



Walter Johnson High School Education Foundation, Inc.

6400 Rock Spring Drive, Bethesda, Maryland 20814

August 2016

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2016-17 school year. We look forward to the coming year and opportunities to continue to help make WJ an excellent school for all students. We urge you to get involved in the PTSA, the All-School Booster Club and the WJ Education Foundation and give generously to each of the organizations.

The WJ Ed Foundation focuses on supplementing school system funding to take WJ's programs from great to excellent and to provide opportunities for all students to use modern, professional quality equipment in courses taught by broadly trained staff. We are able to raise and donate money with fewer restrictions than the PTSA and with a broader school focus than the Booster Club for student programs, facilities improvements, and staff development grants. We work with the school to determine needs and wishes; and we work closely with the PTSA and Booster Club with advocacy and fundraising efforts.

The support from our families and community—current parents, alumni and others such as the Kensington 8K Race—has totaled over \$475, 000. With this money, we have provided professional quality equipment and materials for students and supported professional development grants for our teachers including coursework in graduate programs, study abroad, and conferences. We purchased a Chromebook cart for a second year in a row and funded a portion of activity buses for extracurricular clubs. This year we will again partner with the Kensington 8K and we hope to see many WJ students, staff, alumni and friends race, walk or cheer on the runners on September 17th.

We are excited to be planning an afternoon at the movies, “Lights, Camera, Auction” on September 24th. It will be a time for parents to get together, see a movie and purchase a variety of auction items. Details will follow soon with the firm date/time, ticket sales, the movie showing, and opportunities to donate or volunteer. Proceeds will fund teacher requests for materials, equipment and training.

One concrete example of your donations used to beautify the school is the Wildcat Walkway at the rear of the school near the gym entrance. It is an attractive enhancement to the area and a focus as alumni return to see the engraved bricks for years to come. We order annually, see the order information attached.

We need your support to meet our goals; please give as generously as you can. Following is a form for contributions or on our website at wjedfoundation.org. The website includes information on getting involved, purchasing bricks or auditorium seat plates, and our upcoming fundraisers. We meet each month on the first Wednesday night and welcome new parents or alumni to join us.

Marney Jacobs, WJ ED Foundation President

Run for WJ on September 17th at the Kensington 8K

An annual Kensington tradition since 1993, **the Kensington 8K, 2 Mile Challenge and 1K Fun Run is a** challenging race that supports three public schools: Kensington Parkwood Elementary, North Bethesda Middle School and Walter Johnson High School. For more information on the race visit the website www.kensington8k.org

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Support WJ by giving generously. Please use the form below and/or on-line to donate, order bricks or seats at wjedfoundation.org or send the form to school or mail to:

WJHS Education Foundation, Inc., Walter Johnson High School, 6400 Rock Spring Drive, Bethesda, MD 20814

Contributor Contact Information:

Name _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Address _____

Children/alumni date of graduation _____

All contributions to the WJHS Education Foundation are tax deductible.

Donate- we appreciate any amount large or small that in turn benefits our students.

____ Rainbow Level	\$250	____ Bronze Level	\$100
____ Gold Level	\$200	____ Green Level	\$50
____ Silver Level	\$150	____ Other amount \$	_____

Buy a Brick Buy an engraved 4x8 brick that will be placed in the Wildcat Walkway at the rear of the school. Bricks may be personalized with clipart options. Mini-replica bricks to keep are also available for \$20 each. Bricks can have 20 characters on 3 lines or with clip art, 3 lines of 12 characters. Bricks will be added annually in lots of 100. See the order form on the website for details on spacing and clip art options.

____ Engraved bricks @\$100 ____ Mini-replica bricks @ \$20

Mini-replica bricks will be delivered in the summer. The WJ Ed Foundation reserves the right to screen text.

Lights, Camera, Auction- September 24th

An afternoon at the movies with the WJ Education Foundation. Details to follow soon; check our website for ticket sales, or email Karin Bolte at kbolte6008@gmail.com or Seth Meyers at seth.meyers@gmail.com to volunteer or donate an item.

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