



# NORTH CALDWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## *Board of Education Connections*

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**Sixth Grade Parent Orientation, TOMORROW, January 19, 2017**

The North Caldwell Board of Education would like to share the West Essex Regional School District's invitation to orientation for sixth grade parents below.

## **WEST ESSEX MIDDLE SCHOOL**

West Essex Regional School District  
65 West Greenbrook Road, North Caldwell, NJ 07006



### AN INVITATION TO PARENTS OF SIXTH GRADE STUDENTS

(Note – this event is for Parents only. No students, please.)

Please join us at our annual  
***Sixth Grade Parent Orientation Meeting***  
Thursday, January 19, 2017  
(Snow Date - 1/26/17)

**6:00 - 6:50 p.m.**

#### Guided Tours of West Essex Middle School

- Parents will see our outstanding facility, courtesy of a guided tour by our WEMS Student Council Members.
- Tours leave from the WEMS Main Office every 10 minutes, so please feel free to arrive anytime between 6:00 and 6:40pm.

**7:00 p.m.**

#### Informational Meeting - Middle School Auditorium

- **Middle School Administration**
  - Middle School Teaming Concept
  - Class Placement Criteria
  - Increased Rigor and Expectations of Middle School
  - Online Registration Process
- **Middle School Guidance Staff**
  - Course Selection for 2017 - 2018
  - Guidance Services

**Question and Answer Period will follow**

\*Please check out website for more information on the Middle School\*

<http://www.westex.org/classof2023>

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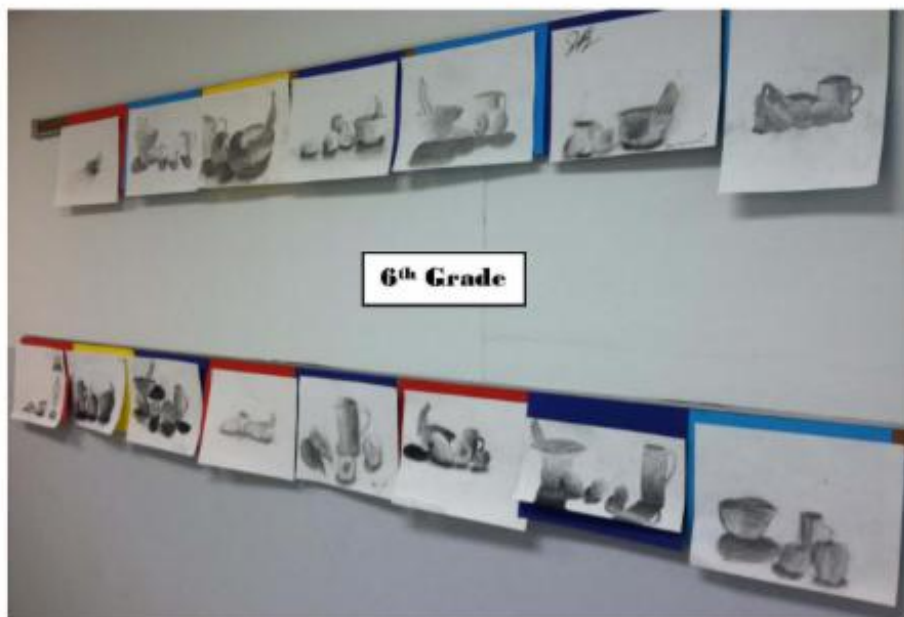
## **Results of Demographic Study to be Presented at January 31st Board Meeting**

As part of its long-range facility planning, the Board of Education recently commissioned an update to a demographic study conducted in 2014 to project the impact of recent activity in North Caldwell. The results of this study will be presented at the January 31st Board meeting.

## **Classroom Highlights**

- In **Mrs. Kanter's Art classes**, students have been learning about still life.

Students learned about the history of still life, materials, value/tone and shading techniques. Putting the lessons into practice, the 4th graders created still life drawings of fruit using pastels and charcoal pencils. Using chalk pastels, the 5th graders created still life drawings of objects such as bowls and containers. The 6th graders created still life drawings of fruit and bowls/containers using charcoal pencils. Please stop by and take a look at the wonderful work hanging in the hallways!



- On January 11th, **Mrs. Agnellino's Kindergarten class** visited **Mrs. Kessler's Second Grade** students. To welcome the winter season, each student joined with a partner to decorate snowflakes and listened to a fictional

story, "Tacky the Penguin." After some "winter fun," the Second Grade students worked with their Kindergarten partners on the iPads and introduced them how to log on to Raz-Kids: Reading A-Z. Mrs. Agnellino's students read their books to their Second Grade buddies who gave them assistance as needed. They had such a memorable day together.



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## **Board of Education Engages in Long-Range Facility Planning**

At recent meetings, the Board of Education has discussed the long-term capital requirements of our schools in light of aging buildings and potential demographic changes within our community. Consideration is being given to the possibility of major capital projects, including possible expansion of both schools. The Board, in cooperation with our architectural firm, is in the process of compiling and reviewing a list of its long-term needs and updating its demographic study to reflect the increase in the number of homes in the Borough. As we advance through the planning process, the Board will engage the community through a number of mechanisms to obtain feedback and opinions on the options available to the community. Any major expansion would be presented in a referendum, which requires a ballot vote through the election process. Long-range facility planning will be a primary focus of the Board over the next 12-36 months. If you are interested in this important topic, please join us at our regular meetings.

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## **District Calendar of Events**

NCBOE maintains a detailed calendar of events on the district webpage that includes all school activities. Check out what is happening in our district by clicking [here](#).

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# North Caldwell Board of Education Meeting

January 31, 2017

Grandview School Cafeteria

The next North Caldwell Board of Education meeting will be held Tuesday, January 31, 2017, at 7:30pm in the Grandview School cafeteria. The agenda for the meeting will be posted on Friday, January 27. For a complete list of currently scheduled Board meetings, click [here](#).

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