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School Office

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	<b>1</b> NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	<b>2</b> NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	<b>3</b> NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	<b>4</b> NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	<b>5</b> NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> School Resumes 7:50 a.m. FAST Meeting, 7pm	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Wrestling @ H, 5:00	<b>12</b> End of Second Quarter	<b>13</b> Wrestling @ Harlem, 7:00
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> NO SCHOOL MLK Jr. Day	<b>16</b> Sport Pictures, 3:05 Parents vs Student Academic Meet, 6:00	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Academic Team vs. Faculty, 3:15	<b>19</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report Cards Go Home	<b>20</b> Father Daughter Dance, 7-10pm 7/8 GBB Harlem Tournament, TBA
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 7/8 GBB @ H, 4:00	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Wrestling @ Durand, 4:30	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Blood Drive 1:30 - 6:00 p.m. 7/8 GBB @ Harlem, 4:30	<b>30</b> Wrestling @ H, 4:30	<b>31</b> 1pm Early Student Dismissal	<b>Cathy Finley</b> Principal  <b>Patrick Brûlé</b> Assistant Principal		

\*\*\*All dates are subject to change. Check daily announcements online for current information.

<http://www.winnebagoschools.org/schools/middleschool/announcements>

## **Sports Registration is Now Available**

Students interested in Wrestling or Girls Basketball in January can complete their registration on-line at:

<http://bagoathletics.com/hq/middle-school-athletics-registration/>.

Students need to have all registration, fees and physical paperwork before they can participate in any sports activities.

## **Father Daughter Dance**

Our Student Council organizes our Annual Father Daughter Dance. This year, the dance will be held on Saturday, January 20th from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in our middle school gym. Tickets will go on sale in the office Wednesday, January 10th for \$20.00 per couple.

## **Second Quarter Grades**

Second quarter report cards will be sent home with students on Friday, January 19th. HomeLogic is a good place to check on students' grades on a regular basis. If you have any trouble with the website for HomeLogic: <https://homelogic.winnebagoschools.org/>, please call the school office at 815.335.2364.

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PRIDE STUDENTS IN NOVEMBER:**

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Natalie S. and Kelton S.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Ryleigh P. and Lucas C.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Lydia V. and Andres A.

## **RRVBC Blood Drive**

Winnebago Middle School is helping the Rock River Valley Blood Center by holding a Blood Drive on **Monday, January 29th from 1:30 to 6:00 p.m.** in our cafeteria. If you would be interested in donating blood that day, please call the school office at **815-335-2364** to schedule your appointment.

## **Community Service Opportunities**

We are in need of student volunteers willing to make phone calls and schedule appointments for our Blood Drive scheduled for Monday, January 29, 2018. Volunteers must be able to stay after school until

about 4:00 p.m. Students can talk with Mrs. Finley about setting dates and times that work depending on the student's schedule.

## **District Referendum**

On March 20, 2018, community members of Winnebago Community Unit School District #323 will vote on a building-bond referendum question, which focuses on critical items mandated by the Health/Life Safety process. More information is provided in the attached flyer.

If you wish to learn more please attend our Bond Referendum Community Forums on Wednesday, January 17th at 6:00 p.m. or Thursday, January 18th at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Cafetorium.

## **Attendance Notes**

A couple of friendly reminders:

1. Students who do not feel well are still expected to see the nurse or come to the office. At that time, then, we can help the student to reach a parent or guardian if they need to go home. If a student happens to reach you on their cell phone, please direct them to the office. We've had a couple of instances of parents coming to pick up their child, and we don't even know that there is a problem.
2. The primary explained absence would be a parental trip or vacation. Except where extenuating circumstances are present, these absences should be arranged in advance with written notice to the school office. Explained absences will include family trips and events such as "Take Your Child to Work" day. Make up of work missed during this absence is permitted at full credit but the responsibility for such make up is on the student. Students will be given at least 1 day for every day missed. **The office must approve explained absences at least one day in advance of the absence with written notice from the parent/guardian if the student is to be gone for more than three class periods.** Planned absences during the last week of the grading period are discouraged. Please note that students will be given only two days of work prior to the absence when approved. Other assignments that would be missed will be provided upon the student's return. A prior clearance form must be picked up from the office in advance of the absence. **Failure**

**to complete the appropriate procedure will result in denial of the request and/or the absence recorded as unexcused meaning no credit given for the make-up work.** Full credit will be given for all make-up work due to an explained absence as long as the aforementioned procedure is followed. Any work given to the student prior to their absence is to be completed and turned in upon their return unless otherwise noted by the teacher.

More detailed, important information about policies and procedures for attendance and absences can be found in our [2017-2018 District 323 Student/Parent Handbook](#) starting on Page 5.

### **5Essentials Survey**

We are asking parents to participate in the parent survey of the Illinois 5Essentials Survey. We guarantee that survey responses will never be connected to the identity of you or your child. School reports will only present aggregated information of how parents and students responded as a whole. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete.

Please visit <http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/> to take the parent survey.

### **Have You Asked Your Student**

1. What color is your card on the Spear-It wall? What have you done to earn the stickers and levels for PBIS? We are making plans for a special activity on January 11<sup>th</sup>?
2. How are you on supplies? Do you need any more pencils or pens or paper or....?

### **Christmas Tea**

It was very nice to see our great turn out this year. We were very glad to have all of the parents and families and community members share their day with us!!





