



JOHN MUIR MIDDLE SCHOOL
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Dear John Muir Family,

Welcome to the 2011-2012 school year! We look forward to the arrival of your son/daughter and have spent many hours planning to ensure the new school year begins on a positive note.

We have set up several dates and times for students to pick up schedules, pay fees, take pictures and purchase a physical education lock and/or shirt, if needed. (See the enclosed green sheet.) Remember that students will have their "traditional" school portraits taken during schedule pick-up. These portraits will be published in the yearbook and used for their student I.D. Please take time to review and discuss the important information included in this letter with your child.

The WSD has now had a year to work with Infinite Campus, our new student database system. We continue to refine procedures and edit the information on each student to make it as accurate as possible. For this reason we provided a Census Verification Report for each of our 2011-2012 students at the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year requesting you edit and return this important document to us. If you did not edit the information at that time, we will ask that you confirm the accuracy of this information prior to receiving your student's schedule. Please note that this may add time to the schedule pick-up process for you.

We would also like to invite you to our Activities Fair and school-wide Open House being held on Tuesday, August 30th. The Activities Fair will run from 6:00–6:30 p.m. for students who are interested in signing up for extracurricular activities. The Open House will be held from 6:30–8:00 p.m. when parents/guardians and students are welcome to walk through classrooms and visit informally with teachers.

We are proud of the quality of the John Muir staff. All teachers hold a current teaching license, and many of them have advanced degrees. If you would like to review the state qualifications for your child's teacher, you may find this information on the DPI website at www.dpi.state.wi.us/dpi/d/sis/tel/lisearch.html. In addition, we have a number of instructional paraprofessionals who qualify through professional development activities for work in the classroom. If you would like more information, please feel free to contact John Muir or call the Wausau School District's Human Resource and Employee Relations Department in the Longfellow Administration Center (715-261-2500).

School will officially start on Thursday, September 1st. The building will be open at 7:30 a.m., and all students are to report to their homeroom by 7:40 a.m. For students who would like breakfast, the school will be open (enter through West entrance) at 7:15 a.m.

The John Muir staff is committed to working together with you and your child to ensure a successful and rewarding educational experience.

Sincerely,

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Principal

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Enclosures