# Worcester Central School

### Strive, Support, Succeed!

Fall 2019

#### Worcester Hose Company Presents Fire Prevention to WCS

Worcester Central School students spent a fun filled day learning fire prevention strategies from members of the Worcester Hose Company. As an added bonus some of those firefighters were our very own WCS secondary students.

Elementary students traveled to the fire house where they learned valuable lessons on fire safety and prevention. Under the theme "Not Every Hero Wears a Cape-Plan and Practice Your Escape", students also learned how to prepare for evacuating their own homes in the event of a fire.

Secondary students attended a presentation led by Mr. Jeffrey Schoeberl of the Worcester Hose Company in the school auditorium. Students learned the importance of prevention and the "Close the Door" campaign to keep toxic smoke out of a room and provide time to escape a fire. Mr. Schoeberl provided statistics for students and helped them to understand the need to take fire prevention seriously.



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#### **PBIS Kicks Off at WCS**

Worcester Central School started the year with a PBIS Kicks off. What is PBIS? PBIS stands for Positive Behavior Intervention & Supports. PBIS is a systems approach to creating and maintaining positive school climates where teachers can teach and students can learn. This evidence-based framework emphasizes preventing school discipline problems. PBIS provides ideas to support teaching, modeling, and recognizing positive, appropriate behavior in school and identifies systems for logically responding to classroom and individual student problems.

Worcester held a school wide kickoff to promote our own PBIS program. The purpose of the proactive schoolwide discipline plan at Worcester Central School is to promote a positive school climate by fostering accountability and independence through clear, common expectations for students and families.

In order to further develop a positive sense of school culture and community, Paw Pals have been established for the 2019-2020 school year. Paw Pals unite our elementary students with our secondary students and allow them to participate in activities together and provide mentorship. Our paired students are developing Paw Pal flags to represent each group of pals along with developing performance skits to promote important the core PBIS characteristics.





### **Speech and Debate Team Earns Top Honors**



The WCS Speech and Debate Team started the year where they left off with another successful competition. In their recent Forensics Debate competition at SUNY Oneonta the team earned many accolades. Evelyn Kersmanc and Elyza Schoeberl earned 1st place for performing 'A Brief Primer of Women's History' in the Junior High Duo Interpretation event. Elyza Schoeberl also earned 1st place for Junior High Impromptu Category with Evelyn Kersmanc earning second place in the same event. Maya Powers and Rylee Falcone earned third place for the Duo. Rylee Falcone also placed 3rd in the Original Oratory competition. Excellent job to team members Tyler Beverland, Leean Harris and Bella Head who also performed very well.



# WCS Student Recognized by Creating Rural Opportunities Partnership

Malena Fisher, a CROP peer leader at Worcester Central School, was recognized by the entire CROP organization. She is an outstanding peer leader who is never afraid to take on a challenge and is extremely dependable. Her ability to be flexible, to help wherever is needed and her strong work ethic make her a wonderful asset to the WCS Crop Program. Great job Malena!

#### **WCS Sparks School Spirit**

Worcester Central School started the school year with the annual student council soccer bonfire to show off our wolverine pride. The night was a collaborative effort with the Worcester Student Council and Worcester Sports Booster. The evening started with a dodgeball tournament for all ages. The fun continued outside with an epic dance party, and a parade of all the youth and varsity soccer teams. The bonfire was the grand finale which included introducing our Varsity Girls and Varsity Boys teams. WCS would like to thank all the volunteers. parents, students and staff who made the night a great success. We would also like to extend a very special thank you to the Worcester Hose Company for their help throughout the evening and in keeping our event safe.



### **American Red Cross Disaster Preparedness**

On October 8th, students and the community came to the WCS auditorium to learn valuable information from the American Red Cross. The Red Cross focused on how people can prepare in the event a national disaster or emergency. The American Red Cross also spent a portion of the time discussing ways to react to an active shooter situation. Thank you to those who were able to attend.



#### WCS on the Run

On October 19th the WCS Music Department hosted the 6th Annual Band on the Run 5K race/walk. This year over 100 runners and walkers participated in the event. The top male time was earned by Jeremy Southworth. Miriam



Odell achieved the top female time. The event included



a chicken barbecue prepared by Cargies and a basket raffle hosted by the Worcester Parent Teacher Organization. The Worcester Band is led by Mr. Andy Odell who on behalf of the band would like to extend a huge thank you to the many generous sponsors and to all those who helped make the day such a tremendous success. We look forward to seeing you all again next fall!

# WCS Pre-Kindergarten 2020-2021

- Have a child that will be age four by December 1, 2020?
- Would you like them to become a little WCS Wolverine?

Contact Winsome Zinkievich at (607) 397-8785 ext. 105. for enrollment information

Enrollment of PreK students is on a "first come, first served basis".

\*\*\*Your child will be added to our official waiting list once all completed registration paperwork is received.

PreK screening information will be available in spring 2020.



## Worcester & Schenevus Central Schools present



Music by Alan Menken Lyrics by Howard Ashman & Tim Rice Book by Linda Woolverton

Originally directed by Robert Jess Roth,

Originally Produced by Disney Theatrical Productions.

DISNEY'S BEAUTY AND THE BEAST is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI, www.MTIShows.com

Friday, November 8 & Saturday November 9, 2019 (7:00 pm) @ <u>Schenevus Central School</u> Friday, Nov. 15(7:00pm), Saturday, Nov. 16(7:00pm) & Sunday, Nov. 17(2:00pm) @ <u>Worcester Central School</u>

Admission: \$5.00 (Sr. Citizen – Free)
Reserved seating @ WCS– Contact the Main Office
For more info. call: Worcester Central School 397-8785

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### **Box Holder**

### **Approaching Events**

#### **November**

- 11 Veteran's Day-No School
- 15-17 Musical-"Beauty and the Beast"
- 20 Board of Education Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the library
- 27–29 Thanksgiving Break-No School

### **December**

- 11 Early Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.
- 12 Jr./Sr. Holiday Concert at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium
- 18 Board of Education Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the library
- 19 Elementary Holiday Concert at 1:30 p.m. in the gymnasium
- 23-January 3 Holiday Break-No School