	25 SCHOOLS CLOSED	26 SCHOOLS CLOSED	27
28	29 Day 6 7:30 PM PTA Meeting GW Cafeteria	30 Day 1 				

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DECEMBER 2021

JANUARY 2022

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JANUARY 2022

FEBRUARY 2022

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			7:30 PM PTSA Meeting HSVideo Conference Room		February ACT Registration Deadline	
9	Day 6 10	Day 1 11	Day 2 12	Day 3 13	Day 4 14	15
	7:30 PM PTA/PTSA/SEPTA Joint Meeting HSVideo Conference Room		7:30 PM SEPTA Meeting CA STELLAR Room	7:00 PM HS/MS STEMposium		
16	17	Day 5 18	Day 6 19	Day 1 20	Day 2 21	22
	SCHOOLS CLOSED	6:00 PM Chestnut Street Parent University 7:30 PM Board of Education Business and Educational Presentation HSVideo Conference Room MS Winter Sports II Season Begins: Boys' Volleyball, Girls' Basketball				
		Pre-Kindergarten Registration Week at Chestnut Street School 1/18-1/21				
23	Day 3 24	Day 4 25	Day 5 26	Day 6 27	Day 1 28	29
30	Day 2 31				End of Quarter 2 and Semester I	
	7:30 PM PTA Meeting GW Cafeteria	NYS REGENTS EXAMS - MIDTERM EXAMS				






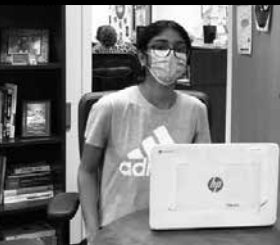

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FEBRUARY 2022

MARCH 2022						
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<div>Day 3 1</div> <div>7:30 PM Board of Education Policy Meeting/Work Session HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 4 2</div>	<div>Day 5 3</div> <div>7:00 PM Grade 11 Student/Parent Guidance Night - HS</div>	<div>Day 6 4</div> <div>HS/MS Q2 Report Cards Viewable on PowerSchool</div>	<div>5</div>
6	Day 1 7	Day 2 8	Day 3 9	Day 4 10	Day 5 11	12
13	Day 6 14	<div>Day 1 15</div> <div>6:00 PM Chestnut Street Parent University (Make-Up Date)</div> <div>7:30 PM Board of Education Business Meeting and Educational Presentation HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 2 16</div> <div>7:30 PM PTSA Meeting HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 3 17</div> <div>7:00 PM PTA Social at Verdi's of Westbury</div>	<div>Day 4 18</div> <div>March SAT Registration Deadline</div>	<div>19</div> <div>ACT EXAM</div>
Kindergarten Registration Week 2/14-2/18						
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SCHOOLS CLOSED						
27	<div>Day 5 28</div> <div>7:30 PM PTA Meeting GW Cafeteria</div>					

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MARCH 2022

APRIL 2022

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<div>Day 6</div> 1 <div>7:30 PM Board of Education Budget Workshop: Overview and Non-Instructional Items HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 1</div> 2	<div>Day 2</div> 3	<div>Day 3</div> 4	5
	6	<div>Day 4</div> 7	<div>Day 5</div> 8 <div>7:30 PM Board of Education Budget Workshop: Instructional Items and Revenue HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 6</div> 9 <div>7:30 PM SEPTA Meeting CA STELLAR Room</div>	<div>Day 1</div> 10 <div>7:00 PM PTA/PTSA/SEPTA Reflections Ceremony MS Cafeteria</div>	<div>Day 2</div> 11
	Foreign Language Week					
13 Daylight Saving Time Begins	<div>Day 3</div> 14 <div>HS Spring Sports Begin: Boys'/Girls' Track, Boys'/Girls' Lacrosse, Baseball, Softball 7:30 PM PTSA Meeting HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 4</div> 15 <div>7:30 PM Board of Education Business Meeting and Educational Presentation HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 5</div> 16	<div>Day 6</div> 17	<div>Day 1</div> 18 <div>HS/MS Q3 Interim Reports Viewable on PowerSchool</div>	19
		7:00 PM High School Play – HS Auditorium				
20	<div>Day 2</div> 21	<div>Day 3</div> 22	<div>Day 4</div> 23	<div>Day 5</div> 24	<div>Day 6</div> 25	26
	HS Spring Sports Begin: Boys' Tennis, Girls' Badminton	7:30 PM Board of Education Budget Meeting (If Needed) HS Video Conference Room		7:00 PM PTSA Senior Prom Fashion Show HS Auditorium	Spring Photos CS/CA/GW	
27	<div>Day 1</div> 28 <div>MS Spring Sports Begin: Boys'/Girls' Lacrosse, Boys'/Girls' Track, Baseball, Softball 7:30 PM PTA Meeting GW Cafeteria</div>	<div>Day 2</div> 29	<div>Day 3</div> 30	<div>Day 4</div> 31		
	Gr. 3-8 NYS ELA Assessment (Makeups 4/1-4/8)					

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APRIL 2022

MAY 2022						
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<div>Day 5</div> <div>1</div> <div>HS Blood Drive</div>	<div>2</div> <div>ACT EXAM</div>
3	<div>Day 6</div> <div>4</div>	<div>Day 1</div> <div>5</div>	<div>Day 2</div> <div>6</div> <div>6:30-8:30 PM Family Literacy Night - HS Auditorium</div>	<div>Day 3</div> <div>7</div> <div>7:00 PM PTSA Social</div>	<div>Day 4</div> <div>8</div> <div>May SAT Registration Deadline</div>	9
10	<div>Day 5</div> <div>11</div> <div>7:00 PM National Honor Society, National STEM Honor Society, Tri-M, Art and World Language Honor Societies Induction Ceremonies - HS Auditorium</div> <div>NYSESLAT Speaking 4/11-5/20</div>	<div>Day 6</div> <div>12</div> <div>7:30 PM Board of Education Business Meeting/Adoption of Budget/BOCES Budget and Candidate Vote HS Video Conference Room</div>	<div>Day 1</div> <div>13</div> <div>7:30 PM PTSA Meeting HS Video Conference Room</div> <div>End of Quarter 3</div>	14	15	16
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	SCHOOLS CLOSED					
24	<div>Day 2</div> <div>25</div> <div>7:30 PM PTA Meeting GW Cafeteria</div>	<div>Day 3</div> <div>26</div>	<div>Day 4</div> <div>27</div>	<div>Day 5</div> <div>28</div>	<div>Day 6</div> <div>29</div> <div>7:00 PM HS Class Night</div> <div>HS/MS Q3 Report Cards Viewable on PowerSchool</div>	30
		Gr. 3-8 NYS Math Assessment (Makeups 4/29-5/9)				



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MAY 2022

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	Day 1 2	Day 2 3 8:00 AM AP Calculus Exam 7:30 PM Board of Education Budget Hearing and Business Meeting HSVideo Conference Room	Day 3 4 8:00 AM AP English Literature and Composition Exam 7:30 PM SEPTA Meeting CA STELLAR Room	Day 4 5 8:00 AM AP World History Exam 12:00 PM AP Physics Exam	Day 5 6 8:00 AM AP Biology Exam AP Studio Art Portfolio Due MS Spring Fling Dance June ACT Registration Deadline	7 SAT EXAM
8	Day 6 9 8:00 AM AP U.S. History Exam NYSESLAT Listening, Reading and Writing 5/9-5/20	Day 1 10 8:00 AM AP Spanish Exam 8:00 AM AP Capstone Seminar 7:30 PM PTA/PTSA/ SEPTA Candidates Forum HSVideo Conference Room	Day 2 11 8:00 AM AP English Language and Composition Exam	Day 3 12 8:00 AM AP Computer Science Exam 12:00 PM AP Environmental Science Exam 7:00 PM National Junior Honor Society Induction - HS Auditorium	Day 4 13 12:00 PM AP Statistics Exam	14
15	Day 5 16 7:30 PM PTSA Meeting HSVideo Conference Room	Day 6 17 Budget Vote/Annual Meeting/Trustee Election 7:00 AM-9:00 PM MS Gymnasium 7:00 PM MS Spring Concert District-Related Arts Show	Day 1 18 GW Spring Concert 6:00 PM - Gr. 4 & 5 7:30 PM - Gr. 6	Day 2 19 CA Spring Concert	Day 3 20	21
22	Day 4 23 6:00 PM Chestnut Street Incoming Kindergarten Parent Orientation 7:30 PM PTA Meeting CS Cafeteria	Day 5 24 7:00 PM HS Spring Concert - HS Auditorium	Day 6 25 6:00 PM Districtwide Family STEAM Night - HS	Day 1 26 CA Field Day/Carnival HS/MS ENL International Luncheon	27 SCHOOLS CLOSED	28
Grs. 4 & 8 NYS Science Performance Tests 5/24-6/3						
29	30 Memorial Day Parade SCHOOLS CLOSED	Day 2 31	 			

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MAY 2022





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JUNE 2022

JULY 2022

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Day 3 1 3rd Grade Visitation to GW	Day 4 2 9:30 AM GW Incoming Grade 4 Parent Orientation 7:00 PM PTA/PTSA/SEPTA Installation Dinner	Day 5 3 HS/MS Q4 Interim Reports Viewable on PowerSchool	Day 6 4 SAT EXAM
			HS Class of 2023 Senior Portraits			
			Kindergarten Screenings 6/1-6/7			
5	Day 6 6 8:00 AM HS Senior Yearbook Breakfast 7:00 PM Senior Awards Night - HS Auditorium Gr. 4 & 8 Science Written Tests (Makeups 6/7-6/8) Kindergarten Screenings 6/1-6/7	Day 1 7 6:00 PM CA Incoming 1st Grade Parent Orientation 1:00 PM HS Underclassmen Awards - HS Auditorium	Day 2 8 6:30 PM SEPTA Meeting at Chestnut Street Cafeteria	Day 3 9	Day 4 10 HS Senior BBQ	11 ACT EXAM
12	Day 5 13 7:30 PM PTSA Meeting HS Video Conference Room	Day 6 14 9:45 AM CA Incoming 1st Grade Student Orientation	Day 1 15	Day 2 16 CA Moving Up	Day 3 17 Chestnut Street Moving Up July ACT Registration Deadline	18
	FINAL SCHOOL EXAMS & NYS REGENTS					
19	Day 4 20 SCHOOLS CLOSED	Day 5 21 11:00 AM Mandatory HS Graduation Practice 7:30 PM Board of Education Business Meeting HS Video Conference Room	Day 6 22 Chesnut Street Field Day GW Moving Up Day	Day 7 23 Elementary Half-Day (CS/CA/GW) Chestnut Street Field Day (Rain Date) HS Senior Prom	Day 8 24 End of Quarter 4 and Semester 2 9:00 AM 8th Grade Moving-Up Ceremony HS Auditorium Last Day of School Students/Teachers Dismissal for Students CS at 9:30 AM CA/GW at 10:00 AM	25
	FINAL SCHOOL EXAMS & NYS REGENTS					
26 HS Graduation LIU Post - Tilles Center	27	28	29 HS/MS Q4 Report Cards Viewable on PowerSchool	30		

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AUGUST 2022

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14	15	16 7:30 PM Board of Education Business Meeting HS Video Conference Room	17	18	19	20
		NYS REGENTS EXAMS				
21	22	23	24	25 9:00 AM 9th Grade Student Orientation - HS Cafeteria	26	27
28	29	30	31			

SEPTEMBER 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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BEFORE-SCHOOL AND AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM SCOPE/ WEST HEMPSTEAD ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

The Board of Education accommodates a SCOPE-operated before and after-school program for children in grades K-6. The SCOPE Program provides a safe, caring environment. Afternoons are spent working on or completing homework assignments, participating in a variety of enrichment activities and enjoying nutritious snacks. Children are picked up by their parents at or before 6:00 PM.

STUDY FIELD TRIPS

Throughout the school year teachers and their pupils may make study field trips. The trips are an outgrowth of classroom study and carefully planned to correlate with classroom work. The number and frequency of such trips may vary according to grade level and the overall educational contribution the administration feels the trip will make to the school program. Special consideration, such as clothing, equipment, variations from school hours, etc., will be indicated when parents receive their advance notification of the planned field trip. Adequate adult supervision is provided by teachers, administrators and/or parents. The number of chaperones will be decided in terms of the number of students, activities anticipated and the ages of pupils.

PEST MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The West Hempstead UFSD has adopted an Integrated Pest Management Program in accordance with NYS Education Regulations. This program dictates that the least toxic pesticide be used only when absolutely necessary. Any student, parent or staff member may register to receive written notification 48 hours prior to a regulated pesticide application. Individuals may request that their name be added to the school registry at any time during the school year.

All interested parties should contact the District's Pesticide Representative, William Dworsak, at 390-3105, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM.

EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAM

Extracurricular activities are considered a necessary part of any well-rounded secondary program of studies. Each student is urged to participate in at least one extracurricular activity or program per year.

The activities program of our schools is constantly being evaluated and programs are broadened and improved by experience. Physical activities, as well as experiences in the sciences, arts, music, social studies, writing, speaking, dramatics, service, and hobbies will be offered. The Middle School maintains a yearbook publication called Transition. The High School offers its newspaper, The Rampage, its yearbook, Westerly, and its literary-art magazine, Ink Blot.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Directory information including a student's name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, etc., is available to public agencies and institutions. Parents and/or guardians who do not wish such information to be made available must inform the District, in writing, that the information designated may not be released without prior consent. These letters will be kept on file in the Superintendent's office and there is no need to repeat letter writing each year.

Public agencies are such groups as the Armed Forces, Department of Social Services, police, fire, sanitation department, congressmen and senators, Health Department, etc. Commercial groups are not even considered.

Parental requests for students to receive special education services in nonpublic schools within the District must be made in writing by June 1 preceding the school year for which the request for service is made. Anyone with a question should contact Bridget Karis, Director of PPS, at (516) 390-3242.

CHILD FIND

In accordance with New York Education Law Section 4402 and Part 200.2, 200.4 and 200.5 of the Commissioner's Regulations, the Committee on Special Education is responsible for evaluating preschool and school-age students suspected of having a disability, identifying a disability or determining that no disability exists, and recommending a program and/or service within 60 days of the date of the receipt of consent for evaluation. Referrals may be made at any time during the year.

THE FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

FERPA provides that any local education agency that receives Department funds may not have a policy or practice of denying parents the right to:

- Inspect and review education records (34 CFR § 99.10)
- Seek to amend education records (34 CFR §§ 99.20, 99.21, and 99.22)
- Consent to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from education records except as specified by law (34 CFR §§ 99.30 and 99.31)

These rights transfer to the student when he or she turns 18 years of age, or enters a postsecondary educational institution at any age ("eligible student").

Please refer to the District website @ www.whufsd.com under District Policy 5158 regarding confidentiality of student records and notification of rights.

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING

The West Hempstead School District utilizes an automated communication system. The District will utilize this automated system to communicate with parents in the event of a school closing, emergency situations and information regarding District activities.

Early in the school year, you will be asked to update your contact information including home, work and cell phone numbers. You will also be asked to supply your school with the name and telephone number of a person who will take care of your child/children if you cannot be reached. Please do not select someone who always accompanies you and thus is out when you are out.

If the schools must be closed because of an emergency, the following radio/TV stations will be informed, if possible: WHLI, WINS, WCBS, WBAB, NEWS 12, WABC, KJOY, WALK, WNBC, WMJC and FOX 5.

School closings are posted on the website at www.whufsd.com.

The West Hempstead School District has created a two-hour delayed opening procedure to be used under certain weather-related or hazardous circumstances.

A two-hour delayed opening is used when the appropriate set of circumstances is present. This simply means that public schools will be open at the following times and classes would run on an abbreviated schedule.

Two-Hour Delayed Opening	
Chestnut Street School	10:40 AM
Cornwell Avenue Elementary	11:05 AM
George Washington Elementary	10:55 AM
West Hempstead MS/HS	9:55 AM

ALL BUSES, INCLUDING PRIVATE AND PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS, WOULD RUN APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS LATE AS WELL. Parents/Guardians of students who attend private schools are responsible for checking the open/closed status of the school their child attends.

Messages from the District

West Hempstead residents are welcome to become part of the West Hempstead Union Free School District's automated communication system. This system is used to provide public service announcements pertaining to School District matters. Interested residents may become part of the automated system by contacting Mrs. Theresa Bryant at 516-390-3107. District residents may also become part of an informational email listserv by contacting Ms. Dina Reilly at 516-390-3119.

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DISTRICT POLICIES

The entire policy book of the West Hempstead Board of Education is available on our District website at: http://www.whufsd.com/Assets/Documents_Policies/021820_r_policy_book.pdf?v=855 and also under BoardDocs.

The following policies can be found in the policy book as follows:

- Dignity of Students/Student Bullying Prevention and Intervention – Policy 5161
- Sexual Harassment – Policy 2200
- Comprehensive District Program and Procedures for the Prevention of Alcohol and Substance Abuse – Policy 5122
- Drug-Free Workplace and Concussion Management – Policy 5151A
- Use of School Telephones, Computers, Internet and E-Mail – Policy 3610
- Equal Opportunity – Policy 2155
- Confidentiality of Student Records – Policy 5158
- Adaptation, Modification or Amendment of Policy Meetings – Policy 8310

Additionally, all District plans, including the School Conduct and Discipline Code, can be found on the District Website at: http://www.whufsd.com/Assets/District_Links/051420_SCHOOL_CODE_OF_CONDUCT_2021-2022.pdf?t=637250529850030000

The West Hempstead School District is committed to the creation and maintenance of a positive learning environment and requires measured, balanced and age-appropriate responses to discrimination and harassment, with remedies and procedures focusing on intervention and education.

The Code of Conduct prohibits discrimination and harassment against any student based on actual or perceived race, color, religion, religious practice, sex, sexual orientation, ethnic group, national origin, creed, disability and gender, including gender identity and expression.

WEST HEMPSTEAD PTA, PTSA and SEPTA ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND MEETING DATES

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS – PTA

President:
Michele Thomas
516-509-3334
Chelemac417@gmail.com

Vice President Room Rep. – Roxana Jimenez
Vice President Membership – Luwisa Smart-Rivas
Co-Vice Presidents Fundraising – Mara Hogan & Gina Maras
Vice President Programming – Aisha Crumpton
Treasurer – Karen Zhanay
Corresponding/Recording Secretary – Chrissy Simmons
Historian – Ellen Shanley
Kindergarten Liaison – Ed Broncato
PTA/PTSA Liaison – LaToya Woods
Past President – Kathleen Macchia

MEETING DATES

Regular Meetings at George Washington Cafeteria at 7:30 PM
September 24 (Welcome Tea 2:00 PM Chestnut Street)
September 27
October 25
November 29
January 31
February 28
March 28
April 25
May 23 (7:00 PM at Chestnut Street Cafeteria)

Program Meetings

January 10 (Joint Program 7:30 PM HS Video Conference Room)
March 10 (Reflections Ceremony 7:00 PM MS Cafeteria)
May 10 (Candidates Forum 7:30 PM HS Video Conference Room)
June 2 (Installation Dinner 7:00 PM)

FOOTBALL PARENTS CLUB

Bob Ainbinder, President, 516-526-6399

COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Tom Kemnitzer, 516-292-0194

SPECIAL EDUCATION – SEPTA

Co-Presidents:
Kerry Mummendy
516-547-2440
Kerric1127@yahoo.com

Chrissy Simmons
516-369-9964
Cdss3015@yahoo.com

Vice President – Laurene Baumann
Corresponding Secretary – Dinelle Grant
Treasurer – Kristy Bica
Historian – Tara Kushner
Past President – Theresa Walz

MEETING DATES

Regular Meetings
To be held at the Cornwell Avenue Stellar Room at 7:30 PM
September 29
November 3
January 12
March 9
May 4
June 8 at 6:30 pm at Chestnut Street Cafeteria

Program Meetings

January 10 (Joint Program 7:30 PM HS Video Conference Room)
May 10 (Candidates Forum 7:30 PM HS Video Conference Room)
June 2 (Installation Dinner 7:00 PM)

WEST HEMPSTEAD ADMINISTRATORS AND SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION (WHASA)

President – Sean Murray
Vice President – Joseph Cangemi
Secretary – Faith Tripp
Treasurer – Michelle Lambo-Maroon
Phone (516) 390-3160

WEST HEMPSTEAD EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (WHEA)

President – Matthew Caruthers
Executive Vice President – Wayne Heckler
Vice President for Legislation – Christopher Senia
Secretary – Daniel DiPasquale
Treasurer – Lisa McCarthy
Phone & Fax (516) 481-1984

MIDDLE-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL – PTSA

Co-Presidents:
Emily Merle
516-459-2907
Esmerle2@optonline.net

Kathy Andree
516-659-4110
Kattytytj@aol.com

Vice President Membership – Rowena Gabayan
Vice President Fundraising – Jennifer Johnson
Vice President Programming – Anna Rovenskaya
Treasurer – Denise Vega
Recording Secretary – Natalie Pendergast
Corresponding Secretary – Lisa Noriega
Historian – Teresa Tudisco
Past President – Irene Martinez

MEETING DATES

To be held at the High School Video Conference Room at 7:30 PM unless otherwise stated:

September 22
October 18
November 15
January 5
February 16
March 14
April 13
May 16
June 13

Program Meetings

January 10 (Joint Program 7:30 PM HS Video Conference Room)
March 10 (Reflections 7:00 PM MS Cafeteria)
March 24 (Fashion Show 7:00 PM HS Auditorium)
April 7 (PTSA Social 7:00 PM)
May 10 (Candidates Forum 7:30 PM HS Video Conference Room)
June 2 (Installation Dinner 7:00 PM)

2021-2022 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR REDUCED-PRICE MEALS OR MILK

2021-2022 REDUCED-PRICE ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART (Effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022)					
Total Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$23,828	\$1,986	\$993	\$917	\$459
2	\$32,227	\$2,686	\$1,343	\$1,240	\$620
3	\$40,626	\$3,386	\$1,693	\$1,563	\$782
4	\$49,025	\$4,086	\$2,043	\$1,886	\$943
5	\$57,424	\$4,786	\$2,393	\$2,209	\$1,105
6	\$65,823	\$5,486	\$2,743	\$2,532	\$1,266
7	\$74,222	\$6,186	\$3,093	\$2,855	\$1,428
8	\$82,621	\$6,886	\$3,443	\$3,178	\$1,589
Each additional household member add:	\$8,399	\$700	\$350	\$324	\$162

“Family” means a group of related or not-related individuals, who are not residents of an institution or boarding school, but who are living as one economic unit. This includes son, daughter, relatives, etc.

“Income” means all sources of earned or unearned monies before deductions for income taxes, insurance premiums, bonds, alimony, child support, etc. which would be available to the “family” to pay the price of a child’s meal.

“Foster Children” – a foster child placed in a private residence, **where adoption is not involved**, would be eligible under the criteria for a family of one, if the income for that child does not exceed the applicable Family Income Scale. This provision is in effect regardless of the gross income of the foster parent.

“Adult” – For the purpose of providing Social Security numbers, adult means all related and unrelated individuals within the household, 18 and over, who contribute to the income of a household by sharing living and food expenses. This does not, however, include individuals between the ages of 18 and 21 if they are eligible and an application has been filed to receive free and reduced-price meals.

NOTE: There is no allowance for hardship deductions from the above revised family Income Eligibility Guidelines. A standard deduction has already been included in all of the above income level figures.

IMPORTANT NOTICE RE: STUDENT ACCIDENTS

We are insured for general liability, which means that our insurance company will defend the School District for any legal action arising out of claims brought as a result of alleged negligence.

We also carry student accident insurance that pays for medical and dental bills, not covered by the parents’ primary insurance.

ENTRANCE PROCEDURE

The West Hempstead Public Schools are open to all residents between the ages of 5 and 21. To be eligible for kindergarten a child must be 5 years of age on or before Dec. 1 of the school year.

To be eligible for first grade a child must be 6 years of age on or before Dec. 1 of the school year. A child who reaches 6 years of age after Dec. 1 may be eligible under these conditions:

- a. If a child has attended and satisfactorily completed a full year’s work at a registered nonpublic kindergarten, he or she will be admitted to first grade.
 - b. If a child has attended and satisfactorily completed a full year’s work in an unregistered nonpublic kindergarten, he or she may be admitted to first grade only if:
 1. The kindergarten attended provides substantially equivalent instruction* to that provided in a registered or public kindergarten in the opinion of the school authorities; and
 2. The pupil demonstrates physical, social and emotional maturity necessary for success in first grade in the opinion of the school authorities; and
 3. The pupil completes, to the satisfaction of school authorities, a battery of tests selected by the school.
- *Equivalency will be judged by using the Regulations of the Commissioner for registration of nonpublic nursery schools and/or kindergartens.

(Note: Attendance at nursery school is not an acceptable substitute for kindergarten and attendance does not entitle a child to be considered for admission to the first grade.)

The Board reserves the right to make other arrangements in the best interest of students who are physically or mentally handicapped or emotionally disturbed.

Finally, the Board reserves the right to exclude insubordinate or disorderly students. Students who are enrolling for the first time must present proof of age to the Central Registration office. A birth certificate or passport is customary.

Public Health Law requires every pupil entering a public, private or parochial school to submit acceptable evidence of having received poliomyelitis, measles, German measles, Hepatitis B, diphtheria, Varicella, Haemophilus Influenza Type B (Hib) and mumps immunizations before being admitted to school. Additional immunizations as suggested by your physician are also recommended.

The only exception from the law may be made upon receipt of a physician’s statement that such immunization may be detrimental to the child’s health or a written statement from parents certifying that they are bona fide members of a religious organization whose teachings are contrary to this requirement.

Students who are transferring to our schools from other schools must:

- Present transfer from previous school.
- Present evidence of immunizations as detailed above.

PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES

In accordance with federal and state regulations, the West Hempstead Union Free School District provides appropriate Special Education services to students with disabilities. Any parent who suspects that his or her child may have a disability may refer the child for an evaluation by the Committee on Special Education (CSE) for eligibility for Special Education services. This written referral, with original parent/guardian signature, can be made to their school’s principal or to Bridget Karis, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, 400 Nassau Blvd., West Hempstead, NY, 11552. More detailed information on this process is available in *A Parent’s Guide to Special Education*, which is published on the New York State Education Department’s website in English and Spanish and can be found at the following links:

English handbook: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/formsnotices/documents/NYSEDProceduralSafeguardsNoticeJuly2017v2.pdf>

Spanish handbook: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/formsnotices/documents/spanish-psgn-july-2017.pdf>

Parents who suspect that their child under the age of 3 may need Special Education services should contact the Nassau County Department of Health’s Early Intervention Program at 516-227-8661.

Parent requests for students to receive Special Education services in nonpublic schools within the District must be made in writing by **June 1** preceding the school year of which the request for service is made. Anyone with a question should contact Bridget Karis, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, at 516-390-3242.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

Section 903 of the State Education Law, which provided for annual physical examinations of all pupils, has been amended to provide periodic examinations. The pertinent amendment provides as follows:

Health examinations will be required in grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11. Vision screening for distance and near vision acuity will be required within six months of admission to school and in grades Pre-K, K, 1, 3, 5, 7 and 11. Hearing screening utilizing pure tone testing will be required within six months of admission to school and in grades Pre-K, K, 1, 3, 5, 7 and 11. Scoliosis screening will be required in grades 5 and 7 for girls and grade 9 for boys.

This examination may be performed either by the family doctor or the school doctor. Notices will be sent home in the fall and the spring concerning this program. Parent/guardian will be notified if a student needs to be referred for medical evaluation following vision and hearing screenings.

All **medication**, including **nonprescription drugs** given in school, must have a **written order from a licensed prescriber. A written statement from parent/guardian requesting administration of medications ordered by prescriber is required.** The parent/guardian must assume responsibility to have the medication delivered directly to the Health Office, in a properly labeled original container. Any questions regarding medication, please see the school nurse.

HOME INSTRUCTION

Home instruction will be provided for any child enrolled in the West Hempstead Public Schools who is expected to be absent from school for a period of at least four weeks because of a temporary medical disability.

Your doctor must provide the information in writing about the disability and give his diagnosis and prognosis regarding the amount of time your child is expected to be absent. This statement should be taken to the school doctor so that he can ask questions and determine the advisability of home instruction. Your doctor supplies the information but we must have the school doctor's recommendation before granting home instruction.

Home instruction is limited to one hour a day or five hours per week for elementary students. Secondary students will receive a minimum of two hours a day or a total of 10 hours a week of Home Instruction.

Home instruction is generally not provided after May 15.

ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

The Director of School Facilities and Operations, William Dworsak, is the official designee for asbestos monitoring and abatement activities. Reports which provide comprehensive information on asbestos-bearing materials (Management Plans) are located in his office and are available for public inspection, upon request.

Every six months the District's designee conducts a visual surveillance of each building.

POLICE PROTECTION

Should you notice any act of vandalism or suspicious loitering, please call 911. The information you supply will be kept in confidence and anonymous; reasonable information is also investigated.

SMOKING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Smoking and other use of tobacco products is prohibited by students, staff and visitors in school buildings and all school property at all times.

VISITORS

All visitors to any school building in West Hempstead must proceed to the Main Office of the building for a pass. It is recommended that visitors make an appointment by telephone prior to visiting the school.

TRANSPORTATION

Bus transportation is provided for public, private and parochial schools within the District; present policy for distance requirements is as follows:

- For pupils in kindergarten and grades 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 where the school is located at least 3/4 mile from the pupil's home.
- For pupils in grade 6 where the school is located at least 1 mile from the pupil's home.
- Pupils in grades 7-12 where the school is located at least 1 1/2 miles from the pupil's home. Bus transportation may be provided to pupils attending a private or parochial school outside the district according to the formula listed above, as long as the school is located no more than 15 miles from the pupil's home. Transportation will be provided to physically or mentally handicapped children attending special classes or schools as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Distances from a given home to a given school will be measured with a specially calibrated odometer. Measurement shall be made from the curb nearest the front door of each home to the curb of the officially designated entrance of the school attended, and shall be the shortest possible route between the home and the school using public streets or roads.

Bus passes may be obtained from Gina Gandolfo, Transportation Clerk, in the Administration Office, 252 Chestnut Street, 516-390-3112. Pupils who lose bus passes may have them replaced for five dollars.

NONPUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION DEADLINE

The State Education law makes it necessary for parents of children attending nonpublic schools who meet the requirements entitling them to transportation to submit a written request for transportation. For the current school year, all such written requests for transportation were required to have been filed in the West Hempstead School District Transportation Office on or before April 1 of the **previous** school year. For the following school year, all requests for transportation must be filed in writing by April 1 of the current school year. If a family moves into the District after April 1, the request for transportation should be made within 30 days after establishing residence in the District. This request for transportation should include the student's name, address, phone number, grade, and the school for which transportation is being requested. Information on how to submit a request for transportation and an application for transportation can be found on our school district website. **THIS REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED EACH YEAR.**

BUS INFORMATION

(Before and After School Hours)
Cheese Bus Inc. 718-276-3568
Dell Transportation 516-883-6711
First Student (Laidlaw) 516-433-7600
Guardian Bus Company 516-723-3287
Independent 516-569-5364
Suburban Bus Co. 516-781-5484
VTC Bus Corp. 516-561-7070
WE Transport, Inc. 516-349-8200



CONFIDENTIALITY AND ACCESS

Parents have a right to view their child's records with appropriate administrative staff or their designee. A letter requesting a review must be on file. A copy of the child's record is available to the parent at a cost of 25 cents per page. The District assures and recognizes the law of confidentiality. Additional information is available upon request by contacting the office of the Superintendent.

PARENT MEETINGS

Meetings for parents and professional staff are held periodically to discuss programs, orientation of students, precollege planning, class levels, courses of study and new requirements. These meetings are usually held at a particular school and parents are notified of such meetings in advance. The various meetings also afford parents and teachers an opportunity to meet informally.

There is an annual Back-to-School Night at each of the schools in our District for the specific purpose of hearing a general report from the teacher with respect to curriculum being offered.

HONORS AND ACCELERATED PROGRAMS

We encourage all students to take the most rigorous coursework.

MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS/ACCELERATED

Accelerated STEM Programs:

Math 7 Honors for All:

- Universally enriched math curriculum provided to students in order to prepare for the Algebra 1 course in their 8th grade year

Accelerated Algebra 8:

- Universal acceleration in Algebra 1 for 8th grade students in order to prepare them for the Algebra Regents exam and credit
- This is a high school level credit-bearing course that culminates in a NYS Regents examination

Science 7 Honors:

- Review of 6th grade coursework in science
- Classroom performance
- Grade 6 recommendation

Living Environment 8:

- Students in science 7H and Science 7 will be eligible for the Challenge Up program in their 8th grade year
- Students can self-select to enroll in the Living Environment course during their 8th grade year
- This is a high school level credit-bearing course that culminates in a NYS Regents examination

Humanities Honors Program:

ELA 7 Honors:

- Review of 6th-grade coursework in ELA
- Classroom performance
- Grade 6 team recommendation

ELA 8 Honors:

- Minimum grade of 85 in the 7th grade ELA honors course
- Teacher recommendation

Social Studies 7 Honors for All:

- Universally enriched social studies curriculum provided to all students in grade 7

Social Studies 8 Honors for All:

- Universally enriched social studies curriculum provided to all students in grade 8

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS/ACCELERATED

GRADE 9 – HONORS/ACCELERATED

1. Minimum grade of 85 in current Honors Course
(Refer to HS Course Guide for specific course requirements.)
2. Teacher recommendation
3. Department Director recommendation
4. Counselor recommendation
5. Principal recommendation

GRADES 10, 11, 12 – HONORS/ACCELERATED/AP

1. Minimum grade of 85 in current Honors Course
(Refer to HS Course Guide for specific course requirements.)
2. AP requirements (See AP contract.)
3. Teacher recommendation based upon course achievement
4. Department Director recommendation
5. Counselor overview of student profile
6. Principal recommendation

WEST HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Principal, Chestnut Street School – Mrs. Faith Tripp
Principal, Cornwell Avenue School – Mrs. Deanna Sinito
Principal, George Washington School – Mrs. Michelle Notti
Principal, Middle School – Mr. Sean Murray
Interim Assistant Principal, Middle School/High School – TBD (Gr. 7-9)
Interim Principal, High School – Mr. Joseph Pumo
Assistant Principal, High School – Mrs. Michelle Lambo-Marón (Gr. 10-12)
Director of English as a New Language (ENL) and Instructional Technology - Dr. Katie DiGregorio
Director of Physical Education and Health - Mr. Christopher Mistretta
Director of Pupil Personnel Services – Mrs. Bridget Karis
Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services – Mrs. Susan Burnett
Director of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Business) – Mr. Joseph Cangemi
Director of Fine, Performing and Culinary Arts – Dr. Nichelle Rivers
Director of Humanities (English, Social Studies, World Languages, Reading and Library) – Mr. Vronski Mesidor
Director of School Counseling – Mrs. Michelle Lambo-Marón, Mrs. Bridget Karis

Students in grades 9 through 11 may not leave the campus. **Eligible seniors** may leave the campus for lunch **only** with written parental permission, and must return in time for their next class period. Eligibility shall encompass academics, behavior and community service during junior and senior years. Students who are scheduled for study hall are not permitted to leave the building during study hall. There are no free periods. Eligible seniors may also leave for the purpose of dismissal, if they have no classes during Period 8.

REPORT OF PROGRESS

To keep parents informed of a pupil's progress, academic information is shared periodically in each school.

At the elementary schools (K-6), report cards are issued four times a year.

At the middle school and high school (Gr. 7-12), interim reports are issued quarterly, noting progress in specific areas. Furthermore, report cards are also issued quarterly. All reports are available on PowerSchool.

Parents are urged to contact the school for consultation if for any reason they do not feel a student is succeeding, or if any questions arise about the caliber of a student's work or status.

MOVING-UP REQUIREMENTS

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Students who fail two or more major subjects are not permitted to attend Middle School commencement.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

HIGH SCHOOL

Participation in the West Hempstead High School graduation ceremony is an earned privilege. Only those students who meet **ALL** the requirements by June of their graduating year will be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. Any students who need to take summer school courses or required tests in order to satisfy graduation requirements **WILL NOT** be allowed to participate in the June graduation ceremony.

SCHOOL COUNSELING/GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING

All of our schools have assigned psychologists and social workers for the benefit of our students. In addition, school counseling/guidance services are regarded as an integral part of the educational process. Counselors provide educational, vocational and personal-social guidance. The counselor assists the student as an individual to make appropriate and satisfying educational choices of adjustments to his/her school environment.

The counselors and psychologists work closely with parents and the school staff and will assist the student when any personal problem seems to be impeding school progress.

LEAVING HIGH SCHOOL DURING SCHOOL DAY

No student may leave school for any reason without signing out with permission. To do so is a cut for each period missed. These cuts will not be cleared after the fact even with a note. Students **MUST** sign out after parental contact is made with school officials. Cuts will affect eligibility for extracurricular activities.

USE OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES BY ORGANIZATIONS

The procedure for the use of school buildings, fields, and facilities is as follows:

Use of buildings, fields, etc. will be considered in relation to two seasons:

- a) Fall-Winter Season – September 1 to March 31
- b) Spring-Summer Season – April 1 to August 31

Deadlines for filing applications are:

- a) Fall-Winter Season – March 31
- b) Spring-Summer Season – December 31

Applications for the Fall-Winter Season of 2022-23 may be filed anytime up to March 31, 2022. The Board of Education will then consider all applications and approve use as appropriate. Notifications of approval and/or disapproval will be sent to all organizations prior to June 30, 2022. Applications for the Fall-Winter Season 2021-22 received after the March 31, 2022, deadline will be approved only when and if facilities are available for use.

Similarly, applications for the Spring-Summer Season of 2022 may be filed anytime up to December 31, 2021, deadline date and the District will make appropriate notification to all organizations prior to January 31, 2022. Again, applications received after the December 31, 2021, deadline will be approved only when, and if, facilities are available.

Organizations are reminded that groups must provide proper supervision for participants and visitors so that there is no roaming about the corridors, classrooms and offices in the buildings. Premises are to be left in a clean, orderly condition, and any damage to the buildings from an organization's use will be charged directly to the group.

Please bear in mind that the school functions have priority over all outside organization activities; in the event of a conflict, an organization may be required to shift an activity to another evening, or in unavoidable instances, cancel an activity for a period of time, etc.

Questions regarding building use, dates, etc., should be directed to the facilities department.

We realize there may be some overlapping in seasons for certain activities which is unavoidable; in such cases an organization will be asked to file an additional application.

The District will follow all Department of Health and CDC guidelines, both state and Nassau County.

REGULATIONS OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

As authorized by Section 1670 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law:

1. The following vehicles, and no others, shall be permitted to be parked on school grounds or property:
 - a. Those vehicles which have been registered with the school office, and for which parking permits have been issued. Such parking permit, once issued, shall be visibly displayed on the vehicle for which it has been issued (rear left bumper).

- b. Those vehicles belonging to bona fide visitors in pursuit of official school business, school-related matters or other approved use.
2. Between the hours of 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM on days when school is in session:
 - a. Where specific parking spaces have been assigned to registered vehicles, such vehicles shall be parked only in such assigned spaces. It shall be unlawful for any other vehicle to be parked in such assigned spaces.
 - b. Unregistered vehicles belonging to bona fide visitors in pursuit of official school business or school-related matters, or registered vehicles when at locations removed from assigned parking spaces or to which no spaces have been assigned, shall be parked only in spaces designed for "visitors" parking, or in unassigned or unmarked spaces.
3. Parking in areas designated as "No Parking" or "Fire Lanes" is prohibited.
4. No vehicle shall be driven at a speed in excess of 10 miles per hour on any school ground or property.

Any violation of these regulations is a traffic infraction, as provided in the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law, and the provisions of such regulations may be enforced by the Nassau County Police Department.

HIGH SCHOOL PARKING REGULATIONS

Permission to drive and park on campus is reserved for seniors (grade 12) who are in possession of a senior (D) license, vehicle registration, a current insurance card and who have been issued a West Hempstead High School student's parking sticker (\$10 deposit required). Students requesting a sticker must report to the Assistant Principal's Office in the High School with license, vehicle registration and insurance card. If the vehicle is sold during the year, it is requested that the sticker be removed and returned even if it is damaged. We will then issue a second sticker. No student is permitted to park on campus without a parking sticker.

Seniors may park only in areas designated for student parking, not in the staff parking area. Juniors are not permitted to park on campus.

Seniors must drive safely in the parking lot. They may not leave the campus in their cars during the school day and may not transport underclassmen in their vehicles in violation of the closed campus policy. Seniors may not sit in cars, nor should any underclassmen, subject to closed campus, be in any senior's car during the school day. Failure to follow rules may result in loss of parking privileges.

At no time may students park in the Middle School parking lot.

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WEST HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

General Information.....	516-390-3100
District Clerk (Voting & Voter Registration).....	516-390-3107
Transportation	516-390-3112
Superintendent of Schools	516-390-3107
Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations	516-390-3103
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction	516-390-3119
Central Registration.....	516-390-3120
Director of School Facilities and Operations	516-390-3105
Director of Technological Services	516-390-3105
Accounting	516-390-3110
Payroll	516-390-3126
Health Insurance	516-390-3111
Textbooks	516-390-3115
District Office Fax	516-489-1776

CHESTNUT STREET SCHOOL

Principal's Office.....	516-390-3150
Nurse's Office	516-390-3155
Fax.....	516-390-3152

CORNWELL AVENUE SCHOOL

Principal's Office.....	516-390-3140
Nurse's Office	516-390-3145
Fax.....	516-489-0365

GEORGE WASHINGTON SCHOOL

Principal's Office.....	516-390-3130
Nurse's Office	516-390-3135
Fax	516-489-0068

WEST HEMPSTEAD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Principal's Office	516-390-3160
Guidance Office.....	516-390-3170
Nurse's Office	516-390-3165
Fax	516-489-8946

WEST HEMPSTEAD HIGH SCHOOL

MAIN NUMBER – 516-390-3200 / FAX NUMBER – 516-489-1769

Principal's Office	516-390-3218
Assistant Principal's Office	516-390-3271
School Counseling Office	516-390-3221
School Counseling Fax	516-390-3280
Attendance Office	516-390-3239
Nurse's Office	516-390-3256
CPSE Office	516-390-3240
Special Education Office	516-390-3242
Special Education Fax	516-390-3245
Food Service Office	516-390-3275

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