



Celebrating 35 Years of Nurturing Children

## WEST SIDE MONTESSORI CENTER

September 7, 2010

# The Inside Story



## Sweet September Sundae

Sunday, September 12  
3-5:30 pm

The annual Sweet September Sundae ice cream social is just around the corner. It is a great place to catch up with old friends and to welcome new families to West Side. Come join us at the Bancroft Campus on Sunday, September 12, from 3-5:30 pm where there will be fun and refreshments for everyone.

Hero's, the Party Experience, will add to the fun in the form of inflatables and airbursh tatoos. Gracing the center stage will be Wilson Lake and the Rock Bass, singing some of their ever-popular tunes like Burnt Marshmallow Blues, Rock Skippin', Dirt Bike Racer, and Fish Flippin' Fever.

If it's crafts you are looking for, there will be plenty of activities. Join us at the craft table to decorate your own canvas wallets, color your own key chains and discover the "magic" in the magic ornaments and more.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help out, please email Barb Masters at [barb@barbmasters.com](mailto:barb@barbmasters.com).

If you plan to attend, please fill out the flyer sent home over the summer. If you need another copy, stop in your campus office. We look forward to seeing you there! Remember to bring your blankets and chairs.

### CALENDAR

Sept 7	Tue	Parents' Association Meeting (BC)	7 pm
		All Parents Welcome!	
Sept 10	Fri	Deadline for Pizza Day Order Forms	
Sept 12	Sun	Sweet September Sundae (BC)	3-5:30 pm
Sept 13	Mon	Acorn to Oak (MC)	9-10:30 am
Sept 14	Tue	Acorn to Oak (MC)	9-10:30 am
Sept 16	Thu	Lower Elementary Parent Night (MC)	7 pm

*MC McCord Campus BC Bancroft Campus PC Perrysburg Campus*

### Family Business Section West Side Roster

If you would like to list your family's business in the 2010-2011 Student Roster, please complete the attached information sheet and return it to your campus office no later than Monday, October

## Welcome, New Staff

There are some new faces around West Side. Jenni Miller is the new Emerald Room teacher with Polly Schultz. Katie Ingersoll joins Jenn Schoepf in the Sapphire Room. Lower Elementary welcomes Tonya Reynolds and Yvonne Nickell to LEA, and Molly Bernhardt to LEB. Tom Strong teams up with Mary Brandon in the Middle School program. Barbara Zona is on board as the Pre-Primary French teacher. Welcome to all!



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## West Side Offers Great Extracurricular Programs

West Side is pleased to offer many wonderful options for after school extracurricular activities. Please read the program descriptions below. Registration forms for each extracurricular are available on the school website and in your campus office. To download and print a registration form go to [www.wsmctoledo.org](http://www.wsmctoledo.org) and click on the "Extra, Extra" icon on the home page. All completed forms are due by Wednesday, September 16.

All extracurriculars will begin the week of September 21. Enrollment for all activities is on a first-come basis and class sizes are limited. Perrysburg families are more than welcome to enroll their children in age-appropriate offerings at the McCord Campus; they will just need to transport their children.

### **Deb's Art McCord**

**Levels 1-3, MC, Thu, 3-4 pm, 5 wks, \$79**

Taught by West Side's amazing art teacher, Deb Simoff! Students will experiment with a variety of mediums as they create masterpieces and reveal their inner artist! Their "outer" artist will be displayed, too, as projects include decorating an art apron.

### **Deb's Art Bancroft**

**Levels 4-8, BC, Wed, 3:15-4:15 pm, 5 wks, \$79**

Students will experiment with a variety of mediums as they create masterpieces and reveal their inner artist! Their "outer" artist will be displayed, too, as projects include decorating an art apron.

### **New Offering! Bancroft Glee Club**

**Levels 4-8, BC, Mon, 3:15-4:15 pm, 12 wks, \$150**

West Side teacher Jill Reinstein is offering an after-school choral program. Students will learn vocal styling, concert etiquette and stage presence. They will be exposed to rounds, American folk songs and musical theatre selections. The session will culminate in a short concert performance for family and friends.

### **French**

**Pre-Primary, MC, Fri, 3-4 pm, 9 wks, \$108**

West Side French teacher Margaret Kohler will expand your child's enjoyment of French in a casual, relaxing after-school playtime for pre-primary students. The students will be immersed in a variety of stories, games, music, French videos and other creative activities designed to increase their familiarity with the language. They'll even build an Eiffel Tower!

### **KEY**

**MC-McCord Campus**

**BC-Bancroft Campus**

**PC-Perrysburg Campus**

### **Irish Dancing**

**Levels K-1, MC, Tue, 3:30-4 pm, 9 wks, \$95**

**Levels 2-3, MC, Tue, 4-4:30 pm, 9 wks, \$95**

**Advanced, Levels 4-8, BC, Wed, 3:30-4 pm, 11 wks, \$116**

**Beg./Int., Levels 4-8, BC, Wed, 4-4:30 pm, 11 wks, \$116**

West Side teacher Molly Kujawa is offering classes in Irish Dance. Students will be taught traditional solo dancing and ceili (group dances for 4 or more dancers) dancing. Solo dancing emphasizes fitness and self-discipline and ceili (or figure) dancing focuses on teamwork. Beginners will work on basic footwork, body position and movements. Beginners will also learn soft shoe dances: light jigs, reels and single jigs, as well as ceili dances (group dances). Returning students will review steps and dances and will also learn the slip jig, as well as more advanced jigs and reels.

### **Sports Skills**

**Pre-primary -7 yrs., MC, Fri, 3-3:45 pm, 9 wks, \$91**

This class will be filled with activities that will help your child develop many sports-related skills. The class will be taught by Michelle Breitner and will cover a variety of sports including track, soccer and baseball among others. This class is great preparation for success in organized sports.

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## More Great Extracurricular Options

### **Project ABC – Arts Bridging Culture**

**Pre-Primary, PC, Mon, 3-3:45 pm,**

**13 wks, \$156**

**Pre-Primary, MC, Tue, 3:15-4 pm,**

**12 wks, \$144**

Project ABC, Arts Bridging Culture, offers literacy and arts programming with professional artists and began as a Kellogg Foundation program. Project ABC teaching artists bring the world of literacy and visual arts together. We welcome back Kathy Humphrey as the instructor. The classes will begin with the reading of a book and be followed by related art activities.

### **Yoga for Kids**

**Pre-Primary-Level 3, MC, Mon, 3:15-4 pm,**

**13 wks, \$173**

**Ages 3+, PC, Thu, 3-3:45 pm, 11 wks, \$146**

Yoga is back! Instructor Katie Ingersoll has been facilitating yoga at West Side for over 10 years. She uses exciting and fun ways to teach the children about their bodies, minds, spirits and the world around them. The poses are meant to increase flexibility and coordination, while challenging imagination and enhancing respect for nature.

### **American Kenpo Karate**

**Age 5-Level 3, MC, Mon & Wed, 3:15-4 pm,**

**22 classes, \$154**

**Levels 4-8, BC, Tue & Thu, 3:15-4 pm, 23 classes,**

**\$161**

**Ages 4-K, PC, Fri, 3- 3:30 OR 3:30-4 pm,**

**9 classes, \$63**

Mike Sherman returns for his 18th year of teaching karate at West Side! New students will receive a karate uniform. New students can expect to achieve the first belt by the end of the session if they attend class regularly and work hard. Returning students are required to re-register and will work toward the next belt.

### **Ballet**

**Ages 4-7, MC, Fri, 4-4:45 pm, 9 wks, \$91**

Michelle Breitner, owner of the Creative Arts Center will teach students to dance to all of the famous ballets such as The Nutcracker, Firebird, Copellia and more. Students will be warming up with barre exercises going across the floor as well as learning about costuming, sets and props.

### **Spanish**

**Levels 1-3, MC, Tue, 3-3:45 pm, 12 wks, \$156**

Native Spanish speaker, Veronica Rooth, will share her talents in an after-school Spanish program for West Side children. Trained as a teacher in Lima, Peru, Veronica will offer a class for students in Levels 1-3. No previous Spanish instruction is necessary to enroll in this class. Using music, games, pictures and other materials to actively engage the children in learning, Veronica will teach beginning students colors, numbers, parts of the body, days of the week, foods and other basics of Spanish language. More advanced students will practice and improve their knowledge with vocabulary and conversation skills.

### **New Offering! Modeling, Poise and Etiquette**

**Levels 1-3, MC, Wed, 3:15-4 pm, 11 wks, \$143**

**Levels 4-8, BC, Thu, 3:15-4 pm, 11 wks, \$143**

Did you ever think it would be fun to be a model? Learn how to carry yourself with poise and confidence, practice manners appropriate for all situations and even learn about fashion! Instructor Veronica Rooth will cover a wide range of skills from how to set a table to sitting and walking properly.

### **Individual Violin and Viola Lessons: OFF-SITE**

If you are interested in private violin or viola lessons, professional musician Jennifer Burns offers lessons. Her teaching slots at West Side are full with returning students, but she has times available at the Toledo Symphony offices. Jennifer has a Master's degree in performance and currently plays viola with both the Toledo Symphony and the Tulsa Symphony. She has 10 years of experience teaching ages 4 - adult. For more information and to schedule lessons, please contact Jennifer directly at (h) 419-472-0281, (c) 479-616-4565 or [jenniferleighb@yahoo.com](mailto:jenniferleighb@yahoo.com).

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## **Participation in Corporate Giving Programs Support WSMC**

West Side participates in several corporate sponsored programs designed to support education. The programs require little effort from the participants yet offer the school financial and material benefits. We would like to make you aware of the programs and how to participate if you so choose.

### ***Campbell's Labels***

Clipping the labels off your favorite Campbell's and other participating brands can earn points for West Side to use toward the purchase of school materials. Please save the front label from all Campbell's cans and the UPC label from boxes or bags. Stop in to your campus office for a complete listing of qualifying brands. There are collection boxes in each campus office.

New this year! If you shop at Kroger, you can now register for e-Labels for Education and electronically collect Labels for Education using your shopper's card. Visit [www.elabelsforeducation.com/Sites/Campbells\\_eLabels](http://www.elabelsforeducation.com/Sites/Campbells_eLabels) to sign up.

### ***General Mills Box Tops***

This program is as easy as eating a bowl of cereal or having a snack! All you have to do is look for the Box Top logo on General Mills products, cut it out, and bring it to school. Watch your grocery receipt for bonuses which can be turned in to school too.

### ***Meijer Community Rewards***

Every time you shop at Meijer you can earn rewards for West Side through the store's incentive program, Meijer Community Rewards. The more you shop, the more you earn.

Here's how it works: Apply for a Meijer credit card or Meijer 1 card by filling out an application in any campus office or online at [Meijer.com/rewards](http://Meijer.com/rewards). Be sure to include West Side's code, 977192. If you already have a credit or guest card, call 1-800-962-7011 to link your account to West Side's code. In order for WSMC to receive credit, you must pay with cash, your pin debit card or your Meijer card.

### ***Target Take Charge***

As part of Target's Take Charge of Education program, Target will donate 1% of your store and target.com purchases charged to a registered school if you use your Target REDcard through their Take Charge of Education program.

It is easy to participate. If you don't already have a Target REDcard you can pick up an application at any Target store. Once you have your REDcard you can enroll in the Take Charge of Education program at [Target.com/tcoe](http://Target.com/tcoe) or by calling 1.800.316.6142. West Side's school account number is 14378. The beauty of this fundraising program is that anyone - grandparents, aunts, uncles - across the country who shops at Target can use a Target REDcard to contribute to West Side by calling linking his or her REDcard to West Side's school account number.

## **PACC Fall Fundraiser Kicks Off This Friday**

The Parents' Association Coordinating Committee (PACC) kicks off its annual fall fundraiser this Friday. Watch backpacks this week for an All American Fundraising packet. The sale includes cookie dough, pizza, West Side sports mugs and other great products.

Profits from this sale support PACC-sponsored events - like Sweet September Sundae and Harvest Hoedown - , parent programs, Destination Imagination, classroom requests and others. The sale continues until September 20.

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## Pizza Day Order Forms Due Friday

### *McCord & Bancroft Forms Online and In Offices*

This year the PACC is pleased to continue to offer the very popular Pizza Days! Vito's Pizza will be offered on the Thursdays listed below. The lunch program is for pre-primary, lower elementary, and upper elementary students only.

### **New Info About the Pizza Day Program**

- When you sign up for pizza days you are signed up for every pizza day of the year.
- The deadline for ordering pizza is September 10.
- Orders received between September 13 and October 7 will be charged an additional \$5 late fee.
- Orders received any time after October 7 will be charged an additional \$10 late fee.
- Also note that, like last year, ½ day children staying for lunch require a reservation with the office 24 hours ahead and will be charged for the afternoon enrichment program at \$7 per hour, per child.

Please use one form per child and return the entire form with payment (check made out to WSMC & not combined with any other school fees or payments) to either the McCord or Bancroft office no later than Friday, September 10.

Parent volunteers are needed to serve lunch in each classroom. Volunteers help count out plates, serve pizza, pour juice, etc. & are welcome to stay and enjoy a slice of pizza with their child. Email Glenda at [gmillar@wsmctoledo.org](mailto:gmillar@wsmctoledo.org) if you can help with Pizza Day at McCord or Bancroft.

### ***Perrysburg Pizza Day Forms This Week***

Perrysburg Campus Pizza Day registration forms are due Friday. Pizza Day in Perrysburg is offered to Little House, Pre-Primary and Kindergarten children. Pizza Days are listed below. Make checks payable to WSMC. Call Laurie Groff, 419.874.9385, with questions.

### **Pizza Days for 2010-2011 School Year**

<b>September 23</b>	<b>January 27</b>
<b>October 7</b>	<b>February 10</b>
<b>October 21</b>	<b>February 24</b>
<b>November 4</b>	<b>March 10</b>
<b>November 18</b>	<b>March 24</b>
<b>December 2</b>	<b>April 7</b>
<b>December 16</b>	<b>May 5</b>
<b>January 13</b>	<b>May 19</b>

## Busing Contracts Deadlines

If you reside in Anthony Wayne Local, Perrysburg Public, or Toledo Public school districts and would utilize the district's public schools' transportation service (ages K and up), you are eligible to apply for transportation reimbursement. Parents must apply every year. Applications for Perrysburg and Toledo Public are available in the McCord Campus office. To receive reimbursement for Anthony Wayne Local, you must send a letter requesting the form. The letter should contain the following: child's name, address, phone number, parental contact, attending school and child's grade level.

The submission deadline for Anthony Wayne Local is October 1. The submission deadline for Toledo Public is November 30. Perrysburg Public does not have a deadline.

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## Now Taking Registrations for Parent & Child Classes

West Side is currently taking registrations for the Saturday Parent and Child program and Acorn to Oak. Both programs will be held at the McCord Campus with the Acorn to Oak program meeting on Monday (for ages 13-24 months) and Tuesday (for ages 25 months-3 years) mornings.

The Saturday Class is designed for young children **who do not attend a weekday Montessori class** and who are 13 months (must be walking) through 5 years. Either parent is welcome to participate in the class, but we request that only one parent attend on a given Saturday. Parents are welcome to take turns attending with their child.

The Saturday Class meets from 10-11:30 am in The Little House and Pre-Primary classrooms at the McCord Campus beginning September 25. A short orientation meeting for **parents only** will be held from 7-8 pm on Wednesday, September 22.

The Acorn to Oak class is an eight-week program designed for young children **who are not enrolled in a Montessori program** and who are 13 months (must be walking) through 3 years. Classes begin September 13 and run from 9-10:30 am on Monday or Tuesday mornings depending on the age of your child. A parent, grandparent, or caregiver is welcome to participate in the class, but we request that only one adult attend per class. This class provides an opportunity for a child and an adult to work together in a Montessori classroom in a small group setting. A teacher introduces the adult to the Montessori philosophy, materials, and techniques to aid in working with the child at home.

Registration forms for both classes are available on the school's website at [www.wsmctoledo.org](http://www.wsmctoledo.org) and in the McCord Campus office.

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## PARENTS CORNER

### *Looking for Child Care*

Yellow Room teacher Brandi Parcell is available for child care. Contact Brandi at 419.230.8381, or [brandi.baker@gmail.com](mailto:brandi.baker@gmail.com)

### *Humane Society Offers Fall Programs*

Toledo Area Humane Society is registering now for its Education Fall Programs. Many course options are available from which to choose, including Animal Art Drawing Class and Pet Sitting. Call 419.891.0705 for more information.

## Share Your Expertise!

Do you have any particular area of expertise that you would be willing to come in and share with students? Are you a veterinarian and would like to come and talk about your job? Are you a musician, cake decorator, stamp collector? If you have a hobby or skill that you think might be of interest to students, please contact Dawn Weating, 419.866.1931.

## Get Girl Scout Info at Ice Cream Social

The Girl Scouts will have an information table at Sweet September Sundae. Please stop by and learn more about scouting opportunities. Remember, Girl Scouts is more than cookies, camp, and crafts! If there are any questions, contact Liz Athaide-Victor 419.875.6028 or Judi Furlong 419.825.1006.



## List Your Family Business in West Side's Student Roster

West Side is continuing the Family Business Section of the WSMC Student Roster .  
If you would like to list your family's business in the Student Roster 2010-2011, please complete the information below and return to your campus office no later than Monday October 18th.

Please be very specific when filling in the business category. For instance, if you own a retail store specify whether you sell clothes, skin care products, pet products, etc.

PARENT 1

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT 2

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions may be addressed to Marizol Homestead, 419.866.1931, or [mhomestead@wsmctoledo.com](mailto:mhomestead@wsmctoledo.com).