

Warwick

Reemphasizing the 4C's of Learning: Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Creativity, and Communication

As the 2017-2018 school year begins, Warwick will be reemphasizing the "4C's of Learning" skills in our classrooms across the district as necessary components of student success in a 21st Century world. We will be realigning our curriculum, putting more technology supports and tools into the hands of our teachers and students, and the 4C's of Learning (critical thinking, collaboration, creativity, and communication) will be key components in all subject areas.

At Warwick's request last spring, Lisa Riggs, President of the Economic Development Company of Lancaster County, facilitated a joint meeting of district administrators and staff to discuss Warwick community employment trends and what businesses are looking for in potential employees. Talks centered on "Are our Warwick graduates able to fill those needs?" and "How does that need translate to the needs of our student population?" In

order to answer some of those questions our district committed professional development time for secondary staff to tour local businesses and learn about what careers are available and what skills they are looking for in their employees.

Another initiative Warwick School District is embarking on is an intern program for seniors. A number of local businesses have volunteered their services so that students can intern for half of a day during a semester to learn what their business involves. Every year more businesses are interested and added for students.

According to Dr. Ron Hallett, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, "This dialogue planted the seed for us to look at the expectations of businesses. It started a conversation on the possibility of shifting instruction and potentially changing the delivery and emphasis of that instruction so our students are more competitive and

successful in the 21st Century job market."

Over the past few years, local business leaders have shared with district administrators that they see huge changes in employment needs and major shifts in the skills and training they are looking for when they hire high school and post high school graduates.

"Through discussions with Warwick business leaders and organizations, we know that their employment needs are changing dramatically. Many opportunities include creative and progressive jobs based in technology that didn't exist just a few short years ago," said Dr. Hallett.

During this time of dramatic change, business leaders say they need employees who can think on their feet, work together to solve problems, and are good communicators. Mastering these skills can be the key to success in all areas of businesses and life.

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WARWICK SCHOOLS
OPEN
FOR STUDENTS
IN GRADES 1-12
WEDNESDAY,

SEPTEMBER 6, 2017

KINDERGARTENERS
START THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 7, 2017

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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Warwick family,
Believe it or not, August has arrived! The summer has passed so quickly and we've been very busy preparing for our students

to arrive in just a few short weeks. A huge thank you to our buildings and grounds staff members for cleaning and preparing all of our facilities.

This summer, we have been preparing for the 2017-2018 school year by hiring needed staff members, reviewing curricula, policies and procedures, planning for student activities, and participating in professional development.

Our staff is focusing on embedding the "4 C's of 21st Century Learning" into their instruction. Those "C's" are communication, collaboration, critical thinking, and creativity. These are the critical skills every student needs to be successful in today's world. We are very proud of the work being done by our staff in this area. Additionally, training on the use of technology tools in the

classroom continues. All students will have access to a personal electronic device in the next three years. We look forward to providing this access to every Warwick student.

We hope that you have been able to access our new online calendar available on our website at www.warwicksd.org. If you need a paper copy of the calendar, please contact your child's school office or the District Office.

In this issue, you can also read about updated immunization requirements on page 7, new professionals on page 6, and adult education offerings on page 5. Please call your child's school with any questions you may have.

Thank you for your continued support of Warwick School District. We look forward to seeing our students (in grades 1-12) on Sept. 6, our Kindergarteners on September 7, and members of our community at our many events.

Dr. April M. Hershey
Superintendent



Back to School Nights (All held at 6:00 PM)

Kissel Hill Elem.	Tues.	Sept. 12
Lititz Elementary	Thurs.	Sept. 14
Warwick HS	*Mon.	Sept. 18
John Beck Elem.	Tues.	Sept. 19
Warwick MS	Tues.	Sept. 26
John Bonfield Elem.	Thurs.	Sept. 28

* Due to Rosh Hashanah Jewish Holiday

2017-2018 School Calendar

Next Wednesday, September 6, 2017, marks the start of the 2017-2018 school year for Warwick students in grades 1-12. Warwick School District would like to remind families to think about the school calendar when planning summer vacations and when planning events and trips during the school year.

This year, Warwick has two snow days built into the school calendar on Friday, February 16, 2018 and Friday, March 9, 2018. As in previous years, the calendar also includes the "floating in-service day" on Thursday, January 25, 2018 that could affect your family's schedule should the district have any snow days prior to that date. The "floating in-service day" moves or "floats" between the first and second semester to assure an equal number of school days occur in each marking period. Please plan accordingly, and have a back up plan in case this day would have to "float" to a different day. As is always the case, if this date changes, we will communicate a change through our website and other district communication tools, such as our automated calling system, Blackboard Connect, Fast News, Facebook, Twitter, etc.

The school calendar must meet specific guidelines following both state mandates and Warwick's Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), which was mutually agreed to by the district

and the Warwick Education Association (WEA). The calendar is created each year in collaboration with WEA. Presently, Warwick's CBA specifies parameters around the development of the calendar, including the start of school for students after the Labor Day holiday, and certain other holidays on which there is no school for students. These parameters specify that the district cannot use the Monday after Easter break, etc. as snow makeup days. Snow make up days beyond the two presently built into the district calendar must be added to the end of the school year.

At present, the last day for Warwick students in grades 1-12 is scheduled for Friday, June 8, 2018; **please be aware that if we experience snowy or harsh winter weather that requires school to be closed for more than the two built-in snow days, those days would be added to the end of the school calendar.** We know this can directly affect vacation plans and again ask you to plan accordingly.

As always, we appreciate your support and advanced planning. We look forward to partnering together for a successful 2017-2018 school year!

Welcome Back, Fall Sports Teams and Warwick Marching Band!



4C's of Learning

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So, how does this translate to the Warwick classroom and the goals for each individual student?

“We have chosen to use the 4C's in our classrooms to put our students on the pathway to change and greater successes. We will work to provide intentional use of the 4C's in all of our classrooms at all levels - across curriculum, as we consider instruction. By utilizing the 4C's in all classrooms, students will obtain important skills that are applicable in all subjects and career options,” said Dr. Hallett.

Since last spring, Warwick administrators have been getting input from staff and providing professional development on how to incorporate the 4C's in every subject area and every classroom.

Additional guidance on how to use technology tools in the classroom will be one of the increased supports in modeling the 4C's. Teachers will receive support and guidance on how to utilize lots of different tools in their classrooms, with a more increased focus on incorporating technology tools into instruction.

According to Technology Director Fred Griffiths, “This is about supporting our students and our businesses where they are. We need to adjust our baseline to provide the skills they need. We also know that the baseline is always shifting – we need to be adaptive. We know that providing the skills of the future is going to be a moving target. By using the right tools intentionally in student learning, we can provide

supports that embody the necessary skills of the “real world” for our students. Ultimately, we want our students to be prepared for life outside school, whatever that looks like. It could be college, trade school - any path. We need to impart skills that translate to whatever career choice our students pursue.”

“We have an instructional coach to work with our teachers and help them find resources they can use in the classroom. We are here to provide materials to teachers that can be used in team-teaching, but also provide support and research. We want to provide tools for students so they can communicate effectively. We want to change how they learn, but we must first give them the right tools to do that. Putting technology in the hands of all students is a district goal, but we must focus on using technology wisely and appropriately in the classroom.”

“We've done our research. We also know that any big change must occur in small increments over time to be meaningful. We are not jumping in feet first. But, we do know that the needs of society and our community for these skills are growing rapidly. We have been training students for jobs that will no longer exist. Recognizing that fact, we must move beyond that and deliver skills for all walks of life. The ultimate goal for the district is to service students in our classrooms with the skills, knowledge and values they need to be successful in their future, whatever they choose to do.”

Warwick Summer Music Camp



Seventy-five young instrumentalists attended Warwick's 2017 Summer Music Camp held at John Beck Elementary School on August 7-10, 2017. Organized and run by district elementary and secondary music teachers, this is the 26th year that the music camp has provided district instrumental musicians (who have completed grade 4, 5, or 6 during the past school year) with the opportunity to reinforce and improve their basic playing skills in an ensemble environment. Students learned music throughout the four-day camp and then performed it during an evening concert and awards ceremony on August 10.

KINDERGARTEN BUS ORIENTATION: BUS SAFETY TRAINING

Warwick Kindergarteners and their parents recently received school bus safety training and orientation prior to the start of school. Each elementary school principal and the district's transportation school director met with parents and the new Kindergarteners to provide information about bus safety and answer questions.

The first day of school for Kindergarten is Thursday, September 7, 2017.

Kindergarteners were given a hands-on opportunity to practice the rules as they boarded a "real" school bus (some for the first time) and took a short practice ride.







Warwick Offers 2017 Fall Adult Education Classes

ADULT EDUCATION OFFERINGS – Fall/Winter 2017-18

Please check the Warwick School District website or call the district office for additional workshops added throughout the year.

***Workshops added throughout the year may not be in chronological order. *Senior Citizens age 62 and over –NO CHARGE.**

Course	Workshop	Date	Time	Location	Cost*	Enrollment
F17-1	Knitting Basics and Projects	Tues. Sept. 5, 19, 26, Oct. 3	3:30-5:00 PM	HS-A101	\$40.00	12
F17-2	Knitting Basics and Projects	Thurs. Sept. 7, 14, 28, Oct. 5	6:00-7:30 PM	HS-A101	\$40.00	12
F17-3	Pound Rockout Workout 	Wed. Sept. 13,20,27, Oct. 4,11,18, 25 *Sept. 13 Free Trial Class 4:15 PM	4:15-5:15 PM	HS Library	\$40.00	15
F17-4	Microsoft Office 2013—Word Basics	Tues. Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10	5:30-7:30 PM	HS-A143	\$40.00	15
F17-5	YogaFit	Tues. Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17	4:30-5:30 PM	Bonfield Music Rm	\$40.00	12
F17-6	YogaFit	Thurs. Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26	5:00-6:00 PM	Bonfield Music Rm	\$40.00	12
F17-7	Tai Chi for Arthritis 	Thurs. Sept.28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, Nov. 2	4:00-5:00 PM	Bonfield Music Rm	\$40.00	12
F17-8	Knitting Basics and Projects	Tues. Oct. 10, 17, 24, Nov. 14	3:30-5:00 PM	HS-A101	\$40.00	12
F17-9	Knitting Basics and Projects	Thurs. Oct. 12, 19, Nov. 9, 16	6:00-7:30 PM	HS –A101	\$40.00	12
F17-10	Cooking Economically & Nutritiously 	Thurs., Oct. 19	6:30-8:30 PM	HS C131 Materials Fee: \$8.00	\$25.00	15
F17-11	Microsoft Office 2013—Excel Basics	Tues. Oct. 17, 24, Nov. 14, 21	5:30-7:30 PM	HS-A143	\$40.00	15
F17-12	Pound Rockout Workout 	Wed., Nov.1, 8,15,29, Dec. 6,13,20 *Nov. 1 Free Trial Class 4:15 PM	4:15-5:15 PM	HS Library	\$40.00	15
F17-13	YogaFit	Tues. Oct 24, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 5	4:30-5:30 PM	Bonfield Music Rm	\$40.00	12
F17-14	YogaFit	Thurs. Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30, Dec. 7, 14	5:00-6:00 PM	Bonfield Music Rm	\$40.00	12
F17-15	Knitting Basics and Projects	Thurs. Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21	6:00-7:30 PM	HS –A101	\$40.00	12
F17-16	Knitting Basics and Projects	Tues. Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12	3:30-5:00 PM	HS-A101	\$40.00	12
F17-17	Microsoft Office 2013—Word Basics	Tues. Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19	5:30-7:30 PM	HS-A143	\$40.00	15
W18-1	Knitting Basics and Projects	Tues. Jan. 9, 30, Feb. 6,20	3:30-5:00 PM	HS –A101	\$40.00	12
W18-2	Knitting Basics and Projects	Thurs. Jan. 4, 11, 25, Feb. 1	6:00-7:30 PM	HS –A101	\$40.00	12
W18-3	Microsoft Office 2013—Excel Basics	Tues., Jan. 9, 30, Feb. 6, 20	5:30-7:30	HS-A143	\$40.00	12

Contact the Warwick School District Office at 717-626-3734 for more information.

Warwick Welcomes New Professionals for the 2017-2018 School Year

To help prepare new teachers and professional staff for their roles at Warwick School District, the district held an orientation program prior to the start of school. District administrators and staff introduced themselves and their programs, welcomed the new staff members, and shared important school information, policies and operation procedures with the group.

Secondary Staff

Front row, from left: Alyssa Heim, WMS Math; Samantha Snyder, WHS Business Ed; and Nicole Maney, WHS Librarian. Back row, from left: Kaitlyn Bryant, WHS Science/WVA; Tracey Barrell, WMS Learning Support; Daniel Myers, WHS, PE/Health/Trainer; Jeffrey Oberholtzer, WMS Technology Ed; Beth Lynch, WHS Science/Gifted Support; and Alina Rakiewicz, WHS English.

New Secondary Staff



Elementary Staff

Front row, from left: Tanya Myers, Beck (all schools) Physical Therapist; Lindsey Maysilles, LE 1st Grade; and Emily Gerlach, KH Intervention Specialist. Back row, from left: Stephan Englehart, KH Music; Erin Myers, KH 3rd Grade; Susan Barry, JRB Intervention Specialist; and Tyler Wentzel, Beck Intervention Specialist.

Welcome!



New Elementary Staff



New Dynamic, Online School Calendar for 2017-2018

Warwick School District is pleased to announce that we have upgraded our static, printed calendar to a dynamic, interactive online version that allows subscribers (it's free to subscribe) to directly link personal calendars to all school calendars and activities of interest. The calendar will connect with multiple devices (your phones, computers, etc.), eliminating the need to "change" or retype events. You can rest assured that the linked calendars will be up-to-date and accurate. The calendar will automatically update when a change is made by the schools, teams, or the district. Calendars can be printed for those who do not have computer access. See your school office for more information.

Parents: Immunization Requirements Have Changed for 2017-2018 School Year

Parents, please note: The PA Department of Health has changed school immunization regulations for the 2017-2018 school year. The regulations are intended to ensure that children attending school in Pennsylvania are adequately protected against potential outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases. Many students already have the required vaccines, but documentation was not required and may not have been provided to the school nurses.

Changes for the 2017-2018 school year include:

- (4th) Fourth Polio vaccine for all grades to enter school in the fall. WSD nurses have been contacting individual students who are missing this vaccine.
- All (6th) sixth graders will need Menactra #1 and the Tdap booster to enter 7th grade.
- All (11th) eleventh graders will need Menactra #2 to enter (12th) twelfth grade.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

The Pennsylvania School Immunization Law requires the following minimum immunizations for all students on the first day of school:

- (4) Four or more doses of diphtheria and tetanus vaccine, with one dose administered on or after the fourth birthday.
- (4) Four or more doses of polio vaccine, with one dose administered on or after the fourth birthday.
- (2) Two doses of measles, mumps and rubella, preferably given as an MMR, with the first dose administered at 12 months of age or older and the second dose administered at least 30 days after the first dose.
- (3) Three properly spaced doses of hepatitis B vaccine, with a minimum of 28 days between the first and second doses, and the third dose separated by at least 4 months after the first dose and at least two months after the second dose. The third dose must be given after 24 weeks of age.
- (2) Two doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine, administered at 12 months of age or older; OR a written statement from the parent, guardian, or health care provider noting the age of the child when he/she had the chickenpox disease.

For all students for attendance starting the first day of 7th grade:

- (1) One dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine
- (1) One dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV) (administered after age 10).

For all students for attendance on the first day of 12th grade:

- (1) One dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV). If one dose was given at 16 years of age or older, that shall count as the twelfth grade dose.

Proof of immunization is required for all students. The only exemptions to the school laws for immunization are for medical reasons documented by your medical doctor and for religious/philosophical beliefs.

Proof of immunization means a written verifiable record showing the dates (month, day, year) your child was immunized. Parents are encouraged to provide to the school, the dates of all immunization boosters that the student receives during his/her school years.

SCHOOL OPENS (GRADES 1-12) SEPTEMBER 6, WATCH THAT BUS!

- Always allow yourself extra time getting to work or your destination if you travel along bus routes.
- Always stop (at least 10 feet back) when a school bus stops and its red lights are flashing. This includes whether you are behind the bus or approaching it on the roadway.
- Remain stopped until the red lights stop flashing and students reach a place of safety.
- If you are approaching a stopped bus but are driving on the other side of a divided highway, you don't have to stop – but please drive with caution.
- Note: if you fail to stop for a School Bus, you will:
 - * Get an automatic 60-day suspension of your driver's license.
 - * Accumulate 5 points on your driving record.
 - * Pay a \$250 fine.



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LINK CREW FRESHMAN ORIENTATION PROGRAM



Entering a new school for the first time can be intimidating and scary. Warwick High School's Freshman Orientation program, Link Crew, introduces incoming freshmen to the building and other students prior to the beginning of school. The program pairs selected juniors and seniors with freshmen to provide a point of contact and a support system throughout the school year.

This year, 320 incoming students and 76 Link Crew upperclassmen participated in the high-energy transition program that combines interactive games and activities with a tour of the building and a mock lunch.

