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Start of School and Early Release Dates 2012/2013

The 2012/2013 School Year will begin with a full-day on Tuesday, September 4, 2012.

Planned "Early Release" dates for the school year have been scheduled as follows: September 12 and 26; October 10 and 24; November 14 and 28; December 12; January 9 and 30; February 6 and 20; March 13 and 27; April 10 and 24; May 8 and 22; June 5



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Warren Woods Tower High School Top Graduates Class of 2012

Summa Cum Laude



Laura Ahee



Erisa Caka



John Drabik



Ali El-Ali



Samantha Kidd



Emily Pauling



Shela Vang



Matthew Yodhes

Magna Cum Laude

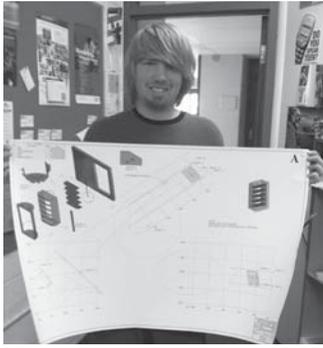
- Emily D'Agostino
- Carly Fardell
- George-Michael Higgins
- Grant Hildebrandt
- Mitchell Jowers
- Joshua Knost
- Chanel Metzler
- Zachary Moleski
- Haley Nanney
- Samantha Robert
- Alexandra Wilczak

Cum Laude

- Cassidy Allen
- Tib Cha
- Katie Jezierski
- Abigail Konieczny
- Xeng Lor
- Paula Meerschaert
- Jacob Price
- Jenna Schauer
- Rooshabh Shah
- Joseph Zannetti



In a cost cutting measure, this back-to-school newsletter has been printed in two-color rather than in full color.



Enterprise HS Senior Wins 3rd-Place in American Society of Body Engineers' Competition

We are proud to announce Warren Woods Enterprise High School senior Keith Machleit competed in the annual American Society of Body Engineers' state-wide high school Computer Aid Design (CAD) state championship competition this spring. Machleit's design earned him a Third Place award. He is posing with his award-winning Computer Aided Design (CAD) project. Keith was dual-enrolled in a Computer Aid Design class at Macomb Community College; and hopefully in the fall, Keith will begin an apprenticeship with General Motors Corporation through Macomb Community College. The entire staff at Enterprise High School is very proud of Keith Machleit.

Pinewood 3rd Graders Visit Gem Show at Macomb Community College

On October 14, the third graders at Pinewood Elementary went back in time to explore rocks, fossils, minerals, and gems. The students attended "Schools Day" at the annual gem show that was held at Macomb Community College. The event is sponsored by the Michigan Mineralogical Society. Here is what two third graders wrote about their field trip experience:

"When we went on a field trip I saw a lot of rocks. I would like to go there again. I liked two things at the field trip. Number one, in the way back that one guy ["Paleo Joe"] tells you about dinosaurs. Number two, you get to go gold digging. That is why I want to go there again."

"I saw so much [many] rocks on our field trip. I was happy with the place and I would go there again. I learned about dinosaurs. It was the best field trip ever."

By Mandy Renner and Emilee Ceunick



School of Choice Information:

Attention Parents! If you have moved or are moving over the summer to an out of district residence in Macomb County, you must apply for **Schools of Choice** by **August 3, 2012** to be considered for continued enrollment in Warren Woods. Applications may be obtained from the district website at:

www.warrenwoods.misd.net or by visiting the Administrative Services Center at 12900 Frazho Road, Warren, Michigan. For more information, contact Pupil Services at 586.439.4468.

Credential Exchange for Student Safety

Warren Woods Public Schools is always working towards making our buildings safer for your children. A best practice, which has been adopted by the school district's crisis team, is visitor credential exchange.

Beginning shortly, you will notice the following changes:

- People who visit our buildings during normal school hours will be required to turn in a photo ID to the front office receptionist in exchange for a brightly colored visitor badge and lanyard.
- When the visitors are ready to leave the building, they will get their photo ID back.

This improves safety by ensuring that all guests are easily identifiable with a colorful badge in lieu of visitor stickers which are typically hard to read and readily fall off. Additionally, the front office staff will have all of the pertinent information for anyone who is visiting and will be able to visually verify their identity. Working together with our community using the credential exchange program will help keep Warren Woods Public Schools a safe learning environment.



Learning *by* Doing

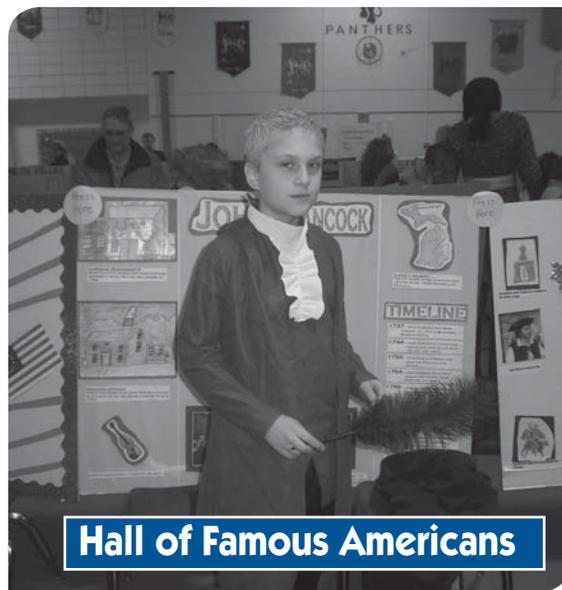
A Fifth Grade Approach

**By Mrs. Joanna Serra & Mrs. Christine Clark
5th Grade Team
Pinewood Elementary**

How do we get students to pay attention in a world where holding a child's interest and motivation is not as it has always been?

In the fifth grade, our belief is that we follow the common core but work in a cross-curricular way using hands-on approaches where possible. Throughout the school year, students experience work in cross-curricular projects using a hands-on approach and below we will highlight some examples.

Since Pinewood is a very Green school, we find ways to tie in Science to these efforts. The Invention Convention is a project and exhibit put together by students to assist them in understanding how the process of inventing a new product from existing reused items occurs. Using their inquiry processes, students develop a new product using their creative abilities along with knowledge of how things work. The more students understand about how things work, the history of their area of interest, and are alert of their surroundings, the better chance they have of thinking up and developing solutions to problems that lead to inventions while caring for our Earth. With this convention, students support their scientific inquiry thinking by composing a persuasive essay as well, tying into our writing workshop.



Hall of Famous Americans



"Trashion" Show

Another project that students use scientific thinking in is the creation and development of recycled "wearable" items. The name of this culminating event is the "Trashion" Show where students display their final products on a runway in a transformed gym filled with observing families. One person's trash can be someone else's treasure and this project guides students in internalizing the overflow of landfills and finding solutions to this problem in their own small yet important way.

Let us not forget about history! Our Hall of Famous Americans is a wax museum where students study, analyze and portray a character in first-person. During participation, they used their research skills to get into the mind of the historical figure and act the character out in a personal way during a time when families and other students visit and learn from them. The students actually get to teach, how cool is that? After all, didn't Confucius himself say "I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand"?

Feel free to visit our classroom website:

<http://www.sites.google.com/site/super5thgrade>

Warren Woods Early Childhood Center

NOW ENROLLING

Early Childhood: 6 wks. - 3 years

Full Time/Part Time Preschool: 3 - 5 years

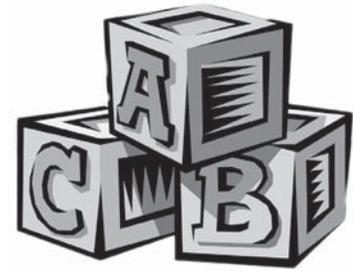
Hours of Operation: 6:30 am - 6:00 pm M-F

Full Time and Part Time rates are available.

12900 Frazbo Road

(located in the Warren Woods Public Schools Education Center)

For more information call Sandee Howard at 586-439-4885 showard@waw.misd.net or Dena Russo 586-439-4882 drusso@waw.misd.net



School Age Child Care Summer Camp

NOW ENROLLING

K-8 grade (children must have already completed Kindergarten.)

Hours of Operation: 6:30 am - 6:00 pm M-F

Located in Westwood Elementary

\$77.00 Registration Fee

Registration fee will help cover special activities, field trips, entertainment, snacks, and much more!

Lunch and Breakfast will be provided daily.

For more information call Christy Wilkins at 586-439-4885 cwilkins@waw.misd.net or Dena Russo 586-439-4882 drusso@waw.misd.net

Students: Are you Military Connected?

Attention, all families: Did you know it is estimated that 14,000 Michigan children have parents who are currently actively serving in the military? To this date, only 2,500 children are identified as military connected. In order to better serve our children and families we would like to identify our military connected children. There are resources we can provide to the children of our military service men and women.

DEFINITION OF MILITARY-CONNECTED CHILDREN

All children residing in Michigan whose parent(s) currently serve in any component of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard are considered to be military-connected children. This includes the children of any uniformed personnel serving with the Michigan National Guard, in any of the Reserve United States forces, or on Active Duty.

If you or your spouse are currently serving in the military or reserves as defined above, please take the time to call 586-439-4468 or email: rfarina@waw.misd.net with the following information: Parents Name serving in military, Branch of Service, Assigned Station:, List all students in your household including name, grade and school:



Web Resources for Families of Military Connected Children

Operation Military Kids:

<http://www.operationmilitarykids.org/public/statePOCHome.aspx?state=Michigan>

Michigan State University Extension - 4-H Youth Development has launched the Operation: Military Kids (OMK) program. Michigan OMK mission is to build community partnerships to increase capacity for youth, families and communities to support youth of military families.

Our Military Kids

<http://www.ourmilitarykids.org/>

Provide grants to deployed military families to participate in activities such as football, horseback riding, music lessons, karate, dance and much more.

This Emotional Life

<http://www.pbs.org/thisemotionallife/campaign/helping-military-families>

A handbook and video for the family and friends of those serving in the United States Armed Forces. The one-of-a-kind resource was produced in consultation with medical, mental health and military family experts.

Blue Star Families

<http://www.bluestarfam.org>

Blue Star Families is a non-partisan, non-profit organization, created by real military families. We are committed to supporting one another through the unique challenges of military service and asking the larger civilian population to help as well, connecting military families regardless of rank, branch of service or physical location, and empowering military family members to create the best personal and family life possible for themselves.

Children on the Homefront: The Experience of Children From Military Families

<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/cgi/content/abstract/125/1/16>

STOMP | Specialized Training of Military Parents

<http://www.stompproject.org/>

Caring for a family member with special medical or educational needs. STOMP is the only National Parent Training and Information Center for military families providing support and advice to military parents without regard of the type of medical condition their child has.

FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH FOOD THAT'S IN WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT

**USDA SUMMER MEALS PROGRAM
WESTWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
11999 Martin, Warren, MI 48093**

Free meals will be available to children 18 years of age and under or persons up to the age of 26 who are enrolled in an educational program for the mentally or physically disabled that is recognized by a State or local public educational agency. Meals will be provided without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service.

QUESTIONS?? - PLEASE CALL FOOD SERVICE OFFICE 586-439-4450

**MONDAY – FRIDAY
MONDAY, JUNE 18TH - FRIDAY, AUGUST 17TH.
(NO MEALS WEEK OF JULY 2ND)**

**BREAKFAST: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
LUNCH: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**



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Warren Woods Preschool
Warren Woods Public Schools Education Center
12900 Frazho
Warren, MI 48089
Phone: (586) 439-4882
2012 Fall Registration

Registration begins immediately and continues until classes are full. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis. For additional information, please call Dena Russo at (586) 439-4882 between 7:00 am and 3:00 pm. You may drop your paperwork off between the hours of 6:30 am and 6:00 pm. No appointment is necessary.

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Mother/Guardian's Name: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Father/Guardian's Name: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Has your child previously attended a preschool program or Early Childhood program? Yes / No If yes, what is the name of the Preschool: _____ Early Childhood Program: _____

Please check the appropriate line: Warren Woods Public Schools Resident _____ Non-Resident _____

A Warren Woods Public Schools Resident is a child that *lives* in the Warren Woods Public School District, and will be attending Warren Woods Public Schools.

Preschool Cost:

Registration

A \$25.00 *Non-Refundable* registration fee is due at the time of each 15-week registration.

Tuition Cost – (Please indicate your 1st & 2nd choice.) You will be notified only if your 1st choice is not available.

			Warren Woods Resident Rate	Warren Woods Non-Resident Rate	Choice
Two-Day 2-hour program:					
T/Th	3 year old class	09:00-11:00	\$265.00	\$285.00	_____
Three-Day 2.5-hour program:					
M/W/F	4 year old class	09:00-11:30	\$495.00	\$515.00	_____
Four-Day 2.5-hour program:					
M/T/W/TH	4 year old class	12:15-02:45	\$660.00	\$680.00	_____

Payments:

Please pay by money order or check made out to “Warren Woods Public Schools” or “W.W.P.S.” You may also pay online at www.warrenwoods.misd.net. Click on PaySchools and then Child Care Fees.

Requirements:

To complete this registration, you must supply the following:

1. Birth Certificate (We will make a copy at the time of registration.)
2. Proof of immunization
3. Ethnicity Form
4. Child Information Record *completely* filled out
5. Health appraisal form filled out by your physician (You have 30 days to hand this in.)
6. Handbook Acknowledgement form/Media Release form (This is in the back of your handbook.)
7. Preschool Information form
8. Registration form with \$25.00 non-refundable registration fee

District Directory 2012



National Honor Society In-Step with Charity Walk

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C. Crocker	Principal – Westwood Elementary	(586) 439-4406
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D. Dubay	Career Development / CTE	(586) 439-4416
P. Minch	Food Service	(586) 439-4419
D. Russo	Child Care & Preschool	(586) 439-4882

Coordinators

K. Allen	Adult & Community Education	(586) 439-4408
D. Simeck	Special Education Supervisor	(586) 439-4455

On Saturday, May 5th, thirty current and former National Honor Society (NHS) students from Warren Woods Tower High School, along with staff, participated in the “Mind Over Matter” charity walk.

The walk raised money to bring awareness to mental conditions with a special focus on depression and suicide prevention. The NHS plans that proceeds from the walk will, in part, be used to bring a special awareness program to Warren Woods Tower High School during the 2012/2013 school year.

Board Meetings

Regular Board meetings are scheduled on the second Monday of each month. Special meetings are held as needed usually on the fourth Monday. Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. and are held at the Administrative Service Center, 12900 Frazho Road unless otherwise posted.

WWPS Website



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