# **Wester Weekly**

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#### **General Information-**

**LONE STAR SHOWDOWN**- Beginning on Feb 23, students can start setting up teams for this year's Lone Star Showdown reading challenge. Teams need 3 students and one teacher; each kid needs to read a minimum of 5 books to compete in the Showdown on May 19. See Mrs. Friend in the library for details!

Headphones & Devices- Heads up, Wester! We want all students to be aware that effective immediately, we will not allow the use of large headphones during the school day. These noise cancelling headphones do not allow students to hear a teacher communicate when students are wearing them. Ear buds must be used for classroom projects with a BYOD and when listening is needed. Students should only use one ear bud at a time so they are able to hear the teacher communicate. Any other earphones that are brought to school must be stored in the student's locker.

We have also seen a rise in cell phone/device violations. As, as a reminder to parents & students, Frisco ISD's electronic device policies will be strictly enforced. Electronic devices are to be used only in classes that allow them for a BYOD lesson that day. If devices are seen outside of the instructional area (hallways, bathrooms, cafeteria during lunch, etc.) or in a classroom where they are not permissible for the day, they will be confiscated and a parent will be required to pick up the device in the front office. These policies can be reviewed in the student handbook and the Wester Addendum on our Wester website under the "resources" tab.

**Donations for Wester's afternoon of service**- Our students will be participating in a service project on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. We are in need of donations for this project. Attached is a list of items we will be collecting. You may drop off the items on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>- Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Drop off locations are as follows. 6<sup>th</sup> grade (Muecke #608), 7<sup>th</sup> grade (Hampel #705), & 8<sup>th</sup> grade (Chepey #806)

## Monday (2/22)-

- Spring portraits taken of all students- Online ordering site <u>www.mylifetouch.com</u> Picture day ID is DO015570X0
- Tennis/Track portraits
- Pre-UIL Band Concert in cafeteria @ 6pm
- Centennial HS Cheerleader Tryout <u>Parent</u> Informational Meetingparent/guardian must attend. 6:30 @ CHS multi-purpose room

## **Tuesday (2/23)-**

- Advisory Bell Schedule
- Hoops for Heart tickets on sale during all lunches-\$5
- Academic Pentathlon Meeting = 3:45-4:15pm in the orchestra room

- Hobbies for Happiness- 3:40-4:20 in Ms. Stockard's room (#706)
- Wildcats on the Run- @ Wester track (3:45-4:15pm)
- Improv Show Auditions

## Wednesday (2/24)-

- Hoops for Heart tickets on sale during all lunches-\$5
- Track & Field Meet @ Independence HS- 4:30pm

## Thursday (2/25)-

- **Hoops for Heart** basketball game- staff vs. student basketball game benefits the American Heart Association- 4:00 pm in gym. \$5 admission/donation (tickets also on sale during all lunches)
- Advisory Bell Schedule
- Robotics Club Meeting- 3:35-4:30pm in Ms. Cohn's room (709)

## Friday (2/26)-

End of 4<sup>th</sup> marking period

## **Upcoming Events-**

- 3/2- Track & Field Meet @ Frisco ISD Memorial Stadium
- 3/3- Concert Band @ Independence HS for UIL
- **3/4- National Junior Honor Society** applications, essays, & membership fees due (applications were given to qualifying students) Fees are paid through <a href="https://www.mypaymentsplus.com">www.mypaymentsplus.com</a> No late applications will be accepted.

3/7-3/11- Spring Break (No School)

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