



# Wildcat Weekly News

Independence Charter School West Family Newsletter

## Global Citizen Value of the Month

### “Empathy - Empatía”

*Good things happen when we work together.  
Cosas buenas pasan cuando trabajamos juntos.*

**Question of the Week:** When is it most important to use empathy? ¿Cuándo es más importante utilizar la empatía?

## Announcements & Reminders

### Valentine’s Day Candy Gram Fundraiser:

Spread some **LOVE** and help our 8th graders raise money for their closing activities. Order a Candy Gram for \$5 to be delivered to your child on Wed, Feb 14th. Candy Grams will be filled with assorted candy and include your personalized message. [CLICK HERE](#) to order. We are also accepting donations in **any amount** on Venmo @ICS West to support the Class of 2024.



**2024-25 ICSW Application:** At ICS West, we strive to be your preferred school community for your child's academic journey. Therefore, your child's enrollment will carry over from year to year, and you DO NOT need to reapply for enrollment each school year.

If you have family, friends or neighbors who are interested in having their child attend ICS West, please feel free to share the Apply Philly Charter link <https://applyphillycharter.org>, and they can submit an application for our waitlist on Feb 26th.

**Breakfast & Lunch:** [Click here](#) for the menu.

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**AfterSchool Program:** One of our amazing ICS West parents has connected our school community with an opportunity for free/low cost after school care! Here are the details:

[Caring People of Alliance/ Boys and Girls Club](#) at 5843 Catharine St. from 2:30-6:00pm.

### Grades K-5th: FREE

- Additional Fees for K-5th (only):
- Van pick up is \$7 per week per family
- Wednesdays - \$40 per kid for a 1:30pm pickup
- If parent has ELRC cost will = weekly copay

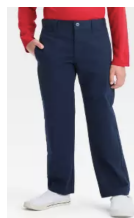
**Grades 6-8th: Cost \$182 per week** - includes the van fee and Wednesdays

**Application needs to be picked up and filled out by parents in person.** Bring the following:

1. Parent/Guardian Photo ID
2. Current report card
3. Health Insurance card for child
4. Physical/Health Assessment for child

Contact person Tisha 215-386-4075 Ext 6040

See flyer in the “*Special Spotlight*” section.

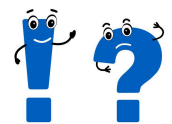


**Uniform Donations:** We are in need of uniform bottoms. Please donate new or gently used pants (any size) that your child will no longer need. Send anything that you can share to the main office.

### Parent/Family Input Form:

Your feedback is important to us. Please take a minute to share any

comments, questions or concerns using [this form](#).



Click on the links in the calendar to learn more information about important dates.

# FEBRUARY - FEBRERO 2024

## Black History Month

Sunday Domingo	Monday Lunes	Tuesday Martes	Wednesday Miércoles	Thursday Jueves	Friday Viernes	Saturday Sábado
28	29	30	31 1:30pm Dismissal	1	2 <a href="#">Groundhog Day</a> 	3
4	5	6	7  1:30pm Dismissal	8	9	10 <a href="#">Lunar New Year</a>
11	12	13 <a href="#">Mardi Gras</a> 	14 1:30pm Dismissal <a href="#">Valentine's Day</a> 	15	16	17
18	19 <a href="#">Presidents Day</a> School Closed	20	21 1:30pm Dismissal	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 1:30pm Dismissal	29	1	2

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## Special Spotlight



West Philadelphia  
Boys & Girls Club

**FREE**

## Out-of-School Time Program

focused on early-literacy,  
high-school readiness, and  
career / college readiness.

Open After-School and Full-Day  
when Schools are Closed, Meals  
Included

Caring People Alliance  
West Philadelphia  
Boys & Girls Club  
5843-55 Catharine St.  
(215) 386-4075

Text "Enroll at West" to  
(215) 608-4803 to start the  
application on your smart phone!



Member Organization



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS