Reflection assembly

What went well in 2023 and how can we make 2024 better!

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EXPECTATIONS AT SCHOOL WIDE EVENTS

No horseplay

Follow the WMS Three Rs

Have a great time

Listen Attentively

2023 Positives

- Celebrated our National Blue Ribbon Recognition
- SPORTS celebration
- Awesome band, orchestra and chorus concerts
- Music Department earning Blue Ribbon Recognition
- Chorus won best overall choir at Kings Dominion 2023
- Seeing students everyday choose to be kind and work hard
- Awesome Best Buddies Club!

2023 Positives

- Classroom participation
- Collaboration with peers in class
- Honest Feedback
- Girls' Soccer 2023 Co-County Champs
- Boys' Basketball 2023 Co- County Champs
- Wolfpaws
- Only 1 phone call from a local business regarding student behavior

2024 ROOM TO GROW



Beginning of the year expectation reminders and where we can work to grow

Williamsburg Middle School Guiding Principles

R espect yourself

R espect others



R espect our shared environment

Mornings

Arrival:

- Must go to grade level areas before the 7:40am bell
- You may <u>not go to lockers</u> or visit teachers before the 7:40am bell (unless you have pre-arranged for a club/activity) - BE PREPARED
- **School begins at 7:50am**. Please arrive to school on time... arriving to school on time matters to the WMS school culture.

Breakfast:

- Must be eaten in the cafeteria. You may not take food from the cafeteria.
- No food or drink in the gym or auditorium
- Eat at designated tables to keep cafeteria clean in the morning

RESPECTING YOURSELF

- Be on time and come prepared
- Responsible for your OWN actions
- Turn off your phone; place it in the locker
- Turn off your AirPods; place in the locker
- Ipad usage appropriate usage
- Coming to school dressed appropriately

Be on time and be prepared

- Arrive to school on time (~ 7:25 7:45)
- Get ALL necessary materials:
 - *binders, writing tools, assignments, books, etc. from bag/locker
 - *IR book/library books
- Get to class before the TA bell rings, by 7:50
- Always do your BEST don't be afraid to ask for help when you need it.
- Maintain a positive attitude!
- Do your own work; do not share your work with others

CELL PHONES

Cell phones, Airpods, electronic watches must be <u>turned off</u> and <u>put away</u> from 7:50 am – dismissal. <u>This means it should not be out and in use, including watches</u>

If you have your phone out in a classroom, hallway, or cafeteria:

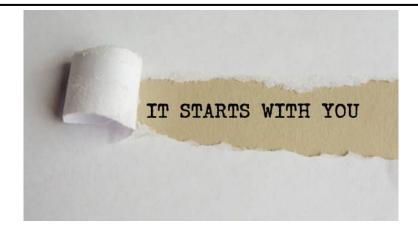
- •1st offense WARNING
- 2nd offense Taken by your teacher and you pick up from the office at the end of the day.
- •3rd offense and beyond **Your phone goes to the main office and your parent will need to pick it up.**

IPADS

- School issued device (it is not a personal device)
- Utilized ONLY for learning purposes (classwork and homework)
- Follow Arlington Public Schools rules when using your device anywhere.
- * Follow WMS school rules & staff instructions when using your device and the APS network.
- Put away the ipad when asked by the teacher or any adult in the classroom.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOU

- Take responsibility for your actions without blaming others
- Own your mistakes without blame and make a change
- Do the right thing even when no one is watching!



RESPECTING OTHERS

- Teasing
- Racial slurs
- Prejudice and discriminatory comments
- Responding to adults
- "Hands off" school

Teasing and inappropriate Language

- When teasing is meant to hurt and is done over and over, it can become bullying.
- Bullying is repetitive behaviors against someone else: serious consequences will follow.
- Remember, what is playful to you may not be playful to another. If someone is hurt then teasing is hurtful.
- Report bullying, harassment and targeting to an adult

There is no tolerance of inappropriate language at WMS.

Remember, words you use to describe a person's gender or race may be considered harassment or may be dehumanizing.

RESPECT FOR ALL ADULTS

WAYS TO SHOW RESPECT

- Be polite to all adults
- Listen when an adult is speaking; don't interrupt
- Speak when given the chance to respond; respond politely
- Speak with an adult before leaving class or location you are supposed to be at
- Apologize when wrong
- Follow classroom directions or the rules
- Be honest and kind



"HANDS OFF" SCHOOL

- * Refrain from pulling or pushing each other
- Refrain from tugging and pulling a peer's clothing
- This includes fighting, play fighting, and any physical "fooling around".
- "Flat Tires"
- **KEEP YOUR HANDS TO YOURSELF.**

Refusal to adhere to this policy could result in disciplinary action.

RESPECTING OUR SHARED ENVIRONMENT

- Cafeteria expectations
- Transitions in the hallways
- Locker maintenance
- Bathroom expectations
- Our shared responsibility
- School Buses

CAFETERIA EXPECTATIONS

- Walk into the cafeteria
- Stand behind the red line to get your lunch in orderly line
- ❖ Sit at a table three or four students to a bench; be inclusive
- * All trash must be cleaned up in your area when finished eating.
 - This includes the floor underneath and around your table.
- Listen to any adults that are speaking to the entire cafeteria or to you.
- Control your voices no yelling, screaming,
- If given time to go outside respect others and environment; enter safely

TRANSITIONS IN THE HALLWAYS

SCHOOL BUS

❖ Walk

Remember that we are a "hands off" school

Get to class on TIME

Gather your belongings and go

to class

Use inside voices in the

hallway

• Feet and hands out of the aisles

Report damage

Appropriate volume

Nothing hanging out t

Nothing hanging out the windows

Respectful behavior toward driver
and staff

Lockers

BATHROOMS

Your responsibility to:

Keep it neat

Retrieve your materials quickly

Close the locker door (prevents theft)

FOLLOW THE CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

Sign out & get the classroom pass

Go to the nearest bathroom

Return in the expected time

Respect the shared environment - no destruction of school property

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Hold each other accountable

"W" IN EVERYTHING

