



# Back to School

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## Congratulations to the Class of 2015 Top WWTHS Grads! Summa Cum Laude



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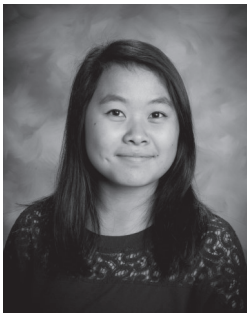
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# CALENDAR

## WWPS FALL 2015

Please verify dates and times in monthly school newsletters and on our website at [www.warrenwoods.misd.net](http://www.warrenwoods.misd.net).

### September

- 8 First day of school for students-full day  
EHS - Orientation-half day for students
- 9 EHS - half day for students
- 10 WWMS-Open House 6:30 PM
- 14 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 PM
- 15 EHS – Open House 4:00-7:00 PM
- 16 Early Release - All Schools
- 17 WWTHS - Open House 7:00 PM
- 22 Elementary Curriculum Night 6:00 PM
- 30 Early Release - All Schools

### October

- 2 WWTHS Pep Rally 7:00 PM
- 3 WWTHS Homecoming  
11 AM Parade, 1 PM Game, 7 PM Dance
- 12 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 PM
- 14 Early Release - All Schools
- 20 EHS-Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00 PM
- 22 WWTHS Conferences
- 26 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 PM
- 28 Early Release - All Schools
- 30 Gr. K-12– Half Day of School for Students

## HOMECOMING 2015



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2**  
**Dep Rally @ 7:00 pm**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3**  
**Parade @ 11:00 am**  
**Game @ 1:00 pm**  
**Dance @ 7:00 pm**

# Back to School

## School Starts September 8

Students will be welcomed back to school on Tuesday, September 8th. All students will have a full day of school on the first day.

	Student Start Time	Dismissal
<b>Grades K-5</b>	<b>8:50 AM</b>	<b>3:40 PM</b>
<b>Middle School</b>	<b>8:10 AM</b>	<b>3:10 PM</b>
<b>High School</b>	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>2:25 PM</b>

### Early Release Times and Dates:

#### Early Release Times:

Elementary School dismissal at 2:40 PM

Middle School dismissal at 1:10 PM

High School dismissal at 1:25 PM

#### Early Release

#### Dates:

September 16 and 30

October 14 and 28

November 11

December 2 and 16

January 13 and 27

February 3 and 24

March 9 and 23

April 13 and 27

May 11 and 25

June 8



### Board Meetings

Regular Board Meetings are scheduled on the second Monday of each month. Special Meetings are held as needed, usually on the fourth Monday. Meetings begin at 6:00 PM. Meetings are held at the Administrative Service Center, 12900 Frazho Road, Warren, MI 48089.

# Welcome New Staff – Thanks WWPS Retirees

We are pleased to welcome the new faces to the Warren Woods administrative and teaching staff. Our reputation as a quality school district supported by a caring community allows us to select quality candidates to fill our openings. The following staff members were hired after the start of the past school year, are new hires, or have been appointed to new positions for the 2015/2016 school year:

## **Elementary School:**

### **Briarwood**

Kelli Krzezewski—Teacher, Heather Skrzypczak— Clerk

### **Pinewood**

Leo Kondziolka—Principal, Nicole Eastman—Lunch Supervisor, Sarah Silver—Teacher

### **Westwood**

Alyssa Lamorand—Teacher, Nada Awada—Lunch Supervisor, Tammy Ishaq, Media Center Aide

## **Middle School:**

Don Sikora—Principal, Tanya Sawka—Assistant Principal APA, Barbara Demsey—Clerk, Erin Mitchell—Teacher, Chelsey Haske—Teacher, Julie Kay Media Center Aide

## **High School:**

Heidi Krystopowicz—South—Teacher, Marilyn Andrews—Teacher, Maria Jackson—Kitchen Helper, Diana Rende—Media Center Aide, Catherine Junga—Custodian, Stephanie Stanley—Teacher, Jason Henshaw—Teacher, Layla Kayyod—Teacher, Melissa Chesher—Teacher, Craig Cutshaw—District Athletic Director

## **Enterprise:**

Sarah Jackson—Teacher

## **Multi-Site:**

Melinda Small—Custodian, Elizabeth Scannell —Elementary Music Teacher, Chang Xue—Mandarin Teacher, Yi He—Mandarin Teacher

## **Education Center:**

Megan Konen—Preschool Teacher, Rachel Schwenke—Adult Ed Teacher, Donna Jones—Adult Ed Teacher, Donna Tabacchini—Classroom Assistant, Michelle Roell—Classroom Assistant, Janette Mow—Adult Ed Counselor, Melissa Greco—Classroom Assistant, Arica Asaro—Classroom Assistant

## **Administrative Service Center:**

Jeanne Portalski—Benefits Coordinator

## **Facilities and Transportation:**

Cary Hilbert—Bus Driver, Matthew Dishman—Director of Facilities and Transportation

Please make a point to meet our new staff and welcome them to our community.

**In addition to our new hires, several long-serving staff members chose to retire this past year.** These include: Deborah Paliczuk—Briarwood, Lorraine Amstutz—WWTHS, Cynthia Spaunburg—Pinewood, Catherine Gross—WWTHS, Janet Bokano—WWMS, Joel Ludeman—Garage, Barbara Hanczaruk—Garage, Deborah Shelton—WWMS, Michelle Grabowski—Pinewood, Ronald Eisinger—Garage, Ann Farrell—Pinewood, John DeClark—Pinewood, Karen Hrymak—Media Specialist.

## Free Preschool: Great Start Readiness Program, Head Start, or Title I

Available for Warren Woods children who meet qualifying criteria. Please call 586.439.4885 for further information.

## Elementary Update

Another exciting school year is just around the corner and it is time to start thinking about getting prepared for the first day of school. Please take some time before school starts to familiarize your child with the school's main entrance and his/her classroom's exterior entrance. All class lists should be posted on the main entrance of each elementary building by September 3rd after 5:00 PM. Thank you for being a partner in your child's education and we look forward to an outstanding 2015-2016 school year!

## Enterprise High School

Enterprise High School is the alternative high school completion program in our district, serving students between the ages of 16 and 19 years of age. Class sizes are generally kept to approximately 15 students per instructor. A nurturing environment provides for individual attention and the building of positive staff-student relationships.

Core academic classes are offered that satisfy requirements for graduation in the Warren Woods School District and meet the objectives of the Michigan Merit Curriculum. Online credit recovery classes are available, and dual enrollment opportunities are an option, provided students meet the Warren Woods Public School guidelines.

In addition, visual media, including photography, and art classes are available for elective credit.

For additional information about the Enterprise program, please call 586.439.4407 or visit the Warren Woods Enterprise High School website.

# Pesticide Control Act

## ADVISORY TO ALL PARENTS

Warren Woods Public Schools has adopted an Integrated Pest Management program (IPM). The community is advised that pest control services are routinely provided once each month in the district's buildings by a certified applicator. Special applications take place as needed. **Elite Pest Management** employs an integrated pest management program using pest control methods which impose the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment. This IPM program does not rely on routine pesticide applications to resolve problems. We use various techniques such as habitat alteration, sanitation, mechanical means, exclusion, etc. to prevent pests from becoming a problem. Persons who wish to be informed prior to any pesticide application made at a school building or on school grounds should complete the request below and return to Matthew Dishman, 14846 Martin Rd., Warren, MI 48088. This notice is published per Section 13d of P.A. 131.



## Pesticide Control Act Parent/Guardian Response

Student Name(s):

School Student Attends:

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Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to be notified prior to a scheduled pesticide application inside of the school building

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to be notified prior to a scheduled pesticide application on the outside grounds of the school building

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Adult & Community Education

Warren Woods Adult & Community Education proudly provides opportunities for many individuals in the community who wish to earn a high school diploma, improve English skills, or participate in an enrichment class.

The High School Completion program, accredited by AdvancedED, offers day and evening classes for adult learners who wish to earn a high school diploma and achieve high school graduation. Students must be 18 years of age on September 1st to enroll, but we believe you are never too old to earn your high school diploma. Students must also be Macomb County residents. Students from Warren Woods Tower High School may take advantage of the Credit Recovery program offered Monday through Thursday evenings to make up previously unearned credits.

English As a Second Language (ESL) provides year-round instruction to members of the community for whom English is not a primary language. Students improve reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills while also learning about citizenship, computers, job-seeking, and many other everyday skills.

Adult Basic Education (ABE) will provide valuable literacy improvement to community members who qualify. While foundational classes help our adult students aged 20 and older gain the skills necessary to earn a high school diploma, other adults in the community who have already earned a diploma but lack basic skills may be eligible for this program. ABE classes are also ideal for those seeking to prepare for the GED test and GED prep classes.

Senior citizens enjoy their weekly Game Day every Tuesday from noon until 3 PM. Local seniors gather to play pinochle, euchre, and other card and board games. Refreshments are provided, and there is no cost to participate.

Open to the rest of the community are enrichment classes such as Segment I and II driver training, yoga, cheerleading, line dancing. A full listing can be found on the Warren Woods Adult & Community Education website.

For additional information about any of these programs or for class schedules, please call 586.439.4408 or visit the website <http://www.warrenwoods.misd.net/our-schools/adultcommunity-education/>.

## Required Childhood Immunizations for Michigan School Settings

School communicable disease rules are the minimum standard for preventing disease outbreaks in school settings. To best protect patients from all diseases we have the power to prevent, healthcare providers in Michigan should follow the 2014 Recommended Immunization Schedule at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines) or [www.michigan.gov/immunize](http://www.michigan.gov/immunize).

**\*\*All doses of vaccines must be given with appropriate spacing between doses and at appropriate ages to be considered valid.\*\***

Entry Requirements for All Public & Non-Public Schools		
Age → Vaccine**↓	4 years through 6 years	7 years through 18 years including all 7th grade students
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis	4 doses DTP or DTaP, one dose must be on or after 4 years of age	4 doses D and T <b>OR</b> 3 doses Td if #1 given on or after 7 years of age. 1 dose of Tdap for children 11 years of age or older upon entry into 7 <sup>th</sup> grade or higher.
Polio	4 doses, if dose 3 administered on or after 4 years of age, only 3 doses are required	3 doses
Measles,* Mumps,* Rubella*	2 doses on or after 12 months of age	
Hepatitis B*	3 doses	
Meningococcal	None	1 dose for all children 11 years of age or older upon entry into 7 <sup>th</sup> grade or higher
Varicella* (Chickenpox)	2 doses of varicella vaccine at or after 12 months of age <b>OR</b> current lab immunity <b>OR</b> reliable history of disease	

\* Current laboratory evidence of immunity is acceptable instead of immunization with antigen.

# Free or Reduced Meal Family Application

An annual meal application for free and reduced priced meals must be completed each school year. Each family will only need to COMPLETE ONE FORM.

If your child received a free or reduced price meal last school year he/she will receive the same benefit through Monday, October 19th, OR until you receive written notification changing their status.

Completing your free and reduced lunch application online speeds up the processing time. The application can be found online at [www.lunchapp.com](http://www.lunchapp.com) or there is a link on the District website at [www.warrenwoods.misd.net](http://www.warrenwoods.misd.net), on the Food Service Department page.

Family applications will be sent through the U.S. Mail at the beginning of the school year. Applications will also be available at school offices and the Administrative Service Center at 12900 Frazho Road, Warren, MI 48089.



# Prepaid Meal Program

Students have the following options when making purchases:

**Students can pay cashier each day,**

**OR**

**Students can pre-pay to cashier by cash or check (made payable to Warren Woods Food Service). Students can pre-pay for breakfast, lunch, and A-la-carte purchases.**

The website: [www.sendmoneytoschool.com](http://www.sendmoneytoschool.com) is now available to parents/guardians. Upon approval, the site will allow credit card deposits to be made into the child's account for purchases in the school meals program. Account activity, including the child's seven-day purchase history, is also accessible at this website. There is no fee or charge to set up an account and monitor your child's balance.



## WWPS FOOD SERVICES PROGRAM

Warren Woods Public Schools is an active participant in the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) School Meals Initiative for Healthy Children. Nutritional meals are offered each school day. The lunch prices for the 2015-2016 school year are as follows:

<b>ELEMENTARY</b>	<b>(Grades Kdg—5)</b>	<b>\$2.25</b>
<b>MIDDLE SCHOOL</b>	<b>(Grades 6—8)</b>	<b>\$2.75</b>
<b>HIGH SCHOOL</b>	<b>(Grades 9—12)</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>
<b>Milk</b>		<b>.50</b>

## Start your day in a healthy way

Breakfast will be offered at each of our schools starting on the first day of school.

<b>Elementary</b>	No Charge
<b>Middle School</b>	No Charge
<b>Enterprise High School</b>	No Charge
<b>Tower High School</b>	\$1.00

If you qualify for a free or reduced price lunch, you will also qualify for a free or reduced price (\$.30) breakfast.

# Warren Woods Early Childhood and Preschool Programs NOW ENROLLING

## Early Childhood: 6 wks.—5 years

Full and part time availability

Hours of Operation:

6:30 am—6:00 pm M-F

12900 Frazho Road (located in the Warren Woods Public Schools Education Center)

For more information, call Dena @586.439.4882 - drusso@waw.misd.net or 586.439.4885

## S.A.C.C.: K - 5th grade

Hours of Operation:

6:30 am—6:00 pm M-F

Location: Briarwood, Pinewood & Westwood

For more information call Erika @586.439.4870 - eali@waw.misd.net or Dena @ 586.439.4882 - drusso@waw.misd.net

**All programs are open  
year-round**



### Warren Woods Early Childhood Center

#### Child Care Rates 2015-16

Annual Registration Fee: \$40 1st child

\$20 each additional child

Full Day = over 5 hours per day

Half Day = 5 hours or less

\*A 10% discount will be applied for families with 2 or more children that attend 5 full days

#### Infant Room 1:4 staff to child ratio (6 wks.—14 months)

1 day:	\$45
2 days:	\$85
3 days:	\$130
4 days:	\$175
5 days:	\$185

#### Toddler I & Toddler II 1:4 staff to child ratio (14 months—23 months) (23 months—2 1/2 years)

<u>Full Day</u>	<u>Half Day</u>
1 day: \$45	1 day: \$37
2 days: \$85	2 days: \$68
3 days: \$130	3 days: \$111
4 days: \$175	4 days: \$136
5 days: \$185	5 days: \$156

#### Toddler III & Preschool 1:8 staff to child ratio (2 1/2 years—3 years) 1:10 staff to child ratio (3 years—4 years)

<u>Full Day</u>	<u>Half Day</u>
1 day: \$40	1 day: \$34
2 days: \$80	2 days: \$68
3 days: \$120	3 days: \$102
4 days: \$140	4 days: \$105
5 days: \$168	5 days: \$140

#### Pre-K 1:12 staff to child ratio (4 years—5 years)

<u>Full Day</u>	<u>Half Day</u>
1 day: \$38	1 day: \$33
2 days: \$76	2 days: \$66
3 days: \$114	3 days: \$99
4 days: \$136	4 days: \$110
5 days: \$156	5 days: \$135

# Warren Woods Early Childhood Center Registration Form

\$40.00 Annual registration fee for 1<sup>st</sup> child  
\$20.00 for each additional child

These fees are ***NON-REFUNDABLE***

*There is a 10% discount to families with two or more children attending five full days.*

To reserve a spot for your child, please fill out the registration form and attach the registration fee. Upon handing this in, you will receive a full packet. Please have the packet in at least two days before you need to start your child so we can plan staff accordingly.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Starting Date \_\_\_\_\_

Referred By: \_\_\_\_\_

Days and Times Needed:

Mon. \_\_\_\_\_

Thurs. \_\_\_\_\_

Tues. \_\_\_\_\_

Fri. \_\_\_\_\_

Wed. \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*A copy of your child's birth certificate is needed for registration to be complete.

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For Office Use Only!

Room Assigned To: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Owed \_\_\_\_\_



# Warren Woods Preschool

## Warren Woods Public Schools Education Center

12900 Frazho  
Warren, MI 48089  
Phone: (586) 439-4882  
*2015 Fall Registration*

Registration begins immediately and continues until classes are full. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis. For additional information, please call Dena Russo at (586) 439-4882 between 6:30 am and 2:30 pm. You may drop your paperwork off between the hours of 6:30 am and 6:00 pm. No appointment is necessary. Upon filling this form out **completely**, and attaching the registration fee, you will be given a full registration packet. If a class is full, you may fill this form out and hand it in. If space becomes available, you will receive a call. You will then have two days to pay the registration fee, and pick up a complete packet.

***\$25.00 Registration Fee before September 1, 2015/After September 1, 2015 \$30.00 Registration Fee***

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Has your child previously attended a preschool program or Early Childhood program? Yes / No If yes, what is the name of the Preschool: \_\_\_\_\_ Early Childhood Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the appropriate line: Warren Woods Public Schools Resident \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Resident \_\_\_\_\_

A Warren Woods Public Schools Resident is a child that *lives* in the Warren Woods Public School District, and will be attending Warren Woods Public Schools.

**Preschool Cost:**

Registration

A \$25.00 *Non-Refundable* registration fee is due at the time of each 15-week registration. A \$30.00 Registration Fee will be charged after the due date.

Tuition Cost – (Please indicate your 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> choice.) *You will be notified only if your 1<sup>st</sup> choice is not available.*

	Warren Woods	Warren Woods	
Two-Day 2-hour program:	Resident Rate	Non-Resident Rate	Choice
T/Th      3 year old class      09:00-11:00	\$300.00	\$315.00	_____

	Warren Woods	Warren Woods	
Three-Day 2.5-hour program:	Resident Rate	Non-Resident Rate	Choice
M/W/F      4 year old class      09:00-11:30	\$510.00	\$530.00	<u>Full</u>

	Warren Woods	Warren Woods	
Four-Day 2.5-hour program: <i>To register for the class below, your child must be going to Kindergarten the following fall.</i>	Resident Rate	Non-Resident Rate	Choice
M/T/W/TH      4 year old class      12:15-02:45	\$675.00	\$700.00	_____

**Payments:**

Please pay by money order or check made out to "Warren Woods Public Schools" or "W.W.P.S." You may also pay online at [www.warrenwoods.misd.net](http://www.warrenwoods.misd.net). Click on PaySchools and then Child Care Fees.

**Requirements:**

To complete this registration, you must supply the following:

1. Birth Certificate (We will make a copy at the time of registration.)
2. Proof of immunization
3. Child Information Record *completely* filled out
4. Health appraisal form filled out by your physician
5. Handbook Acknowledgement form/Media Release form (This is in the back of your handbook.)
6. Preschool Information form
7. Registration form with \$25.00/\$30.00 non-refundable registration fee
8. Ethnicity Form



## 2015-2016 Bus Stops Schedule

The Warren Woods Transportation Department has automated our school bus stop schedule system. To determine your child's stop go to the Warren Woods Public Schools website at <http://www.warrenwoods.misd.net> and: **1.** click OUR DISTRICT **2.** click DEPARTMENT **3.** click TRANSPORTATION **4.** click on the school bus icon shown above. You will be redirected to WebQuery which is linked to our bus routing program. Once there, select your child's school from the dropdown menu, select their grade and enter your address number and street. Only students who live further than 1.5 miles from the school or in pre-determined hazard areas are eligible for transportation. Schools of Choice students are not eligible. If your child is eligible, the approximate stop time, stop location and bus number will be displayed for both morning and afternoon transportation. Please note that many of the stop locations change each year to maximize student safety, so check WebQuery prior to the start of the school year. Contact the Transportation Department at 586.439.4975 with any questions.

### Annual Reports Available Online

Annual reports for the district and each school are available at [www.warrenwoods.misd.net](http://www.warrenwoods.misd.net), then click on Annual Report. From there, select the school you are interested in viewing. If you do not have computer access, call 586.439.4417 to request a copy.



Visit us online at

[www.warrenwoods.misd.net](http://www.warrenwoods.misd.net)

...and tune into

**WOW Cable Channel 15**

**Comcast Cable Channel 22**

*The Warren Woods Public Schools are dedicated to maintaining continuous student achievement within a caring environment that provides for individual excellence for all.*

# Kindergarten Transportation

Kindergarteners ride the same buses with 1st grade through 5th grade elementary students. To determine if your child is eligible for transportation, or to find their stop location and bus number, please follow the directions in the School Bus Stop Schedule article.

It is important that your kindergartener understands the bus safety guidelines. As a parent, you are your child's most influential teacher, so we are asking you to explain the following guidelines to them:

**1. Be ready for the bus at the scheduled time.** Bus times vary due to road conditions and traffic, so we ask that you have your child at the bus stop approximately 10 minutes before the scheduled arrival time each day. Bus riders who are late to stops often don't act safely.

**2. Wait until the bus is stopped before moving toward it and getting on.** Often students get anxious as the bus arrives, and run forward while the bus is still moving. This is dangerous because a student could slip or fall in front of the moving bus.

**3. After getting on the bus, go to a seat, sit down and stay seated.** Students are not permitted to stand up while the bus is moving. Doing so could cause injury.

**4. Remain quiet on the bus, so you don't distract the driver.** Children like to talk to their friends on the bus. This is OK unless it gets too loud. When the bus is too loud the driver can't hear important things like train whistles, sirens or communications on the two-way radios.

**5. Do what the driver tells you to do.** The driver is in charge of the bus, and is trying to keep everyone safe. Sometimes they will have to tell students to be quiet, sit down or wait to get on or off of the bus.

**6. Make sure you get on the right bus.** Each bus has a

character sign that will be placed in the window or on the side of the bus near the door. If a different bus is used the character sign will be moved, so that your child can recognize it. Give your child a card to carry around the first week of school that has their bus number, bus stop location and window character in case they get confused.

**7. Be ready to get off the bus when it gets near your stop, but don't get up until the bus stops moving.**

Many times young students get involved in conversations with their friends and forget to watch for their stop. When they arrive they aren't ready to pick up their backpack and get off the bus or the bus passes their stop. If the kindergartener misses their stop the bus has to go back, making the bus late to all the other stops.

**8. After getting off of the bus, walk away from the bus and don't stay near it.** If your child has to cross the street have them make eye contact with the driver and WAIT until the driver waves them across. Make sure they take at least 5 big steps out from the front of the bus, so the driver can see them over the hood of the vehicle.

**9. Never go back to the bus after you get off even if you dropped something.** Wait until the bus is gone, and then get your mom or dad to go with you to get it. According to bus statistics, this is when most student accidents occur. Tell your child that if they forgot something on the bus, you can take them to the bus garage and get it, or call the bus garage and have the driver bring it to your child the following day.

**10. The Warren Woods Transportation Department takes pride in transporting your children to school safely and timely.** We hope that with your help and guidance your child will understand the basics of bus safety and look forward to riding the bus to school.

If you have any questions, you can call the Warren Woods Transportation Department at 586.439.4975.

# Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires that each year, district workers and building occupants receive notification about asbestos activities such as response actions and inspections. The purpose of this correspondence is to meet those requirements and familiarize you with the asbestos related activities that have been conducted in Warren Woods Public Schools during the past year.

## MANAGEMENT PLANS

In 1988, Warren Wood Public Schools contracted with an environmental consulting firm to conduct inspections and develop asbestos Management Plans for asbestos containing material (ACM) within all district owned buildings. These Management Plans are located in the administrative office of each building and are available to the public for review. A copy of each building management plan is also located at the Maintenance Building.

## SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES

The AHERA regulation requires periodic surveillance of the condition of ACM every six months. Warren Woods Public Schools conducted the periodic surveillance in August 2015.

The regulation also requires reinspections conducted every three years by Michigan Accredited Inspectors. Warren Woods Public Schools contracted an independent consulting firm to conduct the reinspections. The reinspection was completed in July 2013. Previous reinspections and six month periodic inspections are located in the building's Management Plans.

## ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

Warren Woods Public Schools performed minor asbestos abatement relating to operations and maintenance projects in 2014 including a very small amount of floor tile removal at Briarwood Elementary School. It should be noted that, when asbestos abatement is conducted, Warren Woods Public Schools hires a Michigan Licensed Asbestos Abatement Contractor to perform the removal activities and an Environmental Consulting Firm to conduct air sampling during and after the assigned removal in compliance with all applicable regulatory standards. Questions regarding asbestos-related issues can be addressed by Mr. Matthew Dishman, Director of Facilities and Transportation, at (586) 439-4975.

# Southwest Macomb Technical Education Consortium

The Southwest Macomb Technical Education Consortium (SMTEC) is a collaborative commitment between Center Line, Fitzgerald, Van Dyke and Warren Woods Public School Districts to provide a wide array of Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs to their respective students.

## Quick Facts

- ◆ Enrolled nearly 1,700 students in SMTEC CTE courses
- ◆ Received state approval for two new CTE programs—Auto Tech (LHS) and JROTC (CL)
- ◆ Launched inaugural chapter of National Technical Honor Society
- ◆ Produced SMTEC Movie Trailer
- ◆ Created contextualized Senior English 12-Law Enforcement course for 2015-16
- ◆ Piloted National Career Readiness Certificate Math Assessment in Auto Tech with positive results:
  - 17-12<sup>th</sup> grade students had prior MME-Work Keys Math Scores
  - 71% of students increased their Work Keys Math Level (12 of 17)
  - 18% of students remained at the same Work Keys Math Level (3 of 17)
  - 12% of students decreased their work Keys Math Level (1 of 17)

## Student Competitions

- ◆ Competed in the MSGCU Dessert Competition
- ◆ Placed “Best in Show” for American Society of Body Engineers Annual Design Contest
- ◆ Submitted numerous entries in the North American International Auto Show Poster Contest
- ◆ Awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the MSGCU annual Marketing Design Competition
- ◆ EMS students participated in the City of Sterling Heights Mass Casualty Incident Drill
- ◆ Over 20 students participated in the regional and state competitions in Skills USA and HOSA
- ◆ Earned a Gold Medal at HOSA and competing at the National HOSA competition
- ◆ Awarded seven placement in the University of Toledo Pharmacy Tech Summer Camp
- ◆ Placed numerous interns at CVS and Walgreens pharmacies

## Visits to Business Partnerships

- ◆ 37<sup>th</sup> District Court in Center Line (fieldtrip)
- ◆ Macomb County Jail (fieldtrip)
- ◆ Somerset Mall Management
- ◆ Detroit Economic Club
- ◆ Industry Source (COS)
- ◆ ITS World Congress Showcase
- ◆ Robotics, Engineering, and Technology Days at MCC
- ◆ GM Power Train and Transmission Plant
- ◆ MB Aerospace
- ◆ Brose Manufacturing
- ◆ Proper Mold
- ◆ Eifel Mold
- ◆ St. John-Oakland Hospital
- ◆ Comfort Dental
- ◆ Shelby Crossing
- ◆ North American International Auto Show
- ◆ MCC Design Expo
- ◆ Windemere Senior Citizens Facility (hosted two luncheons at Abe & I Café)

## College Visits

- ◆ Macomb Community College-Healthcare, Marketing, Engineering, Automotive, Manufacturing, CAD
- ◆ Baker College
- ◆ Culinary Institute of Michigan-Port Huron
- ◆ University of Detroit-Dental School



## Official Discipline Policy

The following legal notices are required to be published by the state and or federal government. The following summary is taken from the official policy of the Board of Education. The full text of the discipline policy is available upon request.

The Board of Education may make reasonable rules and regulations for the behavior of those attending its schools. Misconduct, both at curricular or extracurricular activities, can result in exclusion, suspension, extended suspension or expulsion.

The Board of Education recognizes that exclusion from the educational programs of the district, whether by suspension or expulsion, is the most severe sanction that can be imposed on a student in this district and one that cannot be imposed without due process since exclusion deprives a child of the right to an education. For purposes of this policy "suspension" shall be the short term (not more than ten (10) days) or long-term exclusion of a student from a regular district program.

The principal may impose a suspension of up to a ten (10) day duration, but shall notify the student's parents or guardians of the suspension by telephone or by regular mail and shall send a copy of the notification home with the student and shall include the parental rights to appeal. Suspension of more than one (1) school day but not more than ten (10) school days may be appealed in writing to the principal within two (2) school days of the parents' receipt of the written suspension notice. The written appeal must contain the reason(s) that the suspension is being appealed.

The superintendent or the building administrator may give a student a short-term suspension. The Board designates the superintendent as its representative at any hearings regarding the appeal of a suspension. The superintendent may recommend to the Board a long-term suspension or that a student be expelled. In all cases, due process rights must be observed.

Expulsion shall be the permanent exclusion of a student from the schools of this district. No student below the age of sixteen (16) should be expelled without notification of expulsion being given to the juveniles division of the Probate Court. Any student who brings a weapon to school shall be expelled for at least one (1) year. Upon request, parents of a student being expelled may request a hearing before the Board of Education.

Decisions of the Board of Education may be appealed through the Civil Courts.

**Code of Conduct is available at <http://warrenwoods.misd.net>. Click on "Academics" then click on "Student Handbooks."**

## Education Records

The education records of any student enrolled in the Warren Woods Public Schools (WWPS) are protected under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

A parent or eligible student (one who has attained the age of 18 or is in a post secondary educational institution) may, and is encouraged to review their records. The review may be done by contacting the building principal and arranging an appointment. A member of the staff will accompany the reviewer to provide explanation and interpretation as required.

If the parent or eligible student feels some portion of the record is inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of privacy or other rights of the student, he or she may ask that the record be amended. If satisfaction is not achieved at the building or department level, a hearing will be held on the matter upon request. Following the decision of the hearing officer, if satisfaction is still not achieved, a written explanation may be added to the record of the rationale for challenging that record. Copies of educational records will be provided to parents or eligible students upon request. A charge may be made to cover duplication costs.

No records, files or dates directly relating to an individual student shall be made available to anyone without the consent and notification of the student or the parents or guardian of a student under the age of 18, except:

1. The teachers and officials of this school district who have a legitimate educational interest in such information, or unless
2. There has been a federal request for submission of student records in connection with the student's application for financial aid. The student or parent will be notified if officials of a school to which a student intends to enroll desire access to student records, or if a court has ordered access to such records, parental or student consent is needed.

## Non-Discrimination Policy

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the American with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act of 1977, it is the policy of the Warren Woods School District that no person (or student) shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, gender/sex, age, disability, height, weight, or marital status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination during any program or activity or in employment. For information, contact (586) 439-4401.

Inquiries related to discrimination on the basis of disability should be directed to: Justin Michalak, 504 Coordinator, 12900 Frazho Road, Warren, MI 48089. (586) 439-4464.

Direct all other inquiries related to any other discrimination to: M. Grace Stafford, Assistant Superintendent, 12900 Frazho Road, Warren, MI 48089. (586) 439-4457.

The following behaviors are not acceptable: staring or leering in a way that seems too personal, spreading sexual gossip, sexual comments, remarks or suggestions, name calling with sexual overtones, any unwanted physical contact of a sexual nature (touching or grabbing), obscene gestures or pressure for sexual activity.

The following behaviors are not allowed: racial slurs, negative remarks or other degrading statements directed toward other students or staff members will not be tolerated and will be disciplined accordingly.

## Student Directory Information

Each year the district will provide public notice to students and their parents of its intent to make available, upon request, certain information known as "directory information". The Board designated, as student directory information, a student's name, address, phone number, photograph, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, height and weight, if a member of an athletic team, dates of attendance, date of graduation, awards received, or any other information which would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy, if disclosed.

Parents and adult students may refuse to allow the district to disclose any or all of such directory information upon written notification to the district within ten (10) days after receipt of the district's public notice. A form for this purpose is available at each building or at the pupil accounting office.

The district may disclose directory information on former students without student or parental consent.

The superintendent shall prepare procedures to ensure that students and parents are adequately informed each year regarding their rights to inspect and review the student's education records.

The principal of each building or the department is charged with the responsibility of maintaining and safeguarding the educational records. Employees of WWPS in the areas of instruction, special services, administration, research / evaluation and student records are authorized to have access to records in the educational interest of the student.

This would include the student's academic, physical, emotional, personal, social and vocational decisions. Any other person except those agencies specified in the Act must have a signed consent of the parent or eligible student to gain access to the educational records and request amendments prior to their being released.

## Warren Woods Public Schools Salutes Six Outstanding Teachers

Three Warren Woods Public School teachers were selected to receive the 2015 Outstanding Teacher Award. This recognition program is sponsored by the Macomb Intermediate School District (MISD). Teachers from around Macomb County are eligible for this award.

Warren Woods Public Schools is proud to have six teachers nominated for the 2015 award. The 2015 honorees are: Kimberly Juhaasz—Briarwood Elementary, Amy Verhaeghe—Pinewood Elementary, Lisa Meneghin—Westwood Elementary, Leo Kondziolka—WWMS, Michele Morgan—WWTHS, Deborah Carlton—WWTHS.

Teachers are nominated by their peers. They are selected based on a set of criteria established by the Macomb Intermediate School District. The criteria include such categories as the teacher's establishing a positive learning environment, employing sound instructional strategies in the classroom, and contribution to the profession, to name a few.

The Board of Education, administration, and Warren Woods Community are very proud of this year's Outstanding Teacher Award nominees. We extend our congratulations to Kimberly, Amy, Lisa, Leo, Michele and Deborah. Thank you for all you do for our students and our community!

## Special Education and Section 504 Child Find Notice

The Warren Woods Public Schools Department of Special Services has the duty to locate, evaluate, and identify any child residing in the District who qualifies for special Education services or Section 504 accommodations or services.

With the passage of the individuals with Disabilities Education Amendments/Revisions of 2007 (IDEA), the Senate and Federal Government continue to assure that all handicapped children (ages 0-25) may receive special education services. The term "children with disabilities" refers to children:

With cognitive impairment, hearing impairments (including deafness) speech or language impairments, visual impairments (including blindness), emotional impairments, physical impairments, autism, traumatic brain injury, other health impairments, or specific learning disabilities, or any combination of these impairments; and who, by reason are in need of special education and/or related services.

In compliance with the IDEA Act, Public Act Amendments/Revisions of 2007, Public Act 451 of 1976 and P.L.94-142 (Education for All Handicapped children) the Macomb Intermediate School District (M.I.S.D.) and all twenty-one (21) school districts have developed a plan, which outlines services for all eligible handicapped children and youth.

The M.I.S.D. plan describes the special education device delivery throughout Macomb County. Children eligible for Section 504 accommodations or services include those children who have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity.

If you suspect your child may require special education services or Section 504 accommodations, or if you would like additional information, please contact Justin Michalak, Director of Special Services, 12900 Frazho, Warren, MI 48089; 586.439.4464.

## Educational Material for Parents and Students (Content Meets MDCH Requirements)

Sources: Michigan Department of Community Health, CDC and the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE)

### UNDERSTANDING CONCUSSION

#### Some Common Symptoms

Headache	Balance Problems	Sensitive to Noise	Poor Concentration	Not "Feeling Right"
Pressure in the Head	Double Vision	Sluggishness	Memory Problems	Feeling Irritable
Nausea/Vomiting	Blurry Vision	Haziness	Confusion	Slow Reaction Time
Dizziness	Sensitive to Light	Fogginess	"Feeling Down"	Sleep Problems
		Grogginess		

#### WHAT IS A CONCUSSION?

A **concussion** is a type of traumatic brain injury that changes the way the brain normally works. A concussion is caused by a fall, bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body that causes the head and brain to move quickly back and forth. A concussion can be caused by a shaking, spinning or a sudden stopping and starting of the head. Even a "ding," "getting your bell rung," or what seems to be a mild bump or blow to the head can be serious. A concussion can happen even if you haven't been knocked out.

You can't see a concussion. Signs and symptoms of concussions can show up right after the injury or may not appear or be noticed until days or weeks after the injury. If the student reports any symptoms of a concussion, or if you notice symptoms yourself, seek medical attention right away. A student who may have had a concussion should not return to play on the day of the injury and until a health care professional says they are okay to return to play.

#### IF YOU SUSPECT A CONCUSSION:

- 1. SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION RIGHT AWAY** - A health care professional will be able to decide how serious the concussion is and when it is safe for the student to return to regular activities, including sports. Don't hide it, report it. Ignoring symptoms and trying to "tough it out" often makes it worse.
- 2. KEEP YOUR STUDENT OUT OF PLAY** - Concussions take time to heal. Don't let the student return to play the day of injury and until a health care professional says it's okay. A student who returns to play too soon, while the brain is still healing, risks a greater chance of having a second concussion. Young children and teens are more likely to get a concussion and take longer to recover than adults. Repeat or second concussions increase the time it takes to recover and can be very serious. They can cause permanent brain damage, affecting the student for a lifetime. They can be fatal. It is better to miss one game than the whole season.
- 3. TELL THE SCHOOL ABOUT ANY PREVIOUS CONCUSSION** - Schools should know if a student had a previous concussion. A student's school may not know about a concussion received in another sport or activity unless you notify them.

#### SIGNS OBSERVED BY PARENTS:

Appears dazed or stunned	Can't recall events prior to or after a hit or fall	Answers questions slowly
Is confused about assignment or position	Is unsure of game, score, or opponent	Loses consciousness (even briefly)
Forgets an instruction	Moves clumsily	Shows mood, behavior, or personality changes

#### CONCUSSION DANGER SIGNS:

In rare cases, a dangerous blood clot may form on the brain in a person with a concussion and crowd the brain against the skull. A student should receive immediate medical attention if after a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body s/he exhibits any of the following danger signs:

One pupil larger than the other	Repeated vomiting or nausea	Becomes increasingly confused, restless or agitated
Is drowsy or cannot be awakened	Slurred speech	Has unusual behavior
A headache that gets worse	Convulsions or seizures	Loses consciousness (even a brief loss of consciousness should be taken seriously.)
Weakness, numbness, or decreased coordination	Cannot recognize people/places	

#### HOW TO RESPOND TO A REPORT OF A CONCUSSION:

If a student reports one or more symptoms of a concussion after a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body, s/he should be kept out of athletic play the day of the injury. The student should only return to play with permission from a health care professional experienced in evaluating for concussion. During recovery, rest is key. Exercising or activities that involve a lot of concentration (such as studying, working on the computer, or playing video games) may cause concussion symptoms to reappear or get worse. Students who return to school after a concussion may need to spend fewer hours at school, take rests breaks, be given extra help and time, spend less time reading, writing or on a computer. After a concussion, returning to sports and school is a gradual process that should be monitored by a health care professional.

Remember: Concussion affects people differently. While most students with a concussion recover quickly and fully, some will have symptoms that last for days, or even weeks. A more serious concussion can last for months or longer.

To learn more, go to [www.cdc.gov/concussion](http://www.cdc.gov/concussion).

# DISTRICT DIRECTORY 2015 / 2016

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## Warren Woods Public Schools

### Board of Education

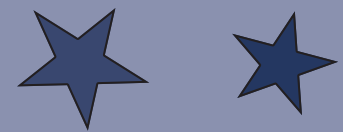
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### Board Meetings

Regular Board meetings are scheduled on the second Monday of each month. Special meetings are held as needed usually on the fourth Monday. Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. and are held at the Administrative Service Center, 12900 Frazho Road unless otherwise posted. Meetings are open to the public. The community is welcome to attend. Board meeting agendas are posted the Friday before each meeting at the Administrative Service Center at every school during from September through June.



## Pledge of Allegiance

The Michigan Legislature amended the School Code to require school districts to offer all students the opportunity to recite the Pledge of Allegiance every day that school is in session. This requirement took effect with the start of the 2014-2015 school year. However, students/parents may elect to opt-out. No student shall be penalized for failure to participate in the Pledge and the staff shall protect any students who choose not to participate from bullying.

