



Week of September 16th

Hello Wasena Stars!

Reminders:

All Parents/Guardians: In accordance with RCPS safety and security procedures, no one is allowed in the school building at any time during the school day without signing in to the lobby kiosk with a valid ID and obtaining a visitor pass. *This includes both arrival and dismissal times.* Thank you for respecting these procedures and helping us keep our school community safe and secure!

Parents of Walkers: When dismissal begins at 2:45, please come onto the sidewalk close to Door 1 so that our staff can easily see you to send out your child. We are working hard to learn your faces and get students out quickly, but it is difficult to identify parents/guardians if you are far from the door on the lawn or the Canterbury sidewalk. Thank you for your help with this!

Parents of Bus Riders: Most students have received the bus badges to scan onto the bus in the mornings and afternoons. We have attached these to each student's bookbag. Please discuss with your student the importance of keeping up with this. There is no reason for it to be removed from the student's bookbag. If you have not downloaded the Zum parent app, please do so to track your student/bus and prevent missing the bus in the mornings or afternoons.

Here is a quick glance into Week #5:

Monday, 9/16 ~

- MAP Make-up testing for any students who missed their original testing day(s)

Tuesday, 9/17 ~

- Be on the lookout for our Tuesday folders
- MAP Make-up testing for any students who missed their original testing day(s)
- Hearing Screenings - Kindergarten and 3rd Grade students
- Vision Screenings - Kindergarten, 1st Grade, & 3rd Grade students

Wednesday, 9/18 ~

- Bus evacuation drill

Thursday, 9/19 ~

- Bus evacuation drill

Friday, 9/20 ~

Don't forget to join our PTA! Use this link to join: <https://wasena.givebacks.com/store?limit=21&live=true&category=Memberships>

NOTE: Lock-down Drill Notice

Each year, Virginia law requires schools to conduct lock-down drills. Virginia law also requires parents and guardians receive at least 24 hours' notice prior to each lock-down drill. On Friday, 9/13, we conducted our first lock-down drill. Our staff and students did a wonderful job practicing the safety procedures. Later this week, Wasena Elementary School will conduct the second required lock-down drill. As part of these drills, there will be a lock-down announcement broadcast throughout the school. We ask you continue to speak with your children about the importance of taking these drills seriously and following all instructions. Our Preschool and Kindergarten students are exempt from the lockdown drills within the first 60 days of school. We thank you for your understanding as we work to maintain a safe learning environment for our students.



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