

West Hills Middle School

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

I can hardly believe we are already into the third quarter of the school year. With the start of a new quarter comes a great opportunity for students to re-focus their efforts! Here at West Hills, we offer lots of great supports to help students be successful in school. Here are just a few ways your child can get extra help.

- Ask questions during class.
- Make arrangements with the teacher to get extra help before or after school.
- Attend tutorials for help with homework. Any student can come...just show up! Tutoring runs from 3 to 4 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday. Students must be in the tutoring room by 3:00 p.m. Math tutoring is available Tuesdays in room 328 with Mrs. Digerness and Thursdays in room 219 with Mrs. Habermeyer. Support for other subjects or general study needs (including computer use) is available Tuesdays and Thursday in the library media center with Mrs. Walker.
- Make effective use of LEAP Intervention Time.
- LEAP is built into our bell schedule following 3rd period, and is normally held three days a



week, offering students extra time and support for learning within the regular school day.

- Teachers can pull in a specific group of students during LEAP to re-teach those students who did not show understanding of a concept during regular instructional time.
- Teachers may also hold study sessions in their subject area to allow students time to work on assignments, with a teacher available to help them. Students may ask their teachers to request them for LEAP time on the department's assigned day.
- Students who have not been requested to go to a specific teacher during LEAP remain in their 3rd period class and are given time to work on homework or do additional reading or research.

Please encourage your child to take advantage of these opportunities as needed. We look forward to a great third quarter with our students!

Stacy Evans, principal
West Hills Middle School

LEAP

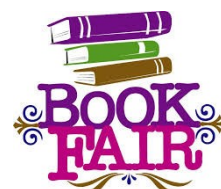
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PTSA WINTER STOMP: is February 10th 3-4pm in the gym. It's free for PTSA members and \$4.00 for everyone else. Buses will be available after the dance for students that ride them. Come have fun and enter a drawing for a prize.

BOOK FAIR:

The book fair is coming!! February 15-16th during student led conferences. It will be located in the main hall this time. Ask your TA teacher for a coupon to enter a drawing. Come guess how much candy is in the jar. The PTSA is feeding the teachers February 15 and 16 at 3pm. If you can donate food or help set up or clean up please contact: Violet Mills at violetmills2002@yahoo.com





MESSAGE FROM THE PTA PRESIDENT:

Happy New Year! I hope you had a fun and relaxing break, and are ready to take on 2017! The PTSA continues its mission to enhance our children's academic journey. The programs, services and events we sponsor are designed to make a meaningful impact on your child, while building a stronger, more engaged community. And of course, we can't do it without you — the parent, student, staff and community members of the PTSA. Your input and participation are at the heart of everything we do. Thank you!!

And last but not least, we will soon form a nominating committee to help us put together the 2017-2018 PTSA Board. I invite you to help us continue to make a difference by joining our wonderful and passionate team. Please feel free to reach out to me if you are interested. The PTSA looks forward to working with you to make this another great year.

Violet Mills, PTSA President
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REFLECTION WINNERS:

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE REFLECTION WINNERS...

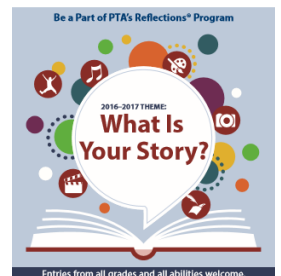
Dance

Ashlynd Loeser

Photography

Abby Brighton

These students will be representing West Hills at the region reflections competition.



SPRING MUSICAL



The upcoming production of Lion King Jr. will be this Spring, on March 9th through the 13th at 6:30pm in the school Auditorium.

Tickets are free of cost, and will be available at the main office after the 1st of March. Cash donations accepted and encouraged at the door. This will be the 5th year PTSA volunteers put on the school musical, with support from the Choir and Band departments. West Hills Musical productions have become a beloved community affair, due to the performances' quality and level of professionalism displayed on stage.

Don't miss this year's amazing show!





MEMORY BOOKS:

The Deadline for ordering Memory books for \$25 is February 28th. Please double check and make sure you have ordered and paid for yours. The instructions on how to check that is right here...



We don't want anyone to miss out on getting a memory book!!!

CLASSES AND COUNSELING SERVICES OFFERED TO JSD FAMILIES:

The Jordan Family Education Center (JFEC), housed at the River's Edge school, provides support services and classes for families and students in Jordan School District on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. These services are provided by the district's school psychologists, counselors, and school psychology interns and are available to families as a service of the district.

The winter quarter of classes begins the week of January 10, 2017. There will be a variety of parenting classes, anger management for adults, and a seminar entitled, "Safeguarding Our Children: A seminar for parents addressing bullying, Internet safety, substance abuse and suicide prevention." There are several classes available to elementary and secondary age students for support with social and emotional issues. Please refer to the class schedule on the Jordan School District web site, <http://jordandistrict.org/departments/jfec/>, or contact JFEC directly.

Child-centered family counseling is available to address short-term challenges.

For information about classes and counseling, call 801-565-7442.

Jordan Family Education Center
River's Edge School
319 West 11000 South
South Jordan, UT 84095

HOW TO DOUBLE CHECK THAT YOU HAVE ALREADY ORDERED A MEMORY BOOK & HOW TO ORDER A MEMORY BOOK (with your credit card)

TO DOUBLE CHECK:

Log in to your Family Access (Skyward) Account.

Click on the "Fee Management" link on the left side of the page

You can see at this point if you have already paid for a Memory Book - yay!

If not, please continue...

TO ORDER A MEMORY BOOK:

Click on the "Make A Payment" button to the right of the grid showing paid for items. A new window will open.

Click on the "Update Payment Amount" button next to the Fee Management Payment line. A new window will open again.

Click on the "Add" button next to Memory Book (it costs \$25.00 through February 28). The top of the screen will now show the fees due for the Memory Book. The box called "Pay Fee" should be checked.

Click on "Update Cart" in the middle/right of the screen. The screen will close and show a balance of \$25.00 in your "Pending Cart".

If you have another student and want to order another book, please repeat the above steps under their name. Once completed, do the following:

Click on the "Pay with Vendor" button. Now you will either log in or create an account **In eFunds** to use your credit card to pay for the Memory Book.

When you have finished, go back to the main page and check under "Fee Management" to verify that you have ordered the Memory Book correctly.

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