

The Monthly Parent Newsletter: Whale Express October Edition

Wheatley Education Camus

OCTOBER 2017—SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Principal: Dr. Plenty

Happy October Dynamic Wheatley EC Families & Community,

Important Dates:

PTO Meeting 10/11 @3:30pm

No School 10/27

LSAT Meeting 10/27 @8:10am

October is Bullying Prevention Month Month

October is College Awareness Month We are eager to start the 7th week of school. Every month we are encouraging students to come to school every day! On time and daily attendance continues to be a **chronic issue** at Wheatley EC. When your children don't come to school or when they leave early, they are missing out on instruction and it shows in their test scores and their ability to follow an instructional routine.

At Wheatley EC, high-quality rigorous instruction begins at **8:45 AM**. Please be prompt in arriving at school on time each morning. It is very important that students stay at school all day. If it is necessary to schedule a doctor's appointment during the day, please sign your child out from the office before 3:00pm. Every minute counts ... even up to the last minute! Please give teachers the opportunity to teach your child until **3:15 PM**. This is a friendly reminder that there will be no parent pick up between the hours of 3:00 and 3:15, in order to allow our teachers to prepare for dismissal. Parents who pick children up in the afternoon and arrive after 3:00 PM are welcome to wait in the main foyer. Students will come down at 3:15 PM for dismissal. We appreciate your support in protecting instructional time in order to ensure student success.

Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student's academic success starting in pre-kindergarten and continuing through high school. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school safely every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and in their future careers. Let's pledge to prioritize **ON TIME** arrival and **DAILY ATTENDANCE**. As a school, we pledge to give your child 100% each day to ensure that they are making academic and social gains while in school! My door is always open, don't forget to stop in and say HELLO and attend the monthly parent breakfast the last Friday of each month.

Sincerely,

Dr. Plenty — Principal

THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT!

"Every child deserves a champion – an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection, and insists that they become the best that they can possibly be."





Highlights from September included:

- 1. Monthly Parent Breakfast! Yummy pancakes were served and parents learned about the Comprehensive School Plan.
- 2. Ms. Wozniak's homeroom had perfect attendance several times!! YAY!!
- 3. Back to School Night was a huge success. Ms. McDonald, our PTO president, gave warm greetings!
- 4. Redskins Fitt Team came and had some physical fitness fun with our middle school scholars.