

MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 6, 2019 Wednesday B Day

- Attention Western Tech... This week, February 3rd through the 9th, is SkillsUSA Week. SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. Be sure to congratulate the following students from our Business Magnet who earned certification as a Microsoft Office Specialist in Excel:
 - Sheri Adewumi
 - Islamiyya Aina
 - Indya Allen
 - Nountenin Barry
 - Amaya Freeman
 - Tosin Idowu
 - Christian Johnson
 - Krvs Johnson
 - Nickolas Johnson
 - Brian Kioko

- Ife Kolade
- Angel Li
- Patrick Manoto
- Lauren Michael
- Isabelle Paule
- Jennifer Puentes
- Jamaun Tatum
- Jha'la Tucker
- Fiyin Tunji-Ekundayo
- Haonan Zhuang

Be sure to thank your Magnet teacher this week.

- ➤ The Spanish Honor Society is selling beautiful, colorful Pulsera bracelets for \$5 and Bolsita Purses for \$10 in the front lobby every morning, from 7:00-7:20 now through February 14th. Come out and help us support artists in Central America!
- ➤ There is an important SASA Meeting TODAY after school at 2:10pm.
- ➤ It's Black History Month! This month BSA would like to inform you about the myriad of trailblazers who represent the magnets and content areas in our school. Today we head over to English to take a look at a trailblazer in literature. Phillis Wheatly was born in Gambia, Africa. She was brought to

America as a slave. However, after receiving instruction in reading, Latin, Greek and other arts she became the first female African American author ever published. Take some time to check out today's recognized trailblazer, Phillis Wheatley.

- Attention Future Healthcare Professionals and HOSA Members: We would like to extend a very special congratulations to Abdullah Bajwah, Shelby Jones, Omer Sherif, Nelson Bracamonte, Armstrong Christopher, TJ Borode, and Sharon Abdulsalam for placing in their Regional HOSA Competitions. We are very proud of you for your continued dedication and hard work. Abdullah, Shelby, Omer, Nelson, Armstrong, TJ, and Sharon will now proceed to the Maryland State HOSA Competition to square off with others around the state. Please be sure to wish them the all the best
- Attention all current 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students: do you still need a Fine Arts credit? You may want to consider Piano, Guitar, or Chorus class. Each of these classes will provide a much needed break in your rigorous schedule while developing the skills you need to play an instrument or develop your singing voice. Guitar and Piano class do NOT require a signature, but Chorus does. Please see Mrs. Carlino for a chorus signature.
- Attention Debate and Speech Team: There will be a mandatory meeting TODAY afterschool from 2:10-3 in room 305. Any student participating in this Saturday's debate at Towson must attend.
- The deadline to order the 2019 yearbook is February 15th. This year we will have a very limited number of yearbooks available for cash sale in May; therefore, it's important to place your on-line order for your yearbook by the February 15th date. The price is \$70 plus tax. To place your yearbook order, go to the Western Tech website and click on the yearbook web banner, which is located on bottom right hand side of the homepage. If you have any questions concerning the yearbook, please feel free to contact our yearbook advisor, Mr. Adelung via email at jdelung@bcps.org.
- The BSA will be meeting TODAY after school in the cafeteria. The BSA is still looking for acts for its Feb. 22 Talent Show. If you are interested, please schedule a tryout session with Ms. Johnson in guidance.
- Juniors, if you are interested in joining the National Technical Honor Society, you have until this Friday, February 8th, to turn in your paperwork into Mr.

- Mather in room 231. If you need the application form, you can get one from your magnet teacher or from Mr. Kather.
- Are you looking for something to do before the boys basketball game on Friday? Are you down for celebrating Black History Month? FBLA is ghosting Free Movie Night showing "Hidden Figures." There will be food combos and cool souvenir cups. So show up and show out with us this Friday at 2:30pm.
- The Anime Club will meet until 3:30pm TODAY after school in room 106.
- Attention all FALL athletes. The fall sports awards will be held in the gym on Tuesday, February 12th at 6:00pm.
- ➤ Do you find yourself struggling in French class? Well, have no fear because French Tutoring is here! Available both A and B days during various lunches. Don't wait until it's too late! Make life easier for yourself. Give yourself a break. The National French Honor Society is here to help. Sign up outside of room 200.
- ASA is holding its next meeting on Thursday the 7th, from 2:30 to 3:30. All are welcome and we hope to see you there!!!
- Bonjour! Come out to the next French Club meeting on Wednesday, February 6th from 2:10-3:00pm in room 200. Help us plan Mardi Gras activities! Everyone is welcome, French students and others.
- ➤ Due to schools being closed and delayed last week, the registration cards are due TODAY. Please see Mrs. Martinez or your guidance counselor if you have any questions.
- Wanna have fun before the Basketball game? FBLA is hosting a movie night featuring the movie Hidden Figures in celebration of Black History Month. Its free admission!! So come out on Friday, February 8th and watch a movie then cheer on our basketball team. Blast off into the 2nd semester with some fun and school spirit.
- ➤ Seniors! Are you getting excited to graduate in June? Well, for some of you who haven't bought your cap & gown yet, you will NOT be walking across the stage! Please order your cap & gown by following the instructions on the green flyer that you received at the Senior Meeting in December. Sorry —

you gotta pay the higher price of \$35. Write yourself a note RIGHT NOW! In April, the company will no longer accept orders. Hurry up and get on it!

SAT Word of the week

REPRIEVE (pronounced: "reh-PREEVE" or "ree-PREEVE") – a noun meaning "a break, pause, or rest; a temporary let off)

"Students woke up and checked twitter, BCPSOne, and the news, all hoping for a snowstorm to offer a REPRIEVE from schoolwork."