

Pershing News

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Important Dates

March 5

District Wide Art Show

March 6

Read Across America

March 7

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Math Night

March 13

NO SCHOOL

MARCH 14

PTA Meeting at **4:00PM**

March 20

Fluoride Treatment

April 4

PTA Meeting at **6:00PM**

April 7

Spring Picture Day

April 12

H.I.D.

April 13-21

NO SCHOOL

April 24

School Resumes

April 28

Last Day for Open Enrollment

Message from the Principal

Dear Pershing Families,

We are quickly approaching the time of year when our students take the state assessment called, "Forward." All students at Pershing in grades 3-5 will be required to take this test. The testing window is between March 20th – May 5th. The Pershing staff will put together a schedule that will work for our students without disrupting the day to day learning process. One thing that I will continually remind parents of is to make sure that students are on time to school. During the testing process, we want to make sure that students have as little stress as possible.

On February 7th, our 4th and 5th grade students attended JA Biztown as a way to learn what it is like to be an adult and have to balance a budget and make important everyday decisions about finances. The staff could not be prouder of the effort and enthusiasm displayed by the students throughout their trip to Biztown. The Biztown staff commented on a number of occasions on how well our students behaved, how respectful they were, and how hard they worked. Great job Pershing students!

Finally, I just want to remind parents how important it is to have your children at school on time at the beginning of the day as well as picked up on time each day after school.

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Principal, Steve Harris
Academic Dean, Nicole Blohm
Secretary, Janice Schwasinger

We do have the Action 3:30 program after school until 5:30 every day if picking up at 3:30 presents a problem. We want the students to be safely supervised instead of waiting on the playground after 4:00 for parents to arrive. If you have any questions about Action 330 or dismissal policies, don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Steve Harris

Principal/Pershing

PTA Meeting Changes

The PTA is trying some **new** meeting times in hope that it might be more convenient for parents or staff to join us. For our regular members please note the following changes:

March 14—4:00 PM

April 4—6:00 PM (Date change due to H.I.D.)

Youth Art Month

WAWM School District is having their annual district wide student art event. This event will be featuring art displays and musical performances also, a flower pot sale. **Our very own Pershing Choir will be performing at 3:00PM**, so try to stop by I'm sure you'll be happy you did!

Where: WAWM Administration Building

1205 S. 70 Street, West Allis 53214

When: Sunday, March 5

Time: 1:00 PM to 4:00PM



Box Top Contest

Keep collecting Box Tops! We will be having an all school contest in **May**. The class that brings in the most Box Tops will win an ice cream party. Doesn't that sound like fun?



Bake Sale Chairperson-
Jacenia Ledezma

Pershing Elementary Earns State Recognition

Pershing Elementary School is proud to announce that we have been named a 2015-16 Wisconsin School of Recognition. This is the 7th time since the 2006-07 school year that Pershing has earned this award. In order to qualify, schools must be in the top 25 percent of high poverty schools in the state, and must have above-average student achievement in reading and mathematics. Pershing is one of only 169 schools state-wide to be awarded this recognition. Seven other schools from the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District also received this honor. Joining Pershing Elementary are Franklin Elementary, Horace Mann Elementary, Jefferson Elementary, Longfellow Elementary, Wilson Elementary, Lincoln Intermediate and West Milwaukee Intermediate. We would like to thank our students and staff for the hard work and dedication they put forth each and every day on behalf of educating all children at Pershing Elementary and the entire WAWM community.

Crossing Guards Needed

Pershing parents Flynn City Security is looking for a dependable adult to work part-time as a crossing guard. This would be a paid position, one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon. For more information please call Flynn City Security at 414-328-0208 or stop in at 7514 Lincoln Ave, West Allis.

Yearbook

Keep an eye open for the yearbook order forms to come home in your child's backpack. **Order forms will be sent out in the near future.** The cost of the yearbook is \$12.00.

Yearbook Chairperson-Mrs. Fiet

High Interest Day

High Interest Day will be held on Wednesday, April 12 this year. If you're not familiar with H.I.D., it's a day when students get to pick 5 classes from a long list of classes, that they think sound interesting and then engage in them. It's a fun filled day that we all look forward to, if you are available to help on this day, look for the purple packet to come home in your child's in the upcoming days.

H.I.D. Chairperson-Jennifer Pawlak

Two for the Show

Two for the Show is a **free** fun –filled event for **all two year olds living in the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District** and their parents/guardians. *Two for the Show* focuses on ways to help children grow and develop.

Where: West Allis Health Department

7120 W. National Avenue

When: Thursday, April 27, 3:00 pm-6:15 pm

Friday, April 28, 8:30 am-11:00 am

Please call (414) 302-8600 to make an appointment.



Pershing's Read Across America Week

March 6th through March 10th.

During this week, students will have the opportunity to dress up with the theme of the day.

Monday, 6th-Wear crazy socks or wacky clothes (mismatch, backwards, etc.). Book: *Fox in Socks*

Tuesday, 7th-Wear anything you have related to theme of Star Wars (**no weapons**). Book: *Star Wars*

Wednesday, 8th-Wear pajamas. Book: *Sleep Book*

Thursday, 9th-Wear hats, bow-ties, or headbands.

Book: *Cat in the Hat*

Friday, 10th-Wear College, High School, Pershing Elementary or Pershing colors.

Book: *Oh the Places You'll Go*

Parent/Teacher Conferences AND Math Night

Parent/Teacher Conferences are being held on a **request basis only**. The night of Tuesday, March 7th, from 4:30 pm through 6:30 pm.

Immediately following conferences Pershing will be hosting a Math Night, "MATH WARS". The theme for this evening is Star Wars, so come see what our students are doing in math and may the facts be with you! Math night will take place between 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm, participate in games, contests and more!

