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## TJ WALKER MIDDLE SCHOOL – OCTOBER 2016

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### **PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE: Moved to Monday, October 10 at 4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

We will be attempting to forgo appointments this year for Parent/Teacher Conferences. It will be first come, first serve with all teachers located in the middle school gym. Middle school students are encouraged to attend conferences with their parents.

**LIBRARY:** The middle school library will be holding a book fair October 10 – 13. It will be open during school hours and also during Parent/Teacher Conferences.

**PROGRESS REPORTS:** Included with this mailing.

**STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTION TIME:** During the second week of school, each homeroom elected its Student Council representative for the 2016-17 school year. Representatives collect ideas for Council activities, report results of Council actions, and attend all Council functions. Here are this year's representatives:

**6<sup>th</sup> grade** – Ava Brauer, Madelyn Wind, Ellen Tellstrom, Sydney Jeanquart, Scarlet Serafico, Trevina Chanda, and Christy Braun

**7<sup>th</sup> grade** – Maggie Stephens, Kayley Bell, Sam Parenteau, Brianna Rivera, Phoenix Mayo, and Scout Feldman

**8<sup>th</sup> grade** – Stella Serafico, Cabria Zuehlke, Maycee Dettman, Ella Jeanquart, Abbie Lenius, Elena LeRoy, Hailey Riesen, Natalie Shefchik, Isabella Dippel, Grace Alberts, and Maggie Richard

Student Council will also hold its own election for 8<sup>th</sup> grade officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer) the week of Oct. 10. Representatives meet every Thursday at lunch to plan school activities and service projects. Student Council has already sponsored the first dance and is looking forward to its next activity, planning a Spirit Week for Homecoming, October 10-14.

**HOMECOMING SPIRIT WEEK:** T. J. Walker wants to have some Homecoming fun! We will have dress up days for the week and the homeroom in each grade with the highest participation will get a yummy treat. We will also have a Penny War between grades with the proceeds going to Door Cancer.

### **Dress-up Days:**

Monday: Pink Out – Wear pink in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Tuesday: Hat Day – You get to break the school dress code and wear hats.

Wednesday: Mismatch Day - Dress in stripes, plaids, polka-dots, etc.; the more mismatched the better.

Thursday: T-Shirt Day – It is Throwback Thursday to kindergarten, so wear your favorite t-shirt and rock it!

Friday: Clipper Day – I know you can't hide that Clipper pride, so wear red and white.

**6<sup>th</sup> GRADE ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIG:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Big Dig returned this September and October as students became real life archaeologists. Students became archaeologists using hands on practicum experiencing interactive learning by discovering artifacts that link our present and past. Two days were spent at the Ida Bay property and two days on the Big Creek property that is on the bay side of Utah Street. Read about last year's Big Dig online <http://fox11online.com/news/local/lakeshore/students-join-in-archaeological-dig>

**THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS:** Volunteers share their time and talents without compensation, so it's crucial to acknowledge their contributions. Volunteers are worth their weight in gold. We proudly announce to the following volunteers that we appreciate your support and commitment to our students and school.

- Kim Adams, for spearheading the first individual fundraiser for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade D.C. trip by organizing a Sonny's frozen pizza sale in May 2016.
- Kay Abeyta and Tammy Kroll, for organizing grocery bagging dates at Pick N' Save and Econo Foods that have taken place over the summer and continue still to raise funds for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade D.C. trip.
- Bryan "Woody" Wodack, for creating and donating an 8<sup>th</sup> Grade D.C. Trip banner that has been displayed at each of the grocery bagging events and may be used for years to come.
- Teri Hooker, for chairing the Century Ride group fundraising event. This event brings in the most money for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade D.C. trip in a single day!

- Jen Nellis, for taking on the task of being in charge of the Seroogy's candy bar individual 8<sup>th</sup> grade D.C. trip fundraiser. This fundraiser began last spring and will continue throughout the school year.
- Jerry Knutson is a retired Tech. Ed. teacher from our district and has been helping John Rosenthal with the 6<sup>th</sup> grade Exploratory Class. Jerry's extra set of eyes and expertise is invaluable.

**8<sup>th</sup> GRADE FUNDRAISING UPDATE:** Washington, D.C. fundraising is well on its way! Please visit the [8th Grade D.C. Trip Information](#) page on the Sturgeon Bay School District website for all upcoming events and opportunities.

**Reminders:**

- **Youngers coupon books** – Students may pick up books to sell or drop off money from the sale of books with Mrs. Brauer in the middle school office.
- **Youngers Community Days** – Sign up in the office if you can work any of the following shifts.
  - **Saturday, October 22 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
  - **Saturday, October 22 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**
  - **Saturday, October 29 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**
  - **Saturday, November 5 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
  - **Saturday, November 5 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**
- **Seroogy's candy bars** – Please contact Jen Nellis at 920-495-0453 or [jmathias2001@gmail.com](mailto:jmathias2001@gmail.com) if your child would like to sell candy bars. Money from sales can be turned in to the middle school office.
- **Econo Foods Receipts** – Please keep saving them! There is a drop off for them in the middle school office.
- **Econo Foods Grocery Bagging:**
  - **Sunday, October 23**
  - **Sunday November 13**
  - **Sunday, December 11**
- **Middle School Winter Sports Concessions** – We are still looking for a chairperson. If you are interested, please contact either Lori Mellen at 920-495-5238 or [mellenheads@gmail.com](mailto:mellenheads@gmail.com) or Dena Barganz at 920-256-1463 or [Barganz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Barganz@sbcglobal.net).
- **Pick N' Save Grocery Bagging**
  - **Saturday, October 8**
  - **Saturday, November 12**

**FREE IMMUNIZATION CLINIC:** The Door County Public Health Department will be providing a **FREE** school based Immunization Clinic on Tuesday, October 27 to any student in grades 6-12 regardless of insurance status. In order for your child to receive vaccines you must: **Complete a vaccine consent form and return.** You can review Vaccine Information Sheets at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/index.html>. Forms are available in the middle school office or call Sue Powers with Door County Public Health at 920-746-2361.

**PICTURE RETAKES:** Picture re-takes are scheduled for Tuesday, October 18.

**POWER SCHOOL:** Power School Parent Portal Assistance – For help setting up your Power School Parent Account, or if you previously set-up an account and need help with your username and password, contact Mary Nickel at 920-746-3876 or email [mnickel@sturbay.k12.wi.us](mailto:mnickel@sturbay.k12.wi.us) or stop by our Technology workshop during Parent/Teacher Conferences on October 10.

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- Oct. 7 Teacher In-service (No School)
- \*\* Check our website at [www.sturbay.k12.wi.us](http://www.sturbay.k12.wi.us) for an updated school calendar.\*\*
- Oct. 10 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.
- Oct. 12 Allied Arts Field Trip to Peninsula Players
- Oct. 13 Apple Crunch Day
- Oct. 18 Picture Retakes
- Oct. 25 Fall Band Concert 7:00 p.m.
- Oct. 26 Allied Arts Trip to Milwaukee
- Oct. 27 Immunization Clinic



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