

Superintendent's Report

School Board Meeting
November 8, 2021



Wallingford- Swarthmore School District

Mission and Vision Statements



MISSION

The Wallingford-Swarthmore School District is committed to assuring the academic achievement and personal growth of all students within an environment that promotes:

- Respect for self and others
- Active engagement in learning
- Leadership in the global community
- The pursuit of excellence

VISION

Our vision is to develop a world-class school district that provides students with the skills to succeed in a changing global environment. This vision will be realized through a commitment to high-quality programs and continuous improvement based upon careful analysis and integration of the most effective practices.

Health and Safety Plan Test-to-Stay

Test-to-Stay

A COVID-19 Strategy to Help Maintain In-Person Learning

TEST-TO-STAY PROGRAM allows students and staff who are identified as **in-school close contacts** during COVID-19 contact tracing and are **asymptomatic** to continue to remain in school for work or learning. Staff or students will not be required to quarantine from school by taking routine COVID-19 rapid antigen tests [BinaxNOW] over the course of ten (10) days. Students and staff will test:



- Began Nov. 1st
- Tested 45 Students
- No Positive Results



Health and
Safety Plan

Delaware County Community Transmission

7 Day Metrics as of October 24, 2021

Level of Transmission: High

Cases: 721

Positivity: 4.21%

Deaths: <10%

Eligible Population Fully

Vaccinated: 76.3%

New Hospital Admissions: 47

7 Day Metrics as of November 8, 2021

Level of Transmission: High

Cases: 598

Positivity: 4.94%

Deaths: <10%

Eligible Population Fully

Vaccinated: 77.4%

New Hospital Admissions: 22



Health and Safety Plan

Pennsylvanians ages 5 and older are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. To find a vaccine provider near you, visit vaccines.gov



Gov. Wolf: State Anticipates Returning K-12 School Mask Requirement to Local Leaders January 17, 2022

November 08, 2021



Governor Tom Wolf today announced the intention to return the commonwealth's K-12 school mask requirement to local leaders on January 17, 2022. Upon the expiration of the statewide mandate, local school officials will again be able to implement mitigation efforts at the local level. At that time, schools may continue requiring mask-wearing based on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance.

WSSD
FLU/COVID
VACCINATION

WSSD COVID VACCINATION CLINIC



WSSD is partnering with Springfield Pharmacy on an upcoming COVID vaccination clinic for students ages 5-11 and anyone in the school community interested in vaccination.

Dates: November 29, December 20, & January 12

Times: 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Location: Strath Haven Middle School

Registration details will be sent out shortly.



WSSD Health and Safety



LET'S STOP COVID-19

EVERY CHILD COUNTS, INC. & THE DELAWARE COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

is honored to provide

FREE COVID-19 vaccines for kids 5 years old and up

WHERE: **NETHER PROVIDENCE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

410 Moore Road, Wallingford, PA 19086

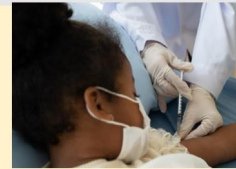
WHEN: **SATURDAY, November 13th** from 10 AM to 1 PM

SATURDAY, November 20th from 10 AM to 1 PM

SIGN UP: eccinc.org, click on "our work" and sign up



Thank you to our sponsors, to Yeadon Wellness Center and to Nether Providence Elementary School for making this event possible for our community.



Media Pediatrics
"Where kids come first"



Dr. June Elcock-Messam - Pediatrician in Wallingford (Media Pediatrics) and the president of a non-profit organization - **Every Child Counts, Inc (ECC)**.

Dr. Joseph Laskas, the President of the **Delaware County Medical Society (DCMS)**

ECC is partnering with DCMS and the Trauma Informed Workforce Initiative (TIWI project)

WSSD
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Every Child Counts, Inc COVID Vaccination Clinic

Dr. June Elcock-Messam, a pediatrician at Media Pediatrics in Wallingford and the president of the non-profit organization, is organizing a COVID vaccination clinic. They are partnering with DCMS and the Trauma Informed Workforce Initiative (TIWI project)..

Dates: Saturdays, November 13th and 20th

Time: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Location: Nether Providence Elementary School

Interested participants should contact Dr. Elcock-Messam at 610-565-3336.



Calendar Part One

District Calendar Development - A Historical Perspective

There are a number of objectives and constraints considered when developing the calendar. They are:

PDE Requirements - Days and Hours	Professional Development Priorities
Voting Days	Last Student Day
Post-Labor Day Start	Snow Days
Holidays and Vacations	Teacher Contract
Parent - Teacher Conferences	



Calendar

PDE Requirements - Days and Hours

- 180 Days - Full or Partial Student Days Count as well as identified Professional Development Days
- 900 Hours for Elementary Students (K-6)
- 990 Hours for Secondary Students (7-12)

Both days and hours are considered independent of each other.

Teacher Contract Days

- 192 Days - Student and In-Service Days only
- Any non-work day (vacation or holiday) do not count as part of the 192

Voting Days

For school security reasons, both the November and May voting days are non-student days.



Calendar

Conferences

- Elementary: Four segments (AM, PM, Evening) in the fall and spring
- Middle School: Three blocks in the fall

Holidays and Vacations

- Previously Observed: Independence Day, Labor Day, Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur when observed on a weekday, Thanksgiving, Day after Thanksgiving, Winter Break, MLK Day, Presidents' Day, Spring Break Week, Memorial Day
- Consideration of when testing occurs as related to other holidays

Professional Development Priorities

- With the increased number of state mandated and District initiated priorities, scheduling professional development (in-service) time early and throughout the year is necessary
- Accomplished through full day and early dismissal days



2021-2022 Educational Affairs Committee Meeting Dates



NOTE: Topics Subject to Change

December 1:

- 2022-2023 Calendar Part 2
- School Start Times Update

January 5:

- Comprehensive Plan Update
- Equity Audit/Equity Scorecard Report

February 2:

- *Future Ready PA Index
- Technology Report

March 2:

- Curriculum Audit Launch
- Student Services Report

April 6:

- Act 158 Multiple Graduation Pathways Presentation - HS
- Equity Update

May 4:

- Curriculum Audit Report - CMSi

June 1:

- Strategic Plan Launch
- Year in Review
- 2022-2023 Seminal Topics

* Pending PDE Data availability

School Start Times



Upcoming Timeline

Please go to wssd.org, click on tab “About WSSD” and then “Sleep and School Start Times” for more detailed information.

September/October Investigation Team Meetings

October 13, 27, November 10, 19, 29

Presentation to Education Affairs School Board Committee

December 1 @ 7 p.m. in SHMS Library (community welcome)

December/January Investigation Team Meetings

December 8, January 12

January School Board Meeting: Final Presentation to Board

January meeting @ 7 p.m. in SHMS Library (community welcome to hear final presentation and make comments)

**2021-2022
Facilities &
Finance
Committee
Meeting Dates**



Facilities and Finance:

November 17, 2021

December 15, 2021

January 19, 2022

February 16, 2022

March 16, 2022

April 20, 2022

May 18, 2022

June 15, 2022

7: 00 p.m.

**B-226 Teaching & Learning
Center**

Strath Haven Middle School

**2021-2022
Policy
Committee
Meeting Dates**



Policy Committee :

November 23, 2022

December - TBD (22nd?)

January 26, 2022

February 23, 2022

March 23, 2022

April 27, 2022

May 25, 2022

June 22, 2022

7: 00 p.m.

**B-226 Teaching & Learning
Center**

Strath Haven Middle School

Important Calendar Dates



2022-23 Kindergarten registration is now open!

- Please see wssd.org/registration for more details.
- Students must be registered by February 25, 2022 in order to be included in the kindergarten lottery.

Thursday, November 11 - SHHS Marching Band in Media Veteran's Day Parade

- The parade begins at 11:11 a.m. on State Street.

Saturday, November 13 - Panther Pajama Run

- Come out and support the Foundation for Wallingford-Swarthmore Schools
- 5K run, 1.2 mile walk, kids races at King Field. Register at runtheday.com.

Thanksgiving / Break Schedule

- For the week of November 22nd, please see your school's website and information from your principal regarding parent-teacher conferences and school schedule.
- Additionally, the District is closed on Thursday, 11/25 and Friday, 11/26.

November 25 - Delco Turkey Trot

- Organized by the NPE PTO, come get some exercise on Thanksgiving morning at this community event. Register at runsignup.com.