

## **WENDLER EVENTS:**

### **Upcoming Wendler Middle School Lock-In**

**We are excited to announce the first student lock-in that is scheduled for Friday, April 23rd from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM. \*\*Students will be able to participate in a round robin style basketball tournament, a dance, movies, computer games, cooking and food. The cost is \$20 in advance and allows students to participate in any or all of the above activities and includes two slices of pizza, three refills from the soda machine, and a bag of popcorn. Other snacks will be available for purchase.**

**Tickets can be purchased now in the front office until they are sold out.**

**\*\*Students must not have any In-School or Out of School Suspension beginning April 1.**

**If you are available to assist as a chaperone, please contact the front office and indicate the times you are available.**

**We are now on the downhill slide toward the end of the year. It's amazing how fast the time has flown by! As the sun comes out more and the weather becomes warmer, our dress code still stands. Please refrain from wearing articles of clothing that is against the dress code policy, as stated in our Middle School Handbook:**

***Dress-We take pride in the appearance of our students. All students are expected to dress and groom themselves appropriately, safely, and in a manner not disruptive to the learning environment. Sunglasses, hats/caps, saggy/baggy clothing, hanging belts, chains, pajama pants, exposed undergarments, bandanas, slippers, exposed tattoos, excessive piercings, clothes that are too tight or revealing, shirts with straps less than one inch wide, logos or captions that display or promote prohibited materials are prohibited. Shoes must be laced appropriately. All heavy coats, jackets, outerwear, backpacks and book bags are to be placed in your locker during the school day. Students with health or other extenuating concerns that may require one of these items during the day must see an administrator.***

## **SBA testing in April**

Our most important testing, **the Standards Based Assessments**, will be administered to all students **April 6-8** as well as 8th graders taking the science SBA **on April 1**. Make-up exams will be following week.

Please do everything you can to prepare you student to do well on these tests. This includes good sleep for the week, healthy and nutritious meals, and making sure students attend and arrive to Wendler on time. **Please make sure your student arrives to Wendler by 8:15!** The results of these tests are used to fulfill the Federal accountability requirements in the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) <http://www.asdk12.org/NCLB> laws. The results also do the following:

- Assess how well ASD students meet the State's Performance Standards
- Provide a comparison to the rest of the students in the nation
- Support instruction in ASD classrooms
- Guide school improvement **plans**

## **Two after school tutoring opportunities:**

**1 ASAP, Wendler's after school tutoring program will be every week on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3-4:30pm. It begins next week on March 23**

**2 ETS is a federal program that provides academic support to students. There is an application that must be filled out in order to receive services. After school tutoring will be provided as the schedule shows. See counselor for details or call 786-6700**

## **ASD Gifted Parent Discussion Group (hosted by Wendler Middle School)**

**A series of Gifted Parent Discussion Group meetings begins Jan. 20 for parents of gifted students districtwide, elementary through high school. Wendler Middle School will host the series, and gifted educator Linda Nagel will facilitate. (This is the series which was originally scheduled to begin Dec. 16; the first meeting was canceled due to weather.)**

**Meetings will take place on the following dates:**

**Feb. 24**

**April 14**

**Final meeting date TBA**

**Each meeting will be from 7-8:30 p.m. The first meeting will be in Room 139 at Wendler. If additional space is needed, later meetings may be held in the library.**

**If you have questions, feel free to contact me via phone or email. You also may email facilitator Linda Nagel directly [at nagel\\_linda@asdk12.org](mailto:nagel_linda@asdk12.org)**

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