

# Springman Wildcats

## Weekly Newsletter



*6th Grade students team building during the first week*

### Upcoming Dates

9/5 No School

9/6 MAP Testing  
Window Opens

9/6 Late buses  
begin after school

9/13 PTA Meeting

9/14 Curriculum  
Night for Grade 6/7

9/15 Curriculum  
Night for Grade 8

### From the Principal

Middle school is about trying new things, joining new activities, and maybe moving a bit outside of your comfort zone. One of the goals at Springman is to offer a variety of different activities for students to participate in throughout the year. Already our cross country, co-ed soccer teams at seventh and eighth grade and girls' volleyball teams at seventh and eighth grade have started their seasons. Band, Choir, and Orchestra are also up and running. Soon we will begin many clubs as well. All of this information will be shared with students via the morning announcements and those can also be found on our website for parents to view. I hope to see a large number of students taking advantage of the different opportunities they have at Springman.

**RUN WITH THE LAW: WE'RE EXCITED TO WELCOME BACK A WONDERFUL EVENT THIS YEAR. IT IS A 1.5-MILE FUN RUN DESIGNED TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE ILLINOIS SPECIAL OLYMPICS. THE EVENT IS A JOINT COMMUNITY EVENT WITH THE GLENVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT AND IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH AT 4 P.M. AT ATTEA. BOTH SCHOOLS WILL PARTICIPATE AND TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED TO BRING KIDS AND TEACHERS FROM SPRINGMAN TO ATTEA AFTER SCHOOL THAT DAY. YOU CAN READ MORE AT THE PTA WEBSITE, OR YOU CAN CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER.**

### Character Counts Video Contest:

In conjunction with CHARACTER COUNTS! the 2016 annual CHARACTER COUNTS! in Glenview poster/video contest is underway. Glenview students are challenged to visually depict one or more of the Six Pillars of Character (trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship). Middle school students are invited to create videos of between one and two minutes depicting one of the Six Pillars of Character. Information can be found on the Character Counts website at [www.ccglenview.org](http://www.ccglenview.org). Also on the website is a one-minute instructional video about the contest. The specific video contest rules can be found [here](#).

## NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

- When a student is absent from school, the parent or guardian must call to inform the school of the absence and the reason for the absence. Please be sure to call the attendance phone number: 847-657-2194.
- Students who arrive too late to make it to their first period class need to sign in at the health office. A student's tardy to school is regarded as "excused" if a medical appointment or a family emergency was the cause of the late arrival. Students who are late for other reasons that are otherwise within their control are regarded as "unexcused," and we will help students monitor their tardies to school to help them cultivate good time management habits.
- If it is necessary for a student to be dismissed prior to 3:00 p.m., parents should send a note to the office with their student on the morning of the dismissal. The note should state the need to pick up the student early with the time of pick up. Please do not leave dismissal requests on the answering machine. Parents must come into the building to sign their student out.
- Cell Phones: Students are permitted to bring cell phones to school; however, they must be turned off and kept out of sight during the school day. Students may use cell phones after school to arrange for rides home and/or to relay information regarding after-school plans. Please do not text, call, or email your child during the school day. All messages to and from parents should go through the front office and/or health office.

## PTA Meeting 9/13

*The first middle school PTA meeting of the year is on Tuesday, September 13 at 9:15am at Attea. All are welcome. If you haven't had the opportunity to connect with the PTA and would like more information about how to join, more information can be found at the [PTA link](#).*

### Superintendent Focus Group Information:

Letters were sent to parents regarding the Superintendent focus group. If you missed the information, please click on the links below:

[FOCUS Group - English](#)

[FOCUS Group - Spanish](#)

[FOCUS Group - Korean](#)