

**Dear Peirce Families,**

Hopefully the storms this weekend will help break the heat and humidity we have been experiences the past few days. I want to remind our students they are permitted to bring a refillable water bottle to school and may fill them throughout the day at any of our five stations. As we begin our march to the end of the year, **June 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup>** (last school day) are now half days with an 11:30 a.m. dismissal. Additionally, schools will be closed on **Monday, May 30** for Memorial Day.

**Please see the news and notes for the week.**

### **Auditions for Concert Chorale to Take Place**

**Auditions for Concert Chorale are open for next year.** See the attached flyer below for all the information. Any 6th or 7th grade student in Chorus, Band, or Orchestra may audition. They are due **Tuesday, May 31**. Any additional questions may be sent to Mrs. Boyd at [dboyd@wcasd.k12.pa.us](mailto:dboyd@wcasd.k12.pa.us).

### **WCASD Offers Free Cyber Security Subscription**

The West Chester Area School District is pleased to offer our staff and district parents a paid subscription to Smart Social's Very Important Parent (VIP) Program. Josh Ochs, author of *Light, Bright, and Polite*, and his team created this resource to help teachers and parents understand the myriad of social media apps, which ones are safe, which ones to avoid, and how to help their students create a safe and positive digital presence. Through newsletters, live events, and a library of on-demand videos, staff and families can learn how to support their students in making good choices when using social media.

This subscription is completely free through **July 31, 2023**.

Please accept a FREE membership and learn how to navigate the popular social media apps your students (and your own children) use so they can stay safe and Shine Online!

It's EASY & FREE to sign up!

1. Visit <https://smartsocial.com/westchester> to create an account
2. Get access to all of the courses and sign-up for live events at <https://smartsocial.com/members>

### **Peirce library holding a book drive (May 1-May 25)**

Mrs. Rosenberger, our school librarian, is sponsoring a book drive for gently used books to be distributed to students for their summer reading. These book donations can be dropped off in the library from **May 3-May 21**. Please see the attached flyer below for more information or reach out to Mrs. Rosenberger ([CROSENBERGER@wcasd.k12.pa.us](mailto:CROSENBERGER@wcasd.k12.pa.us)).

### **Communities that Care looking for Feedback**

Each year WCASD partners with West Chester Communities That Care to bring expert speakers on timely topics to parents in our community. This local non-profit is already planning for next year's lineup of speakers and would like to learn what topics the WCASD community would most like to see covered. Please take two minutes to complete this brief survey by clicking [here](#). Together we will improve outcomes for youth. Additional information can be found on the flyer attached below.

### **Champs Club-After School Homework Club**

Champ's Club is an after-school homework club that is held every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00-4:00 p.m. in the library-No sign-up necessary. Students can use this resource to get support or just a quiet space to get caught up on school work. Pick-up will take place at the flag pole in the front of the school. Please reach out to Mrs. Czerwinski ([tczerwinski@wcasd.k12.pa.us](mailto:tczerwinski@wcasd.k12.pa.us)) or Ms. Sabogal ([ssabogal@wcasd.k12.pa.us](mailto:ssabogal@wcasd.k12.pa.us)) with any questions.

### **Calendar --Look Ahead**

**Monday, May 23-Day 1**

**Tuesday, May 24-Day 2**

**Wednesday, May 25 Day 3**

**Thursday, May 26-Day 4**

**Friday, May 27-Day 5**

**Monday, May 30-No School (Memorial Day)**

**Have a great week!**

[Concert Chorale Auditions DUE MAY 31.pdf](#)

[Library Book Drive 2022.pdf](#)

[Speaker Series Input Request 5.1.22.pdf CHAMPS Poster.pdf](#)