



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

August 2018

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2018-19 school year, especially to the freshmen and new families. You are joining a wonderful high school community with a range of opportunities for your children and ways for you to be involved through the PTSA, the All-School Booster Club, and the WJ Education Foundation. Please join and give as generously as you can to each of these organizations with both your time and financial support.

The WJ Education 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. This year we are sharing the cost of a Chromebook cart with the PTSA and Booster Club for a social studies teacher in the new portables.

The support from our families and community—current parents, alumni and others such as the Kensington 8K Race—has totaled almost \$525, 000. With this money, we have provided professional quality equipment and materials for students, such as Chromebook carts, and supported professional development grants for our teachers including coursework in graduate programs, study abroad, and conferences. 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 22nd.

We are excited to be planning our annual fall fundraiser, Winterfest, which will include a variety of silent auction items. Please put November 10th from 2 PM – 4 PM on your calendars and look for information soon on opportunities to donate or volunteer. Proceeds will fund teacher requests for materials, equipment and training.

In addition to supporting our Silent Auction and other events, we also encourage you to consider purchasing an engraved brick for 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 when we meet the minimum order total; please see the order information attached.

We need your support to meet our goals; please give as generously as you can. Attached is a form for contributions, or you may also donate 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 most months on the first Wednesday night and welcome new parents or alumni to join us. Thanks for your support and we look forward to seeing you this year!

Marney Jacobs, WJ ED Foundation President

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Support WJ by giving generously. Please use the form below and/or go 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 _____

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 clip art 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 in lots of 50. 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.

Run for WJ on September 22nd 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 area public schools: Kensington Parkwood Elementary, North Bethesda Middle School, Silver Creek Middle School, and Walter Johnson High School. For more information on the race, visit the website www.kensington8k.org.

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