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HAPPY THANKSGIVING to all Our Wonderful WayPoint Academy Students and Their Families!

Winter Weather is Coming! School Closing Information

It is our hope that the snow, ice and bitter cold stay away as long as possible...but we know it's coming! Please remember: we post our school closings in a variety of places including: our website, our office phone voicemail, on TV stations WZZM TV 13 and WOOD TV channel 8. The TV station which tends to put closings on in the most timely fashion is WZZM TV 13. We do our best to get closings posted before 6am. Here's hoping we never have to close for inclement weather this year!

Students Seeking Job Shadow & Internship Opportunities

Ms. Hernandez, our School to Careers/Transitions leader, continually seeks job shadow & internship possibilities for our students. If you are employed and know that your employer would be open to offering our students job shadow opportunities or the possibility of internships, please contact Ms. Hernandez to let her know. Our students are very well prepared before they go out on any job shadow or internship ventures. They represent themselves, and WayPoint, very well. Local employers compliment them on their preparation all the time!

Students will be on holiday break in December from December 21st until January 4th. Staff will report on December 21 & 22 for Professional Development, however, students' last day will be Friday, December 18th.

Order Newly Designed WayPoint Shirts by December 1st and They are Guaranteed to Arrive by December 18th

Our "new" WayPoint shirts, designed by some of our students, continue to be available for ordering. They make great gifts! All newly designed shirts ordered NO LATER than December 1st WILL arrive by the time students go on their holiday break in December. Call Carol Chaney if you have any questions.

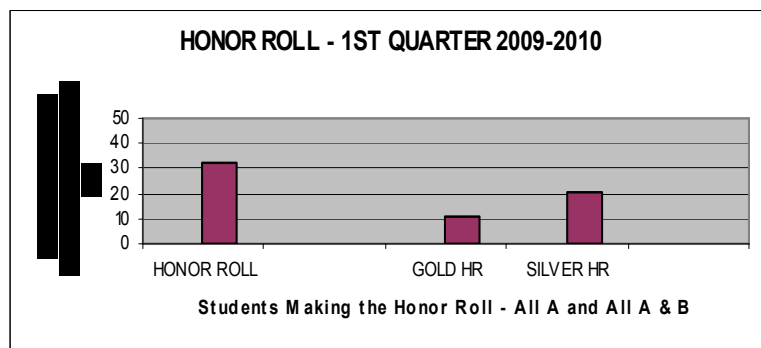
First parent to read this notice and call Mrs. Chaney saying, "My student wins", will win a free WPA shirt!

Data Corner—Honor Roll for 1st Quarter

As we reflect on student achievement the 1st Quarter of this school year, we note that over one-third of our students earned ALL A's and/or ALL A's & B's in ALL of their classes! That is superb achievement and we congratulate our students on the fine work done. Our goal for 2nd Quarter is no less than 50% of our students making the Gold and/or Silver Honor Rolls.



Honor Roll students Ariel Melgoza and Andreanna Burse presenting in Bus Tech class



Boys Basketball Team Preparing for a GREAT Season!



“Mix It Up Day” at WayPoint...students meeting those they don’t know well, reaching out to make new friends!



7th Graders Working on Creating Their EDP's (Educational Development Plans)



L to R: Robby, Christian, & Chris working on their EDPs; Ms. Hernandez instructing students on Career Cruising as they prepare their EDPs; Jaitlynne & Tia working on their EDPs. Each year, beginning in the 7th grade & completed by the end of the 8th grade, all of our students create Educational Development Plans focused on preparing & creating a plan for success in high school and also create a plan, which is reviewed & updated with them every year, for “life after high school”, including more education! PARENTS PLEASE NOTE: You can access your student’s EDP; contact Ms. Hernandez at ext. 112 to find out how!

10th graders took the ACT-PLAN test this Fall; results have been received; parents of 10th graders should watch the mail for word from ACT about your student’s results!

Also noteworthy about our 10th graders is the fact that they will all be involved in a tour of our Muskegon Area Career Tech Center on December 9th; they will witness all that the CTC has to offer them as they make plans for their 11th & 12th grade years!

OUR STUDENTS ARE WORTH WHATEVER IT TAKES!