

Nether Providence Elementary

410 Moore Rd.

Wallingford, PA 19086

Please review this eblast for information on the following items:

1. Conference Schedule
 2. 2024 PSSA Information
 3. WSSD attendance Information
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Conference Schedule

Thursday, March 21 – Conferences in AM/PM/Evening (NO SCHOOL for Students)

Friday, March 22 – AM Conferences Only (1/2 day staff) (NO SCHOOL for Students)

Kindergarten Conferences – same as above, plus during the *school day* on March 19 and 20.

2024 PSSA Information (Grades 3-5)

Students enrolled in Pennsylvania public schools, in grades 3-8, are required to take the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) each year. These exams provide both a unique look at individual student performance, as well as insight and accountability for a school's effectiveness. Additional information will be forthcoming.

For the current testing schedule, please review the chart below:

Monday, April 22	ELA
Wednesday, April 24	ELA
Friday, April 26	ELA
Monday, April 29	Mathematics
Tuesday, April 30	Mathematics
Wednesday, May 1	Science
Thursday, May 2	Science

Makeups will be administered Wednesday, May 3 and Thursday, May 4.

WSSD Attendance Information

(For the complete Wallingford-Swarthmore School District Policy on Attendance please reference School Board Policy #204:

WSSD Attendance Policy

Regular and timely attendance is essential for success in school. A student's first responsibility is to attend school regularly and fulfill all requirements. Regular and prompt attendance is a habit to be cultivated early in one's school career. Excessive absences, even when excused, have an impact on learning and student achievement.

If a student is out sick due to illness during the school day, the student is not permitted to participate in after-school activities. If a student is absent for another reason during the school day, prior permission is required for participation in any after-school activities.

Each day Mrs. Hurwitz will generate an automated call alerting parents/guardians to a student's absence.

Unexcused Absences

Absences shall be treated as unlawful until the District receives a written excuse explaining the absence. The written excuse must be submitted within three (3) days of the student returning from the absence or excuse will not be accepted. An absence note ***MUST*** be produced within three (3) school days of the student returning to school, or the absence will be **permanently coded as unexcused**.

Attendance Line

Please remember to call the school absence line at **610-874-5236** between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on any day that your child is going to be absent or after 4:00 p.m. on the evening before. We check those messages shortly after 9:00 a.m.; we will then immediately call the parent/guardian of any child who is absent and for whom we have not received a call. This practice ensures that both parents/guardians and school know that the children are where they are supposed to be. In addition to the phone call, **a note must also be provided to NPE.**

Return from Absence

Upon return to school after an absence, students are required to bring a written excuse from a parent/guardian. Any written note should contain the following:

1. Student's full name
2. Date(s) of absence
3. Reason for absence
4. Signature of parent/guardian

If a student is absent three (3) or more consecutive days, **a doctor's note will also be required upon return from school.**

Electronic Absence Notes

Electronically submitted absence notes are accepted at WSSD schools. Absence notes may be submitted to the school as an e-mail attachment provided they comply with the following guidelines:

Directions on submitting electronic absence notes

1. Parent/Guardian writes the absence note on a piece of paper
2. Parent/Guardian signs the note
3. Parent/Guardian scans the note or takes a picture of the note
4. Parent/Guardian attaches the scanned note/picture of note to an e-mail
5. Parent/Guardian sends the message to the designated e-mail address for absence notes.

Please follow these guidelines:

- **NO** electronic signatures will be accepted
- **ONLY** e-mails with a signed absence note attached will be accepted
- E-mailed notes **MUST** be sent to the designated E-mail account for each school (see below). Staff members may not forward absence note e-mails to the designated account.
- Notes must contain the date of absence, student's name, grade level, reason for absence and parent/guardian signature.
- **The designated e-mail account is for absence notes only. All other content should be sent to a school staff member directly.**

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npe-attendance@wssd.org

NOTE: IF YOU UNSUBSCRIBE BELOW, YOU WILL NO LONGER RECEIVE CRITICAL E-BLASTS FROM WSSD OR ANY OF OUR SCHOOLS. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU DO NOT USE THE UNSUBSCRIBE FEATURE. Wallingford-Swarthmore School District would like to continue connecting with you via email. If you prefer to be removed from our list, please contact Wallingford-Swarthmore School District directly. To stop receiving all email messages distributed through our SchoolMessenger service, follow this link and confirm: [Unsubscribe](#)

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