

This is Tripp Crayton, Principal at Wakefield Middle School, with your weekly announcement. A copy of this message will be posted on the school's website in case you miss any information.

This is a reminder that school will be closed on Monday, September 7, 2009 for the Labor Day Holiday. Please remember that we will be having our "Meet-the-Teacher" Night on Thursday, September 10, 2009 beginning at 6:30 p.m. This time is later than announced last week. You are cordially invited to attend this event so that you can meet your child's teachers. You will also have the opportunity to join our PTSA.

Our PTSA is sponsoring a school-supply drive to help our students who are less fortunate. If you could bring extra supplies to "Meet-the-Teacher" Night to place in our drop boxes, that would be outstanding. Drop-off boxes can also be found in the front office and Student Services lobby. Any help you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Wakefield Middle School will be participating in Box Tops for Education to earn money for our school. Contact one of your child's teachers for more information. You are probably already familiar with the program so have your child bring in some box tops today!

I am looking of a parent to serve as the Wakefield Middle School representative for the WCPSS Board of Education Advisory Council for this school year. As the school's representative, you will attend quarterly meetings with the District 3 Board member, Kevin Hill, and other representatives of schools within District 3 to provide input in shaping policies by the Board of Education. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Crayton ASAP. Thank you for your consideration.

Our first monthly PTSA newsletter will be sent home this afternoon with your child. We will send the newsletter on the last Friday of each month (except for this first newsletter). The newsletter provides you with a calendar of events for the month as well as extracurricular and volunteer opportunities. A copy of the newsletter will also be posted on our website.

As you may have heard, President Obama will deliver a national address to students via the Web and C-SPAN on Tuesday, September 8th to encourage students to set high academic goals and to do their best to succeed in school. Although we will not show this video as a school-wide event, teachers may elect to show the video if it aligns with their curriculum and meets the North Carolina Standard Course of Study. Teachers who may decide to show the video will send home a permission form for you to approve your child watching the video. Students will be given an alternative assignment if you do not grant permission.

Have a great and enjoyable weekend. Goodbye.