



# The Wheatlands Wolftracks

## Newsletter

NOVEMBER  
2018

### Announcements:

Holiday Shoppe

Friday, November 30

6:00-8:00 pm

### Important Dates

November 1 – Conferences, 5 hour attendance

November 2 – Conferences, No School

November 5 -Chipotle Night

November 6 – No School, Election Day

November 8 – PTO Meeting @ 6:30 pm

November 12 – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Veterans Day Assemblies

November 15 – Dessert Days Pick Up, 4:00-5:30 pm

November 21-23 – No School

November 26 – Culver's Night, 1<sup>st</sup> grade serving

November 30 – Holiday Shoppe

### Notes from Dr. Harmon

During the past month our students have participated in many exciting activities and learning experiences at The Wheatlands. Some of these successful events include the Food Drive, Character Counts! Week, and Halloween Parties and Parades. Thank you for your assistance in making all of these events meaningful and fun for our students!

During the months of November and December, we celebrate the Character Counts! pillar of Caring. We remind students to be kind and compassionate, express gratitude, forgive others, and help people in need. Remind your child(ren) to wear Character Counts! clothing or the color **red** on Wednesdays during the months of November and December to show Caring.

We appreciate your cooperation with following the Arrival and Dismissal Procedures that are in place. As the weather gets colder and more parents/guardians are picking their children up through the car line, it is important to review the procedures and adhere to the guidelines that have been established to assist us with the safety of our students.

[Click HERE to learn about The Wheatlands' Positive Recognition Program!](#) We are in need of donations of \$5 or \$10 gift cards for staff who are recognized and selected for our weekly drawings this school year. If you are able to make a donation, please send to Dr. Harmon in the office. Thank you!

We look forward to seeing you at our Veterans Day Celebrations and Parent/Teacher Conferences this month.

On behalf of The Wheatlands Staff, we wish you and your family a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday.

## Veterans Day

On Monday, November 12 we will be hosting a Veteran's day Assembly to honor veterans who have served in the United States Armed Forces. If your child has a friend or family member who is a veteran, we would like to invite them to come as guests of honor to our assembly, at either 9:30 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. The PTO will host a short reception afterwards for our veterans. Wheatlands students in kindergarten, fourth, and fifth grades will be attending the 9:30 program. Second and third grades will attend the 2:00 program. First graders will be performing at both assemblies. Please click on the link below to let us know how many veterans and family members will be attending and at what time.

<https://goo.gl/forms/DCzxDkCQpwKQDjlc2>

Do you have a photo of your veteran? The Wheatlands would love a copy to display in honor of this very special day. Please send this non-returnable photo with your child by November 1.

Please fill out this form no later than Thursday, November 1. If you have any questions, please e-mail [mgreifenkamp@sd308.org](mailto:mgreifenkamp@sd308.org)

## Reminders from the Office

Parents are required to call the office at **636-3501** by 9:30am each day their child is absent and give the reason for the absence. **PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL THE TEACHER. ALWAYS CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOUR CHILD WILL NOT BE IN SCHOOL.** Many times this information is not relayed to the office.

**Please do not send transportation changes via email/voicemail to the classroom teacher, please contact the office directly at 636-3500.**

Please allow yourself extra time in the mornings when dropping off students. *We are experiencing a lot of tardies lately.* At 9:00am the bell signaling the beginning of the school day will ring. **Any student arriving after 9:00am is to use the main entrance doors facing Barrington Drive and MUST be walked in by a parent before going to the classroom for attendance purposes.**

## PTO INFO

### Holiday Shoppe

Our annual Holiday Shoppe will be held Friday, November 30, 6:00-8:00 pm. Local vendors will be selling items for families to purchase as gifts. This year the gym will be split with one side offering items for under \$10 and the other side for higher priced items.

We are excited to offer a gift-wrapping station, crafts and food in the cafeteria, entertainment from OEHS, and photos with Santa! We hope you can join us for a fun and festive evening.

We still have room for more vendors. Please find the vendor form at the end of the newsletter.

### Spirit Wear

New Spirit Wear options will be available soon. We will have samples at Holiday Shoppe and these items will be available for purchase online.

In addition, we will have in-stock Spirit Wear items available for cash or check at Holiday Shoppe as well.

### Dessert Days Pick Up

Thank you to all the families that purchased items from our Dessert Days sale. Products are scheduled to be delivered to school on Thursday, November 15. Please come to pick up your orders between 4:00-5:30 that day. Thank you!

Happy Fall! We hope October was a good month for you.

Thank you to all our parent volunteers for putting together fun Halloween parties for the kids. And a huge shout out to all families for the incredible response to our request for help feeding our awesome staff during conferences.

It is never too late to join the PTO. You may still join at <https://thewheatlandselementaryptoil.ptoffice.com> and use password twwolves1819 to register.



We had a wonderful Box Tops collection in October. Thank you to all families that sent them in. The next expiration date is 12/31/18. Mrs. Rost's class won the Incredible Indoor Recess contest. Congratulations!

**DINING NIGHTS...** Chipotle Dining Night is November 5. The Wheatlands will receive 33% of the proceeds from that evening. November 26 is Culver's Night with the 1st grade team serving.

Best wishes to everyone for great conferences this week and enjoy the numerous days off this month!

The Wheatlands PTO

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# **SELLERS WANTED!!!!**

The Wheatlands PTO will hold its **Annual Holiday Shoppe** on **Friday, November 30th, 2018 from 6-8pm**. The Holiday Shoppe is an opportunity for students and families to purchase quality gifts at affordable prices. Some examples might be jewelry, picture frames, ornaments, hair accessories, candles, scarves, etc. We've specifically had requests for more "boy/male" options; if you have anything like that, we'd love to hear about it!! This year, we will be doing something different and splitting the gym into two areas. One area will be items sold for \$10 and under. The other half of the gym will have items sold for more than \$10.

**Tables are reserved on a first come, first served basis. You must submit your form with payment to be registered. You will receive an email confirmation when your form and payment have been received.**

## Table Fees will be as follows:

### **Selling items \$10 and under:**

- **\$20 for a table and you keep your profits –or-**
- **\$15 if you bring your own table and you keep your profits.**

### **Selling items \$10 and over:**

- **\$30 for a table and you keep your profits – or-**
- **\$25 if you bring your own table and you keep your profits.**

If you are interested in participating, please fill out the form below and return it with your table fee to: The Wheatlands PTO, 2290 W .Barrington Dr. Aurora, IL 60503 **ATTN: Maria Sweeney by Friday November 10th.**

If you have any questions, please contact Maria Sweeney at: [ljsmama25@gmail.com](mailto:ljsmama25@gmail.com)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Item Description(s) : \_\_\_\_\_

Items Over \$10\_\_\_\_ Items Under\$10\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Table Fee Must Be Included: \_\_Cash \_\_Check

Do you need a table? Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Table Covering? Yes\_\_ No\_\_