

# The Pony Express

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## Principal's Place

Every Friday is School Spirit Day, and we encourage everyone to show their Mustang pride and wear school shirts or colors. West U Gear is available through the PTO website: <https://westupto.ecwid.com/>

Speaking of WUES PTO, please join. The PTO does an unbelievable amount of volunteering and fundraising for our school. The organization plays a huge role in making WUES special, so we ask that you take part in helping. This link takes you to the PTO site to join other parents in support of your child's school: <https://cwsclients.wufoo.com/forms/20192020-join-the-pto/>.

Go Mustangs!

Scott C. Disch, Principal

## Upcoming Events

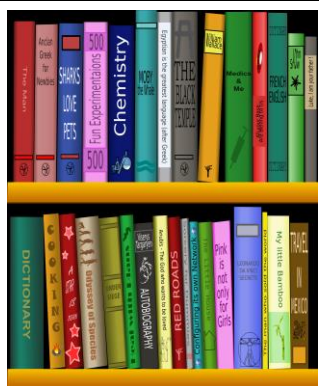
- **OPEN HOUSE**  
Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>
  - Kinder -2<sup>nd</sup>  
5:00 – 6:15 p.m.
  - Ancillary (Cafeteria)  
5:45 – 6:15 p.m.  
6:30 – 7:00 p.m.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 – 7:45 p.m.
- **EARLY DISMISSAL DAY**  
Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>  
11:30 a.m. dismissal

## Library News - Lauren Simmons, Librarian

We are hitting the ground running in the library! I hope everyone had a fantastic, restful summer! I'm looking forward to meeting all the new families to WUES and hearing about your reading and research interests! There are tons of great resources for you to take advantage of in the library including access to the library catalog, reference materials, online databases, and a wide range of popular fiction and non-fiction titles. Please stop by to see what we have to offer! Here are a few important dates to add to your calendars:

- If your child participated in the One Book, One School, One Summer (Wishtree by Katherine Applegate) reading program, please turn in all projects by September 13th.
- Name that Book Club for 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade will begin on Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in joining, permission slips and additional information can be found on the library website or you may stop by the library to pick one up. Permission slips must be turned in by September 23rd in order to participate.

Looking forward to a wonderful school year!



Sign up to receive the Pony Express via email! Visit our school website at:  
<http://www.houstonisd.org/cms/module/selectsurvey/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=471>



We wanted to remind everyone that you must register through VIPS each year to volunteer at West U. The process can take up to three weeks, so please do not put it off if you plan on volunteering or participating in school events throughout the year. Thank you for your continued support and time.

<http://houstonisd.org/VIPSLOGIN>



**Happy Birthday, 生日快乐, Feliz Cumpleaños, С Днем Рождения!!!**



Thank you to our Birthday Book Club contributors so far! We appreciate your support of our fabulous library. As for those you that have not yet signed up, please do so. For \$25/child, your child will receive an invitation from their teacher to choose a special birthday book during library ancillary or after school library hours. A personalized book plate will be placed in the front of their selected book. After they are done reading, your child will return their book to our library for others to enjoy and check out in the future. Students, siblings, and friends will enjoy seeing their name in these books for years to come!

Go to the [westupto.org](http://westupto.org) website, click FUNDRAISING, the BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB or <https://www.westupto.org/birthday-book-club> before the end of this month. Deadline is September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019!

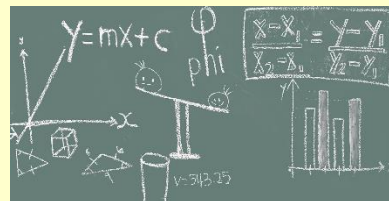
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### Math Club

Does your child like to solve challenging problems? Does your child love math? If so, then they should join Match Club. Tryouts will be September 10 in the MPR for all the interested 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders.



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### iKids U® After-School

iKids U® offers a variety of after-school opportunities onsite at WUES, including Stay & Play, Enrichment, and One on One services. iKids meets all your scheduling needs with Part-time, Full-time, Early Dismissal, and Drop-In Day options! Please contact iKids at 713-665-5200 or [info@ikidsinc.com](mailto:info@ikidsinc.com) with any questions.



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