



# TROJAN NEWS

## September 2018

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### Changes for 2018-2019

Welcome to the new school year! It's been a great first few weeks with many changes. Here's a recap of what's new.

**Renovations:** Our office area has been moved to allow for a more secure entry. We were also able to repurpose some old office space to include an updated computer lab, a new room for instructional support, and a community room for special events. The Medaryville Nursery School also moved in.

**Pick Up/Drop Off Procedures:** We've updated our pick up/drop off procedures based on the new secure entrances. Instructions were sent home, and there's continual tweaking that is ever-evolving. We greatly appreciate the community's positive reception.

**Security, Security, Security:** If you're around the school much, you've probably encountered a locked door you didn't expect. We apologize for the hiccups and imperfections along the way as we tweak the system to improve our secure building. We'll get there.

**E-Learning:** West Central is planning to institute eLearning days *on the day* of a school cancelation due to weather, as other schools nearby do. We will be piloting the process on Wednesday, September 26, 2018. Staff members will be at school to answer questions, and students will be at home as if it were a school cancelation. This will be practice for the real thing. More information will be forthcoming.

I want to personally thank everyone who put in extra work to open up school on-time, particularly custodians and technology staff. Also, gratitude goes to everyone who's been patient through delays and uncertainties. Despite the obstacles and setbacks, we've had a great first few weeks. This is due to our dedicated staff and our outstanding community.

### Special Points of interest:

Sept. 3- No School- Labor day

Sept. 11- Picture Day

Sept. 26- ELearning Day

### Upcoming events:

Oct. 8- PTC Mtg. 3:00

Oct. 15-Parent Teacher Conferences 3:00-7:00

Oct. 16- Parent Teacher Conferences 3:00-6:00

Oct. 18-Oct. 22 Fall Break/No School

Oct. 29-Nov. 2 Book Fair

Oct. 30- Family Literacy Night





### West Central welcomes Kristen Mellon as our new school nurse

Upon graduating from WC I attended Purdue University obtaining a bachelors's degree in Nursing. After graduation I married the love of my life, Drew Mellon and we have 3 precious children all in school this year! I have been a nurse in the hospital setting for 10 years in the emergency and outpatient surgery departments and loved both areas of nursing. I taught the Health Careers class at WC for 2 years and after having our third child we decided it was best for me to stay at home with our children.

I am thrilled to be back at WC and doing one thing I love....Nursing! I look forward to taking care of the students at WC!



### West Central welcomes Mrs. Pelsy as a new 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher

I grew up in Francesville and went to school at West Central. After graduating from Purdue with a double major in Special Education and Elementary Education, I worked at Happy Hollow Elementary for two years. I felt lead to come back to Francesville so I bought a house and found a job at North White Elementary for two years. I am thankful to be back at West Central! I enjoy spending time with my family, playing piano, photography and baking. I was recently married in the summer of 2018 and am transitioning from Miss Putt to Mrs. Pelsy.

## News from our new school nurse Mrs. Kristen Mellon

Welcome back to another year of learning with the hopes of staying healthy!! With the flu season quickly approaching, your children need adequate sleep without the interruption of TV/electronic devices, a healthy nutritious diet, and extra Vitamin C.

Any medications needed during the school day must be taken to the office in its original container and given with a parents' permission note.

The Lions Club will graciously be doing vision screenings on all 3rd, 5th, and 8th graders again this year on September 17th. Please be sure to have your student bring their glasses if they wear them.

Dr. Moyer the optometrist will also be donating her time and services on September 27th to screen our 1st graders. Again, please be sure to have your child bring his/her glasses that day. Thanks Dr. Moyer and the Lions Club!

Why do elementary students wear swim caps?

There are several reasons students wear swim caps. Our first priority is safety. Students start in a yellow cap. This means students have not met all requirements for being a safe swimmer. They may struggle in deep water, or not feel comfortable in certain part of the pool. As they pass their skills tests they will move up in color. Our cap colors are yellow, green, blue, red, purple and black. All aquatic staff understands these colors and what the swimmer is capable of doing. Lifeguards can quickly detect if a student is not safe. This also gives them a goal. Most students want to achieve the next color up.

Caps also keep hair dry and out of the pool. Our students swim during the cold months. We strive to keep hair as dry as possible. Once students are sent back to the locker area, it is fast paced. We need to use our time wisely to get them back to class as quick as possible. Dry hair makes this much easier. Our pool also sees many swimmers in a week. Keeping hair tied back or in a cap helps keep our water clean.

**Gym/Swim is right around the corner! This is a friendly reminder that your child will need a suit and towel. Girls suits must cover their stomachs. We have our first day beginning November 5.**

Open Swim Options - Family and Community Fun!

Tuesday & Thursday

6:30pm - 8:00pm

\$1.00 per swimmer

Monday-Wednesday-Friday

3:00pm - 4:30pm

\$1.00 per swimmer

Swim Club Schedule

You may now register ahead for Swim Club through the remainder of 2018!

Please fill out the form and enclose payment. Registration forms can always be found in the elementary office or pool area. You may also email Mrs. Williams with questions at [ewilliams@wcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:ewilliams@wcsc.k12.in.us) or check our facebook page *West Central Pool*.

**Note change in pick up procedures: Students should be picked up at the back doors by the pool. These doors will be unlocked at 3:15 pm.**

**Swim Club is every Monday and Wednesday**

**3:00 - 4:00pm**

<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>
Levels 2 & 3	Levels 3 & 4	Levels 4, 5 & 6	North Pole Relays and Reindeer Games
\$24.50 (family discount/siblings only \$20.00)	\$24.50 (family discount/siblings only \$20.00)  (No class the 29th or 31st)	\$24.50 (family discount/siblings only \$20.00)	Open to all swimmers
			<b>\$10.00</b>

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Which month are you registering for? \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Cap Color \_\_\_\_\_ Reminder - Text or Call

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Enclosed - Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

My child will be staying AFTER Swim Club for the remaining time of Open Swim - Yes No

## News from the **Trojan Market**

The **Trojan Market** is the place where great customers come to engage in filling their bodies with nutritious foods that will help them become better students.

The **Trojan Market** offers a wonderful breakfast selection to help fill the needs of all of our customers. We enjoy serving the great minds of the future.

Check out our breakfast and lunch menu on the website and pick a date to come to our **Trojan Market Restaurant** and enjoy a meal with your child.

Low cost meals that really are a delight and the children love to show off their guest when you enjoy a meal with them.

## Don't Forget About Box Tops & School Spirit Points!

Each Box Top and School Spirit point means **money for our school!** Just look for the Box Top and School Spirit logos, clip out the proof-of-purchase symbols (UPCs) and send them to school with your child. School Spirit points don't expire, but be sure to check the expiration dates for the Box Tops.

Go to <https://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/participating-products> for a complete list of Box Tops participating products, which includes Betty Crocker, Scott, Hefty, Ziploc, Paper Mate and Nature Valley products. Or go to <https://www.boxtops4education.com/bonusapp/how-it-works> to learn more about how to use the Box Tops app.

Go to <http://schoolspiritprograms.com/all-eligible-products/> for a complete list of participating School Spirit products, which includes Aunt Millie's, Soft N Good, Sunbeam, and Snack Planet products.

Show your school spirit! Clip those UPCs!



## The 2018-2019 WCES Parent Teacher Council

### No Hassle Fundraiser

Tired of being hit up by fundraisers? Then this is for you! Donate now and your conscience can be clear for the rest of the year. If we meet our goal of \$6,000 we won't have to bother you with fundraisers again.

PTC funds support family events, classroom enhancement/supplies, field trip expenses, staff appreciation, and much, much more! Recent purchases include a recess ball cart, hallway classroom signs, and ice cream at Meet the Teacher.

And all contributions are tax deductible. Consider asking local businesses, friends and family to donate. No donation is too small. Can't donate now? That's okay! You can donate anytime, all year long. Whether it's now or later, mail cash or checks (payable to 'PTC') to: **WCES PTC 1842 S US 421 Francesville, IN 47946**