

HOT CIDER

CIDER MILL PTA PUBLICATION – June 12, 2023

Cider Mill School is a Community of Learners, ALL committed to being the best we can be.

Important Dates

Jun 13	Grade 5 Moving up Ceremony 8:00 am (North – CN and NH)
Jun 14	Grade 5 Moving up Ceremony 8:00 am (South- BH and KT)
Jun 14-16	Shortened Days
Jun 19	Shortened Day - Last Day of School

Dear Cider Mill Parents and Guardians,

We can't believe another school year is coming to an end! First and foremost, we want to thank everyone who has helped us out this past year, whether through a PTA board position, volunteering at an event, or showing up to show your support! We couldn't do the things we do without you, and while it's not always glamorous, every offer of help is appreciated. And to those parents moving on, we thank you and wish you the best of luck!

I also want to personally thank our outgoing president extraordinaire **Michelle Krupa** and our fun-loving treasurer **Mickey Giuliani** for their hard work and dedication to the PTA these past years. You have both made the PTA a productive and enjoyable group. They will be missed!

The **5th grade yearbooks** were distributed this past week, we hope everyone has enjoyed taking a look at their child's time at Cider Mill! A big thank you to **Mickey Giuliani and Carolyn Deane** for all of their hard work putting them together!

Even though we are at the end of the year, we are already busy getting ready for the 2023/2024 school year!

We need **volunteers** for next year for several positions! To sign up, please visit: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1t8ZV_6TuO-QND6ooYBF-Dsfk8CS5C2YIVS5w7EfhUSA/edit

It's also already time to start thinking of school supplies for next year! Current students in third and fourth grade can purchase **EduKits** on or before **June 30th** for delivery to your child's classroom on **Meet the Teacher Day in August**. To purchase, or to find the school supply lists for next year, please visit: <https://www.edukitinc.com/schools/1717/Cider%20Mill%20School>

As always, please feel free to contact us with any questions or issues at MichelleAKrupa@gmail.com or giddingsmelissa@hotmail.com.

We wish everyone a safe and happy summer!

Michelle Krupa and Melissa Reynolds
Cider Mill PTA Co-Presidents

Helpful Links

Important and Helpful Links:

Cider Mill Contact Info: (203) 762-3351

CM Attendance: (203) 834-4950 or cmattend@wiltonps.org

CM School

Handbook: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_f0M9w06qZRHnJLuF6Th_kbtDQqCPRABChT0M-ERmVM/edit

CM House

List: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Wg883jXBcWnTQOZNGLV746OvS6tnJaleYDL4q9doINNY/edit>

CM Community Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1168962513117647/>

WPS Covid 19 Health and Safety

Protocols: https://s3.amazonaws.com/scschoolfles/2699/wps_covid_protocols_2022-23_school_opening.pdf

WPS Back to School Website: https://www.wiltonps.org/342738_2

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Guide: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1GaiNlxIMyxXW6MCCbSMi2fer2xLP0bfT/view?usp=drivesdk>

WPS 2022-23 School Calendar: https://s3.amazonaws.com/scschoolfles/2699/revised_2022-23_district_calendar_472022.pdf

CM Interactive Calendar: https://www.wiltonps.org/576928_3

WPS App: Located in the Apple and Android app stores

Wilton BOE: https://wiltonps.org/338734_2

Pay for CM Club/Activities Fee: https://www.wiltonps.org/575955_3

Wilton PowerSchool Login: <https://wilton.powerschool.com/public/>

School Messenger Information: https://wiltonps.org/595543_3

Schoology Information: https://wiltonps.org/576129_3

Special Bus Assignments: https://wiltonps.org/579910_3

MySchoolBucks: <https://www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/getmain?requestAction=home>

School Lunch Menus: <https://wilton.nutrislice.com/menu/menus-eula>

Join Wilton SEPTA: <https://www.wiltonsepta.org/>

School News

Lost and Found: Last Call!

Parents, please come and check the lost and found if you think you are missing anything. All items will be donated to the Turnover Shop on **June 16**. Please check the bins at both the North and South ends of the school in Kent and Cannondale!

Last Call for 2023-2024 SCHOOL SUPPLIES!

Every year, the Cider Mill PTA offers parents the convenience to buy school supplies in a prepackaged kit via EduKit that is delivered to your student's classroom on Meet the Teacher Day in August! *Proceeds from the sale of these EduKits go directly towards the purchase of school supplies for Wilton Social Services.*

To order, please visit: <https://www.edukitinc.com/schools/1717/>

School supply lists can also be found at the link above.

Please note that all orders must be submitted on or before June 30, 2023, to guarantee best pricing and free shipping to our school by Meet the Teacher Day.

And as always, thank you for supporting your Cider Mill PTA and the Wilton community!

~Cider Mill PTA

2023/2024 Open PTA Positions!

The Cider Mill PTA is set with it's 2023/2024 Executive Board!

- President: **Melissa Reynolds**
- President-Elect: **Caroline Hoffman**
- VP Membership: **Jennifer Soudagar**
- VP Fundraising: **Alexis Murphy**
- Treasurer: **Christine Marks**
- Secretary: **Marissa Rosado**
- Parent-at-Large: **Heather Christopher**

We still need a lot of help from you! The following positions are still open:

- 5th Grade Yearbook Chairs
- Box Top Chair
- Enrichment Volunteer
- Fun Night Chairs
- 5th Grade Room Rep
- Spirit Wear Chair
- Photo Day Chair
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Garden Center Chair

Please contact Melissa Reynolds giddingsmelissa@hotmail.com if interested!

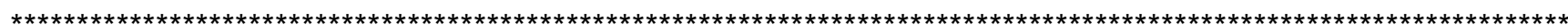


Middlebrook PTA Positions Need You!

Middlebrook PTA is happy to welcome additional members to their executive board. The following positions need volunteers:

- President
- Hospitality
- VP Membership
- Co-Secretary
- Co-Parent at Large
- LLC
- Activity Nights

Those interested please check out www.middlebrookpta.org or contact Michelle Haggerty at michelle.mbpta@gmail.com.



Wilton SEPTA

SEPTA needs your help! There are many board and volunteer positions open. Please see their attached flyer [HERE](#):

Like our [Facebook](#) page and visit our [website](#) to stay updated with the latest meetings, news, and information. In preparation for the upcoming PPT, annual meeting, and transition meeting season, we will be sharing planning and organizing tips with families on collaborating with school teams.

- We invite teachers to take advantage of our [gifts and grants](#) program.
- Membership, Board, Committee positions open- it's not too late to join!
- We are seeking interested parents to help on our Community and Family Events Committee, including help for our April 2022 Diversity and Inclusion Awareness and Be Kind Campaign.

Community News

Reflections Winner Publishes Book!

Disha Avadhani, an honorable mention winner at last years Reflections contest, has her own book out on Amazon! Disha won an honorable mention for the literary category for her poetry submission. Disha wanted to make a book out of her poetry and that is how "Go Out and play soccer" was born. The book has been published and available for sale on Amazon.com and below is the link –

[Go out and Play soccer - By Disha Avadhani](#)



MS PRESIDENT US



SAVE YOUR SEAT!

Girls entering grades 4 through 8 are invited to join the Fall 2023 Ms President US program!

The mission of [Ms President US](#) is to motivate and prepare girls to aim for the highest civic leadership positions and to know that they can achieve them. As Ridgefield's First Selectman, Rudy Marconi, stated, "Ms President US fills a niche that is very important - we need to have more women involved in politics, and this is a great foundation, building skills."

The program accomplishes this goal by introducing the participants to students and women who are leaders on a community, state, and national level. The girls then have a chance to interact with the leaders and engage in activities that help them develop their own leadership skills. Each session is facilitated by high school girls who serve as mentors throughout the program.

Session topics include:

- Civic Leadership / Public Service
- Meet & Greet Local, State, and Federal Leaders
- Self-Confidence and Leadership
- Public Speaking & Debate
- Communications & Media
- State Capitol Visit

The program culminates in a campaign and election whereby participants have the opportunity to create their own campaign (or work on another participant's campaign) and run for "Ms President US" of their town. The winner is invited to appearances throughout the year and works with town leaders (announcing the start of races, giving speeches at events, etc.). There have been thirty-six Ms President US winners to date.

Enrolled Girl Scouts can earn several patches and badges for participation in the Ms President US program. High school girls with leadership experience are encouraged to apply to be mentors. Visit the [Mentor page](#) on our website to learn more.

Sessions are held between October through March. The program also includes a field trip to the State Capitol. To enroll or learn more, visit mspresidentus.org, select "Enroll," and choose your chapter. The enrollment fee is \$250, and scholarships are available by request.

[2023-2024 Press Release](#)

[Campaign Link](#)

NAMI-CAN WILTON

The COVID pandemic has caused unprecedented stress in our society and many children's behaviors have been triggered as a result. What was manageable pre-Covid is now out of control. Find support for you, as you support your child who is struggling.

The **National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Child and Adolescent Network (CAN)** is a Support Group for parents of children with behavioral, emotional, and mental health issues. The meeting is free, confidential, safe, and led by trained volunteer facilitators who themselves have had personal experiences raising children with these concerns. Our meetings are a place to speak freely and be understood without embarrassment or the fear of being judged or treated differently.

Our meetings are held virtually over zoom and for security, you must contact Beth or Vanessa for the password. For more information contact: Beth at 203-984-0123 or beth44es@gmail.com OR Vanessa at 203-970-4130 or eliasvanessa5@gmail.com

Submit News to Hot Cider

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