

# WINES TIMES

## Busy times ahead

*A note from Dr. DeYoung*

Dear Wines Families,

Here we are, a few days into March, and I again have to say how hard it is to believe how quickly this year seems to be going. While we have come a long way this year, the months ahead are among the busiest for our kids and our staff as we head into the important final third of the year *and* we begin making plans for next year.

### **Full Day Kindergarten**

Speaking of next year, I am excited to announce that our entire school district is moving to a uniform kindergarten model of full day (free!) kindergarten in all of our elementary schools next fall. If you have a child who is ready for kindergarten and will be 5 years old before Dec. 1, 2012, please make sure you come to the office to register if you haven't done so already.

### **Staffing for Next Year**

In addition to planning for three sections of full day kindergarten at Wines next year, we are also beginning to examine our staffing arrangements and student placements for grades 1-5 as well. Some time over the next couple of weeks, I will include a survey in my weekly email asking for parent input into class placement decisions for next year. As with last year, we do not accept requests for specific teachers and such requests will not be considered. However, parent input is helpful as we paint a whole picture of our



students and what will be the best fit for each child.

### **NAAPID**

I want to thank the approximately 240 parents who came and spent part of your day with us during our NAAPID celebration last month. It was a fantastic day all around. I want to thank NYPD Pizza for providing the pizza lunch for the day, and to Inter-State photography for providing our photographer. As soon as we get the pictures back from Inter-State, we will send home a nice memento from the day.

I also want to recognize our staff for their contributions that day. Staff members provided treats for guests, served lunch, supplied flowers, put together our slide show, held special activities in their classrooms, and generally supported this special day. While we highlight the goal for parents to see what a normal day of school is like for their children during NAAPID, if you visited that day, you saw that it is by no means a "normal" day. So I thank our staff for making the day so special and for our parents for taking time to join us.

**A Note from Dr. DeYoung (cont.)**

**MEAP Results**

As you know, the Michigan Department of Education recently published the MEAP results from the assessment period this fall. Since much has been in the news lately regarding the expected reduction in the percent of students who meet the new standards for the proficient (Prof.) and advanced (Adv.) ranges, I've included the chart below to show you how Wines students compare with the State.

We will continue to work to increase the number of students achieving in the advanced range as we strive to help all of our students improve. The chart shows the percent of students who are proficient or advanced in reading, math, writing, and science. As

always, I remind everyone that the MEAP, while important, is one of many measures (both formal and informal) that we use to track student growth and inform on our teachers' instruction.

**No School Monday, March 12**

Finally, just a reminder that there is no school on Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will be working on report cards that day. Report cards will go home with your child on Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

David

**MEAP Results**

	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade			4 <sup>th</sup> Grade			5 <sup>th</sup> Grade		
	Reading			Reading			Reading		
	Prof.	Adv.	Total	Prof.	Adv.	Total	Prof.	Adv.	Total
<b>Wines</b>	74	12	86	69	15	84	46	37	84
<b>State</b>	53	10	62	59	8	68	56	13	69
	Math			Math			Math		
	Prof.	Adv.	Total	Prof.	Adv.	Total	Prof.	Adv.	Total
<b>Wines</b>	71	4	75	60	16	76	51	27	78
<b>State</b>	34	2	36	35	5	40	35	5	40
				Writing			Science		
				Prof.	Adv.	Total	Prof.	Adv.	Total
<b>Wines</b>				52	12	64	16	26	43
<b>State</b>				38	7	45	8	7	15

CONTRIBUTE TO THE WINES TIMES

If you'd like something in the Wines Times, please send articles to Holly Derry at [hderry@mac.com](mailto:hderry@mac.com) by **Monday, April 2, 2012, 5 pm** for the April 4 issue.



UPCOMING MUSIC CONCERTS

**2nd grade - Mrs. Day's and Mrs. Gibbs's classes**

Thursday 3/15 assembly 1:15 pm  
show 7:00 pm

**1st grade - all classes**

Tuesday 3/27 assembly 2:30 pm  
show 7:00 pm

**3rd grade and Mrs. Black's 2nd graders**

Wednesday 4/18 assembly 10:45 am  
show 7:00 pm

**4th grade - Mrs. Fisher's and Mrs. Ross's classes**

Thursday 5/10 assembly 9:15 am  
show 7:00 pm

**Kindergarten - all classes**

Monday 5/21 show 7:00 pm

**Contact**

Ms. McNally: [mcnally@aaps.k12.mi](mailto:mcnally@aaps.k12.mi)

### Calendar

**March**

- 8 Disability Awareness Workshop (4th Grade)
- 15 2nd Grade Concert - 7 pm
- 27 1st Grade Concert - 7 pm
- 31 Spring Break Starts

**April**

- 9 School Resumes
- 12 PTO Meeting - 7 pm
- 20 Earth Day Celebration
- 27 Art Night - 6:30 - 8 pm



MUSIC ROOM NEWS

Would you like to volunteer with the music program?

Here are some ways you can help:

- Video recording shows and making a copy for the music room archives (\*\* desperately needed \*\*)
- Photographing shows
- Recording 5th grade chorus performance
- Helping in the music room during the instrument-making unit in 2nd grade humanities (This is a **fun** project!)
  - Mrs. Day's class - Tuesdays 10:30-11:46
  - Mrs. Gibb's class - Tuesdays 12:50-2:06

Your help is most appreciated!

**Contact**

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SCIENCE OLYMPIAD FUN NIGHT

Save the Date - Science Olympiad Fun Night  
 Wines on April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM



**VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED**

It takes over 500 volunteers to make the Olympiad work!

- Event Judge: This position allows for judging to be consistent throughout an entire grade level which is why it requires a four hour commitment on April 21<sup>st</sup>.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Wines Supervisors: On April 21<sup>st</sup>, these volunteers will be responsible for making sure each Wines team from their assigned grade departs on time for their competition time slot and escorts them to the check in table.
- Fun Night Volunteers: Set up, clean up, T-shirt distribution, snacks, slide show coordinator, printing, etc.
- WESO Volunteer Coordinator: This year WESO is dividing this board position into a three person team. Coordination will begin six weeks prior to the Olympiad and requires a full day commitment on April 21<sup>st</sup>. This is Wines mandatory contribution to the Olympiad.



**Contact**

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LUNCHTIME EXTRA SPECIALS

The 2012 Lunchtime Extra Specials are ending this week. The kids have had a fantastic time and we want to thank the volunteers who made it happen! Very special thanks go to Debbie Tirico who not only provided mentoring and support but also led 3 different topics every week! We want to thank all of our leaders and assistants for their time and efforts each week:

Maha Ali	Chris Hough	Danielle LaFave	Stacey Noel
Sheila Besirili	Valerie Hough	Kelly Malan	Jennifer Patselas
David Creen	Lisa Johnson	Monica Mazza	Jeff Rinvelt
Holly Derry	Payal Joshi	Kelly Michaels-Soluk	Jim Stead
Ana Gonzalez	Amira Khasin	Julie Miller	Joe Tworek
Jennifer Hall	Patty Kersch	Lea Monaghan	Amy Unsworth
Robin Hescheles			Sandra Vadlamudi

Thank you also to Ms. Eckel, Ms. Perry, Ms. Wahl, Mrs. Hendricks and Ms. Evaldson for the use of your rooms for the past two months.

**Contact:**

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## WINES WAHOO

**Friday, March 23rd****6:30 - 8:30****Forsythe Middle School**

Are you tired of the grey and cold? Ready for a tropical escape? The Wines Wahoo is the perfect opportunity to shake off the winter blues!

The Wines Wahoo is a luau-themed, fun, family event for all Wines students, their parents and younger siblings:

- music provided by a kid-friendly DJ
- fun activities, face painting, and tattoos in the gym
- pizza, snacks and beverages for sale (nominal fee)



Please note:

- A parent or other adult over the age of 18 must accompany each Wines student.
- Children over 5th grade will not be admitted to the event.
- Younger siblings are invited to participate.
- There is a suggested donation of \$5 per family that helps to cover the cost of the DJ and decorations. (Scholarships are available in the office.)

**We need volunteers** to help with set-up, admissions, refreshments, pictures, gym monitoring and clean-up. Junior and senior high students are welcome to volunteer. There will be several shifts, so you will have time to socialize and have fun with your kids. Please sign-up at the Volunteer Spot site ([www.tinyurl.com/WinesWahoo](http://www.tinyurl.com/WinesWahoo)). It's easy -- just enter your contact information and then select an activity.

**Contact**

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**PTO MEETING**

The next general PTO Meeting is **Thursday, April 12 at 8:00 pm**. Child care is provided.

**Agenda:**

- Executive Board Elections
- Guest speaker from the District regarding upcoming Technology Millage
- 5th grade chorus concert

## WINES RAFFLE AND SILENT AUCTION

Just Around the Corner - Wines Raffle and Silent Auction!!

The raffle and auction committee is forming and starting to plan for the event on **June 1**. This is one of Wines largest fundraisers... probably the largest FUNraiser for the kids! Please help make this one of the best years ever.

How you can help:

- Be on the planning committee
- Donate a prize to the raffle or auction. You can even join together with friends or neighbors to donate larger items. Any donation is welcome.
- Grade level baskets are back by popular demand! Families will be invited to make a smaller donation to "fill the basket" with prizes based on a theme for each grade. More information on the grade-level themes will be provided soon. Legos, Disney, Sports and Outdoor Fun have been popular in the past, but if you have new ideas, please let us know.
- Submit ideas for new donation idea or basket themes.

#### Donation Ideas

- food items
- Slip-n-Slides
- game tickets
- vacation house retreats
- donate your time or skills
- electronics
- gift certificates

#### Contact

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#### ART NIGHT

**Friday, April 27 from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m**

Theme: Fish

This event is for all of our students and families from kindergarten through 5th grade. Our school will be transformed into a world of fish, water, and sea things! Volunteering for this event is really fun.

WE NEED A LOT OF HELP. Please become part of this Wines tradition. Look for information soon with fun, exciting, and fulfilling volunteer opportunities.

#### Contact

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Mrs. Hendrick: [hendricj@aaps.k12.mi](mailto:hendricj@aaps.k12.mi)



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## PTO EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS

The PTO is holding elections for new officers in April.

If you want to volunteer for a PTO executive board position, please let any of the [current board members](#) know of your interest.

To help you understand each role, the current officers have summarized their duties:

### **President / Co-President**

- Oversees the direction of the Wines Parent Teacher Organization
- Sets agendas and runs all PTO meetings (general and executive board)
- Recruits and appoints chairs for Wines committees and events
- Coordinates the work of officers and event committees
- Acts as an ex-officio member of all committees
- Provides input into PTO yearly calendar
- Regularly checks PTO mailbox and distributes mail
- Helps count money at fundraising events
- Assists with ongoing school programs such as Scholarship and Box Tops
- Acts as the bridge between faculty and families

### **Vice President**

- Acts as a point of contact between PTO committee and event chairs
- Assists in recruiting volunteers to chair committees and events
- Coordinates childcare for PTO meetings
- Maintains documents, flyers, and information from every PTO activity
- Acts as backup for PTO president

### **Treasurer / Co-Treasurer**

- Works with PTO president to determine budget for upcoming year

- Presents budget and profit/loss statements to executive board and general PTO meetings
- Records deposits and withdrawals into Quick Books
- Reconciles monthly bank statements
- Submits tax forms to CPA
- Submits yearly filing fees to the State
- Monitors spending to ensure we remain within budget
- Contributes Treasurer information for the Wines times
- Counts money at school events
- Deposits incoming checks at bank
- Writes checks as requested
- Maintains spreadsheets for deposits, checks, teachers' discretionary funds, etc.
- Provide start up cash for school events

### **Recording Secretary**

- Takes minutes for both Executive Board and regular PTO meetings
- Facilitates communication among Committee Chairs and volunteers by distributing sign-up lists generated through the Wines PTO website

### **Communications Secretary**

- Attend PTO executive meetings to keep apprised of current PTO events and business
- Include current PTO events and business in the Wines Times and on the PTO Website
- Solicit additional information to publish in Wines Times and on PTO website
- Share PTO happenings with the community via Wines Times, PTO website, and Wednesday emails
- Encourage committee members and volunteers to take advantage of the technical capabilities of the PTO Website

PBIS WINNERS

Wines students can earn "Power Paws" by displaying positive behaviors during the school day. Every time a student earns a Power Paw, they write their name on it and place it in a bucket. Names are drawn every week from each classroom. Here are this month's winners:





# Spring Break Camps



## Nature Camp: Springtime in the Woods - NEW CAMP

EARLY BIRD FEE: \$215 until 3/19!

Grades K-5. Join us for nature-based fun! We will have adventures indoors and out. Exploring the woods, tracking critters, doing nature crafts, and learning environmental concepts. Directors: Mary Donnelly and Stacy Cole, with John Stahly, the Naturalist.

ID# 8901.301                      4/2 - 4/5                      Monday - Thursday  
 FEE: \$235 (after 3/19) 7:15AM - 6:00PM                      Eberwhite Elementary



## Hoops Basketball Camp

Grades 3-6. The focus of Spring break Hoops Camp is on drills to improve the skills of the individual player in areas of dribbling, passing, shooting, defense, and teamwork. Sportsmanship is emphasized. Coaches: One on One Basketball Staff.

ID# 3402.222                      4/2 - 4/5                      Monday - Thursday  
 FEE: \$119                      9:00AM- Noon                      Forsythe, Gym

## Baseball Camp

Grades 1-6. Each day you'll work on basic to advanced baseball skills and play a game. You will learn in a safe, structured environment, while having fun and gaining confidence in your sport. Campers should bring snack, mitts, bats and water bottles marked with their name. Coaches: GVP Sports Staff.

ID# 3405.220                      4/2 - 4/5                      Monday - Thursday  
 FEE: \$95                      12:30PM - 3:00PM                      Forsythe, Gym

## Chess Camp

Grades 3-8. If you have a desire to learn to play chess or would like to take your chess skills to the next level, this camp is the camp for you!

ID# 2415.301                      4/2 - 4/5                      Monday - Thursday  
 FEE: \$165                      9:00AM - 4:00PM                      Forsythe Middle School  
 ID# 2415.311                      Extended Care                      Monday - Thursday  
 FEE: \$49                      7:30AM - 9AM/4PM - 5:30PM                      Forsythe Middle School



## Trading Card Camp

Grades 3-8. In one action packed week, you will construct your own decks and learn strategies to be the best. There will be a trading card draft for those without their own decks.

ID# 2412.301                      4/2 - 4/5                      Monday - Thursday  
 FEE: \$165                      9:00AM - 4:00PM                      Forsythe Middle School  
 ID# 2412.311                      Extended Care                      Monday - Thursday  
 FEE: \$49                      7:30AM - 9AM/4PM - 5:30PM                      Forsythe Middle School



## Writing Camp

Grades K-6. Be a "professional" writer and illustrator while expanding your critical thinking skills. Writers plan and produce individual, fully illustrated unique picture books. In just one short week, transform your first drafts into personal masterpieces.

ID# 2407.301                      4/2 - 4/5                      Monday - Thursday  
 FEE: \$165                      9:00AM - 4:00PM                      Forsythe Middle School  
 ID# 2407.311                      Extended Care                      Monday - Thursday  
 FEE: \$49                      7:30AM - 9AM/4PM - 5:30PM                      Forsythe Middle School





# SPRING BREAK CAMPS REGISTRATION FORM

Would you like to receive information about the **before and after school child care program** in your school? Yes  No  If yes, indicate the name of your school: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive information about these Rec&Ed **youth sports programs**? (Check all sports that apply)

Spring Flag Football, grades 3-8  Spring Field Hockey, grades 3-8  Spring Soccer, grades K-10

Do you have a current Rec&Ed Scholarship? Yes  No  Pending ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Has there been a change in your address or phone since last registration? Yes  No

## CLASS SELECTIONS #1 PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

CLASS ID#	CLASS TITLE	FEE

FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

GENDER: M  F  SCHOOL CHILD WILL ATTEND IN FALL 11 \_\_\_\_\_

REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR YOUTH  
 EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE ANY ALLERGIES OR MEDICAL CONDITIONS? NO  YES  (EXPLAIN) \_\_\_\_\_

## CLASS SELECTIONS #2 PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

CLASS ID#	CLASS TITLE	FEE

FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

GENDER: M  F  SCHOOL CHILD WILL ATTEND IN FALL 11 \_\_\_\_\_

REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR YOUTH  
 EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE ANY ALLERGIES OR MEDICAL CONDITIONS? NO  YES  (EXPLAIN) \_\_\_\_\_

## PAYOR INFORMATION

**Payor Name**  
 Person paying for class(es) or activities

FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 HOME PHONE (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER: M  F

**PAYMENT METHOD:**  CHECK  CREDIT CARD  SCHOLARSHIP # \_\_\_\_\_  CREDIT ON Rec&Ed ACCOUNT

**Credit Cards**  
 Please complete the entire section

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Print your name exactly how it appears on the credit card

Visa  Mastercard  AM EXPRESS Total Fee (Required) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Sorry we cannot accept debit cards at this time

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ CVV# \_\_\_\_\_  
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SIGNATURE (REQUIRED) \_\_\_\_\_

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- 2 Include Payment:**  
Credit from Rec&Ed Account:  
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- 3 Mail entire form to**  
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# ROTATE YOUR FOOD!

Spring Canned Food Drive

March 12-23

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information and  
locations, scan  
this QR code:



Simply bring or send your canned and/or other non-perishable food to your child's school and deposit in the boxes provided during:

## March 12-23

One in 7 are at risk for hunger in Washtenaw County including 1 in 6 children. Food Gatherers exists to alleviate hunger and eliminate its causes in our community. Food Gatherers annually distributes more than 5.25 million pounds of food to a network of more than 150 local community programs serving our neighbors in need and provides enough food for more than 12,000 meals a day in Washtenaw County. Rotary International is an organization of business and professional people united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

We will gladly accept any non-perishable food you can contribute, but are especially in need of: tuna, peanut butter, canned meats, stew, hearty soup, chili, beans (kidney, pinto, green, black, refried, lima), baby food/formula and Ensure or other nutritional supplement drinks.

We will also accept unopened hotel size soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, as well as diapers.



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