

2/10/17

Dear Wasatch Parents and Students,

### **2017-18 Registration**

All of our students should have received course selection materials for next school year. If you have not received anything about choosing classes for next year. Please contact the counseling office ASAP. We really need all the course selection cards in by next Thursday, February 16, 2017. This will allow us to make the staffing and scheduling decisions by our March 1 deadline. If you have any questions please call the school @ 385-646-5244

### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

Parent- teacher conferences will be February 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm-7:00pm. We would love to see all of you there.

### **The Little Mermaid Musical**

Wasatch Jr High proudly presents The Little Mermaid, March 14-17.

Don't miss out on your opportunity to share in this wonderful production. Every year the Wasatch musicals sells out the auditorium, so get your tickets early.

Tickets go on sale during Parent Teacher conference. Tickets will be sold in the cafeteria from 3:00-7:00 on February 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>.

We will also sell tickets March 6-10, 13-17, from 2:30-3:15.

Tickets are \$5 for reserved seating and sell out quickly!!

### **WJH 2017 Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to our top 3 finishers.....Champion, Lana Hua; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place finisher, William Lee; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place finisher, Caleb Norman. Lana and William are now eligible to participate in the Salt Lake County Bee in March, and perhaps will keep going all the way to the national Scripps Spelling Bee in the Washington, D.C. area! We wish them luck! This year we had 58 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students participate, with everyone doing a terrific job and offering encouragement to their fellow spellers. Some of the more challenging words our students spelled correctly included: prestidigitation, pugnacious, castellated, phosphine & rheumatic. Huge thank you to the following people who made the Bee happen: Mr. Anderson for his administrative support of this event, Mrs. Nordgren, who did a fantastic job as the pronouncer, Mrs. Snarr for all her time,

patience & help with logistical and office needs, PTSA and parent volunteers: Katherine Havell, Natalie Mellem, Dianne Northrop, Annette Horman, Michelle Barber & Jeni Colarusso. Congratulations again to our top spellers! We hope all the participants had a positive experience and that more students will test their spelling skills at next year's Bee.

### **Counseling Center Presentation**

Wasatch Jr. High is required by the state of Utah to conduct a yearly Suicide Prevention Presentation to all students. We will present this to all students school upcoming Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> during Warrior Time. Counselors via our video announcements will present the information, and students will remain in their 2<sup>nd</sup> period classrooms to view the presentation. The team of social workers in our school district created this presentation. It will focus on recognizing the signs of suicidal thoughts, what to do if one suspects them or a friend might be having these thoughts, and, most importantly, we will be communicating that there is help available and that treatment is successful. We will focus on hope and resiliency in this presentation. After the presentation, counselors will be available to speak with any students who may want to further discuss the presentation. This is a very important topic to talk with our students about, but we recognize that it may be difficult for some students who may have a personal experience with it. Those students are welcome to talk with their counselor prior to Wednesday and we will put them on a list to come the main office during the presentation.

#### **The Week Ahead:**

2/13-SBO Election Meeting -in library @ 3:00pm-7<sup>th</sup> Graders only  
2/14-Girls Volleyball @ Home, Wrestling @ Evergreen  
2/15-Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00pm-7:00pm  
2/16-Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00pm-7:00pm  
2/17-No School Comp Day for PTC  
2/20-No School – President's Day

That's all until next week!  
John Anderson  
Principal