

Pioneer Press

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Plank North Newsletter Message – April 2025

With April arriving, another school year is closing in! We now have 50 school days left. Let's work together to make the most of these days! Mark your calendar for Spring Recess - there will be no school (PreK-12) April 14 – 18, 2025.

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Class placement of the students is a significant decision with many perspectives to consider. Recognizing the importance of a child's classroom assignment doesn't make it any easier. From the school's perspective our ability to locate students with similar learning needs can be very helpful in scheduling the services these students require to help them be successful academically. This school-based need takes on more significance with the growth of support services provided to the students. I ask that parents be open to the placement needs identified by your child's teacher. With the above in mind, parents are asked to only provide input that would seriously impact your child's ability to be successful in school. **The request for a specific teacher isn't a part of this process.** We recognize the need to maintain open lines of communication and will consider information about your child and what suits their learning from your perspective. Please provide this information in writing by May 1st to the Office of the Principal.

48th Annual Community Arts Day – May 10 at Webster Schroeder High School

The Webster Central PTSA is holding this treasured One Webster tradition on Saturday, May 10, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Webster Schroeder High School.

Community Arts Day (CAD) is a Webster PTSA sponsored event, created in 1976 as a joint venture with each of Webster's schools to raise money to support cultural arts activities in our 11 buildings. CAD showcases our children's artistic, vocal, musical, and theatrical talents. It also involves the whole community in a day to celebrate cultural arts, bringing in 2000+ people to enjoy activities from art displays, musical performances, craft demonstrations, community exhibits, craft vendors, sweet treats, a carnival space, and so much more!

Spry 5 go 6 Parent Night for parents of 5th graders as students transition to Spry Middle School for the 25-26 school year

Tuesday, May 27th at 6:30 pm

Spry Middle School – 119 South Avenue, Webster

As part of Parent Night, Spry Middle School staff will share information regarding the middle school program and how to ensure a smooth, supported transition. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Spry Middle School Counseling Office at 585-216-0045.

Kindergarten Registration

Just a reminder that registration for kindergarten for the 25-26 school year is open and completely online! Parents/guardians who have a child who will be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2025, that child is eligible for kindergarten enrollment for the 25-26 school year. If you have existing children in the Webster CSD, please go through your parent portal account to register as it will pre-fill in most of the application for you. If you are a new family to the district, please go to websterschools.org/registration for more information and to complete the 100% online process.

If you have any questions, please contact WCSD Student Registration at 585-216-0029.

Notification for Class Placement for the 2025/26 School Year

Just a reminder that class placement information for the 25-26 school year will be shared in August. The reality is that many families move in the spring and summer, and this gives us, as a building and a district, more flexibility to make sure we meet the needs of all kids. This will also help avoid those rare situations where students are told they will have one teacher only to have that change over the summer due to unforeseen changes. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have!

WCSD School Calendar for 2025-26

At its meeting Tuesday, March 11, the Webster CSD Board of Education approved the calendar for the 2025-26 school year. All One Webster students, grades PreK-12, will begin classes Tuesday, September 2, 2025. The full calendar is provided on the District Calendar web page.

Yours in partnership,

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REDEMPTION PROGRAMS

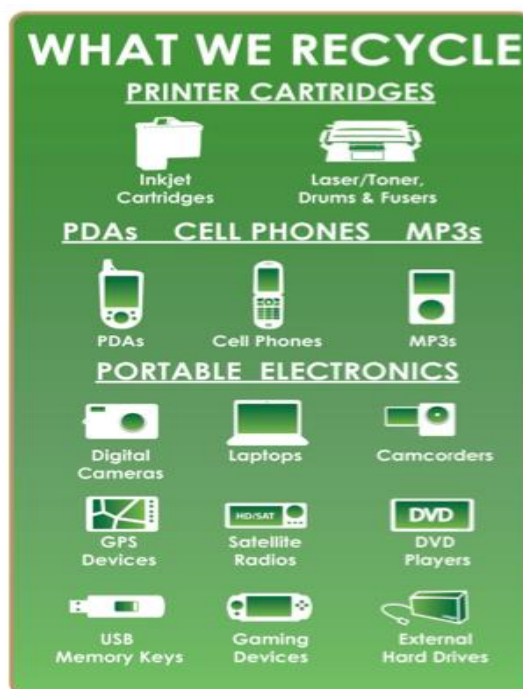
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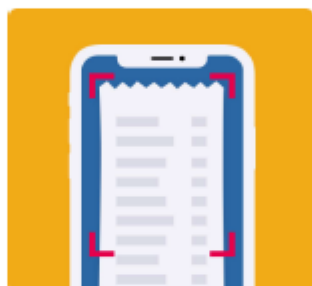


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Bottle/Can Donation at Nickel Back Bottle & Can Return!



Does your family have bottles/cans sitting around to be returned? Please consider donating them to the Plank North PTSA! All funds raised will be used towards activities, programs, etc. at Plank North!

- * All bottles and cans with NYS \$.05 deposits are welcome: fast, friendly hassle-free drop off!
- * No fees involved, the Plank North PTSA will receive all funds for bottles and cans returned!
- * Please label your bags "Plank North Elementary School" prior to drop off!

Location:

Nickel Back Bottle & Can Return
659 Ridge Road
Webster, NY 14580
Call for hours: (585) 690-5805



(Behind Hadlock's House of Paint building, next to Bowling Alley)

You are also welcome to email the Plank North PTSA and we will pick-up your bags!
pnptsa@websterptsa.org



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Webster CSD Invites Senior Citizens for Drama Performance!

Webster CSD is inviting senior citizens residing within the district to come to Webster Schroeder High School for a morning of light refreshments and a special performance of The Café Mocha Murders.

Registration is online at the link below, and a \$5 donation is requested, at the door before the event, to help cover the cost of the performance. Deadline for registration is Friday, April 11.

The performance for Webster CSD senior citizens is Wednesday, April 30. Doors open at 9:15 a.m. with senior citizens checking in before heading over to enjoy some light refreshments. The show will start at 10:00 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m.

Webster Schroeder High School Presents

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025
SENIOR CITIZENS PERFORMANCE
 Doors open at 9:15 AM. Show at 10:00 AM

Webster Schroeder High School Auditorium: 875 Ridge Road, Webster
 Preregistration online required by Friday, April 11 at
www.websterschools.org/seniorday
 A \$5 donation is suggested, to be paid upon arrival.
 Light refreshments served 9:15-9:45AM
 Questions? Call Jenifer Calus at (585) 216-0101

The Café Mocha Murders

Despite the raging storm outside, it seems like a perfectly normal night for an employee meeting at the local coffee shop, The Bean Shack. That is, until the lights go out, and someone winds up dead! In this over-the-top whodunit by Deanna Strasse, it's all about latte art, caffeine content and the imminent threat of death.

[Registration Link](#)

Stay Connected!

With all of the exciting events happening in our district, be sure to stay informed by following the district on Facebook or visiting our district website. Together, we thrive and make a positive impact on our schools and community! Please reach out to us to learn more about our district goals or visit the [Webster CSD Board of Education website](#).

“LIKE” us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/WebsterCentralSchools

Visit our website: www.websterschools.org

Be sure to join us for these upcoming board meetings:

- Tuesday, April 8 - Board of Education Workshop, Agenda: Budget Workshop #3, Spry MS, 2nd floor PDC - 5:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 22 - Board of Education Regular Business Meeting, Agenda: Budget Adoption, Spry MS, 2nd floor PDC - 5:00 p.m.



Music “Notes”



By Miss Mossey

While this article will be read in April, it is being written in March, when many people are celebrating Music in Our Schools month. Some people may think that music class is a “break” from the regular classroom; that it’s about singing songs and playing instruments; that it’s an “extra” part of a student’s education. While they are partially right, have you thought about how closely music ties in with the rest of your child’s school day?

Math- While it is a simplified form of math, counting and listening to music that has beats in groups of 2’s and 3’s is a skill that is addressed in all grade levels. Fractions come into play when learning about rhythmic note values.

Science- Music is a science in itself which deals with different ways to produce and change sound, acoustics, and timbre.

History- By learning about music from the past, students gain insight into a composer’s ideas and feelings and gain insight into a different time from our own.

Geography- Music is universal, yet unique to every culture. By learning about music from other countries, we gain an appreciation for another’s culture and way of life.

Physical Education- In some countries, the words for “music” and “dance” are the same. For them, dancing IS music and music IS dance. From kindergarteners stepping the steady beat to fifth graders performing a complicated folk dance, music is in our bodies and in our soul. (When was the last time you grooved to the beat when you thought no one was looking?)

I haven’t even covered how music encompasses language arts, visual art, and foreign languages! So you see, music is everywhere, and it’s more than just an “extra” class in school.

Thank you for your support of music in Webster schools. When your child comes home and won’t stop singing the song they learned in music class, when you have to sit and listen to your budding instrumentalist practice, and when you sit through a school concert, realize that music is the language that connects all subject areas, creates a bond between people, and allows us to express what words alone cannot.

-Miss Mossey

Library News

Jen McCorry
School Librarian

We are currently in the Final Four Round of March Book Madness. Our Championship pair will be announced on April 4th and the winner crowned before we leave for Spring Break. Will it be Buffalo Fluffalo, We are Going to be Pals, The Book that Can Read Your Mind, or Mr. Fox's Game of No? We will soon see! Be sure to ask your child about these fun books!

Fifth graders are busily reading and gearing up for the Battle of the Books that will kick off at the end of this month. Please encourage your fifth grader to read their share (and maybe even some extra) to help their team when they come to battle!

The Reading Can Take You Anywhere challenge for April will be to think about the setting (where and/or when the story takes place). Please encourage your child to read any story in the form of a book, short story in a magazine or even an eBook so they can have an opportunity to stamp the Plank North Passport! Be on the lookout for the Parent Square email with the link to the Google form to participate.

As always, thank you for your continued support by encouraging your child to show good book care and to return their books on library day. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

Happy Reading!



Plank North Physical Education
Students of the Month – **April**

Mrs. Craig and Mr. Sayers are very proud of all the students at Plank Road North Elementary. We would like to take this time to recognize two 5th grade students that have demonstrated characteristics that were extraordinary this month. These students have shown that they are working continuously at a high level of achievement. A student must go above and beyond what is expected of them, and demonstrate they are not only an outstanding student of Physical Education, but also a superior member of the Plank Road North community. Characteristics exhibited include the Webster essential skills, personal living skills, and skillful moving. Congratulations to this month's recipients **Abby Rokosz** and **Lucas Flynn** for the month of April. Mrs. Craig and Mr. Sayers sat down with the students to ask them a few questions, and here are the responses.

Abby Rokosz is a 5th grader in Mrs. Peffley's class where her favorite subject is math. Outside of school, Abby plays softball on the Penfield Travel Team in the position of pitcher. At school Abby is on the Plank North Safety Patrol in the job of an art helper. Abby is also a Girl Scout who happens to sell a lot of cookies! If you have Abby over for dinner her favorite food is cheese pizza from anywhere. When Abby grows up she would like to become a stylist in a beauty salon. Abby's favorite teams to cheer for are the Buffalo Bills for football and the L.A. Dodgers for baseball.

Lucas Flynn is a fifth grader in Mrs. Peffley's class where his favorite subject is math. Outside of school Lucas plays football for the Webster Jr. Warriors in the position of running back. He also plays for the Webster Warthogs travel baseball team in the positions of shortstop and pitcher. At school Lucas is a member of the Plank North Safety Patrol as an outdoor safety. When asked what Lucas's favorite food is he answered pepperoni pizza from Pizza Hut. When Lucas grows up he would like to be a professional baseball player for the Orioles but would sign with anyone who offered. We asked Lucas what team he likes to cheer for and he has two: the Buffalo Bills for football and of course the Baltimore Orioles.

Congratulations to our Student Athletes of the Month!



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The Plank North PTSA in conjunction with MT Ed presents...



Performances:

Friday, April 4th at 6:00PM
Saturday, April 5th at 2:00PM & 6:00PM

Plank Road North Elementary School
705 Plank Rd, Webster, NY 14580



SEATING IS LIMITED

<https://alice-in-wonderland-jr-performance-tickets-25415.cheddarup.com>



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PLANK NORTH PTSA

GLOW party

FRIDAY APRIL 25TH
6:30-8:00 PM
PLANK NORTH CAFETERIA

DJ - PHOTOBOOTH - GAMES - SNACKS

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April 23, 2025*

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Questions? Contact PN PTSA ~ PNPTSA@websterptsa.org
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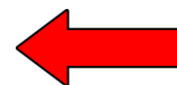



Parents/families, please purchase your PTSA membership today!

WebsterPTSA.org/JOIN

If you have not already purchased your PTSA Membership, please do so through the link above! The cost is \$10 per adult membership/\$5 per student membership.

\$6 of the adult membership comes back directly to Plank North to help us run fun events at our school! Also, your PTSA card gets you some wonderful discounts around town this year!



For those of you have already purchased, we are very appreciative of your support!

**Webster Public Library
872-7075**

For program information and up-to-the-minute news on what's new in the Children's Department, visit our blog:
wplkids.wordpress.com

WSCD K-5 Family Handbook

Have a question about your child's school day, school and district policies or PTSA programs?

The WSCD Handbook is a great place to start to have your questions answered. In an effort to be more eco-friendly, the handbook is now located on the school's website. You can find it here: www.websterschools.org/planknorth

The PTSA encourages parents to keep this reference book handy throughout the school year to answer questions that may pop up. If there is anything you would like to suggest adding to the handbook in future editions, or if you have any corrections, please contact us at pnptsa@websterptsa.org.

Thank you!



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