

Center School Digital Backpack

September 18, 2015

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<http://www.centerelementary.ct.wde.schoolinsites.com/>

Reading Challenge Announced

Today I announced the 2015-2016 Reading Challenge to the students at our Center Stage. I've slept on the roof of the school, moved my office onto the roof and last year moved my office into the preschool house for the entire day. This year, if the students read 500,000 minutes by the end of the school year, each class will get the opportunity to soak me with a super soaker on the playground. Please help your child by encouraging them to read at home and helping them to return their reading logs. Thanks for your support!

CES Photos

This is a reminder that CES photos are next week. Please see the flyers for important information about pictures!

Mark Your Calendar

September

- 14-25 STAR Testing Window (gr. 2, 3 & 4)
- 18 Center Stage: hat day and CES t-shirt day
- 24 CES Photos
- 25 PTA Ice Cream Social, 6:30

October

- 1 CES Curriculum Night
- 2 National Custodial Worker Day
- 6 Flu Clinic 3:00-5:00PM
- 9 Staff Development, Minimum Day
- 9 Recess Games Day & Safety Day
- 12 Columbus Day, no school
- 12-16 National School Lunch Week
- 13 Staff Development Day, no school
- 16 Center Stage
- 17 SEPTO Parent Advocacy Workshop
- 19-23 National School Bus Safety week
- 20 PTA meeting, 6:30
- 21 SEPTO Meeting, 6:30
- 24 SEPTO Parent Advocacy Workshop

Flyers Attached

- CES Curriculum Night letter
- Recess Games Day Volunteer Letter

CES school photos
CES Substitute Search
SEPTO Membership Form
SEPTO program: Parent Advocacy Boot Camp
Willington PTA box tops
Willington Go-Card Deal
Willington Willing Workers 4-H Club

Previous Digital Backpack Items

Center Stage and Spirit Day: Hat Day and CES shirt day

Our first Center Stage and Spirit Day is next Friday, September 18th, and all the students should wear their Center School shirt and their favorite hat to show their community spirit.

CES Photo Packets

Photo order packets will be coming home next week in student backpacks!

Center School Directory Information VS PTA CES Directory

I wanted to clarify the difference between the Willington Public Schools directory information as seen in our student handbook (on the sign-off page) versus the PTA CES directory. These are two separate items with very different purposes. The sign-off page on the handbook contains information regarding what information the district can release about students (which doesn't happen often). The PTA CES directory contains information about your child which you can voluntarily provide. You don't have to share your contact information as part of the PTA directory, however I encourage you to share your information as it is a great resource (phone numbers and emails) to plan parties and play dates. Office staff is unable to share student contact information.

The Center School Digital Backpack is intended to provide parents with up-to-date school information. The Digital Backpack will be emailed to help us reduce the amount of paper we send home each week. Field trip permission forms, parent sign-off forms, and class specific items will still go home through backpacks, but school-wide announcements including handouts and informational items will be distributed through our *Digital Backpack*. Help us conserve paper by signing up for the *Digital Backpack*. Parents and community members can sign up for the Digital Backpack by emailing jcordier@willingtonct.org and writing subscribe (or unsubscribe) to Center School Digital Backpack.