

Our Path to First Choice No. 19
2019/20

Everyone,

Here's Our Path note. Thank you for all you do for our students!

Our Path Note Topic

As WASD learns more about customizing and personalizing education, we learn about those barriers that can prevent us from customizing education for students. These barriers are sometimes referred to as Weight Bearing Walls.

Some examples of Weight Bearing Walls (WBW) are Grade Levels, Students Assigned to a Specific Classroom, Class Period/Bell Schedule, Courses/Curriculum, Textbooks, Paper/Pencil, ABC Grading System, Report Cards, Learning Happens in School, and Nine Month School Year. The Access4All technology program in which each student has a computer can sometimes remove a WBW. If you look at those mentioned above, the one-to-one program can remove paper/pencil and learning just in school. If you examine it more, you can remove more WBWs with the Access4All/One-to-One program. Courses are taught typically in school by a face-to-face class with a teacher during a specific time and day throughout the school year. The personal laptop provided to students can change all of that. Therefore, some WBWs have been removed to provide a more personalized/customized education for students.

WBWs are another change in the way we think about teaching and education. During the upcoming In-service day, you will learn more about WBWs and other ways of thinking about education, teaching, and learning. Our purpose is to personalize and customize education for each student. "When you customize learning, the fast runners run really, really fast; and the slow runners run faster than you ever thought they would" (MCL Presentation).

Board Information and Policy Updates

- Next School Board Meetings.
 - January 14 Board Meeting at 7pm
 - January 21 Facilities Committee 6:30 PM

You may check out District policies by going to this site: <https://www.boarddocs.com/pa/wayn/Board.nsf/Public>

WASD Staff Childcare Program Update

For those who are interested in your **child or grandchild** participating in our **WASD Daycare Program** with **enrollment August 2020**, please consider the following event:

WASD Staff Daycare Open House
Early Learning Center
Friday January 17, 2020
2:30-5:00

Park at the top parking lot (entrance for stadium)- park in a spot with blue painted lines.
Stop in, tour the Early Learning Center, ask questions and apply for a space!
Please email, Erica Nemzek, if you have any further questions.

Erica Nemzek
Early Learning Coordinator
Waynesboro Area School District
717-762-1191 Ext. 1190

WellSpan Gardening Workshop

Check below for the flyer site.

The New WellSpan Clinic

Located at the high school in the new Early Learning Center, the WellSpan Walk-In Clinic.

Hours:

- **Monday and Friday- 7am to 11am.**
- **Thursday- 3pm to 6pm**

A Challenge for You

What is Growth Mindset?

Piece of the Puzzle

This week the Piece of the Puzzle is Maria Camacho. Maria does an amazing job as the secretary at Hooverville and is an asset to the Second Language Population at Summitview. Mrs. Camacho was essential to Mrs. Eberhardt's transition to Hooverville at the beginning of the year as Mrs. Eberhardt was getting to know the staff and families at Hooverville. As a bilingual staff member, Mrs. Camacho is always willing to assist with making phone calls to parents in their native language and assists in translating documents into Spanish. Recent examples include translating a complicated IEP into Spanish and creating a Spanish version of the Education Field Trip form that will now be available to all schools in the district. Her warm personality and huge smile makes everyone feel welcomed! If you see or talk to Maria this week, congratulate for being named the Piece of the Puzzle!

Challenge Answer (Important to Know)

A Growth Mindset is the opposite of a Fixed Mindset. A Growth Mindset is the promoting that everyone can grow, but at one's own pace and abilities. A Fixed Mindset is when people believe their basic qualities, like their intelligence and talents will not change—they are fixed. A Growth Mindset is when people believe that their learning and intelligence can grow with time and experience.

Final Thoughts

- *If everyone is thinking alike, than someone isn't thinking.*—George S. Patton.
- *The ability to perceive or think differently is more important than the knowledge gained.*—David Bohm.
- *If you change the way you look at things, the things you look at Change.*—Wayne Dyer.
- *We cannot solve our problems with the same thinking we used when we created them.*—Albert Einstein.

Enjoy the rest of your week!

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Healthy Franklin County will be offering a **FREE** *Community Garden Workshop* at Wilson College *on Saturday, February 1 from 9am-12pm.*

This workshop will focus on Permaculture through a panel discussion on land restoration and different break out session topics. The event will also feature Lincoln Smith, Founder of Forested, Creative Ecology.

See the flyer below for more information and register

here: <https://www.wellspan.org/.../de.../Community-Garden-Workshop/766>