

WACA Wednesday

October 14, 2020

Area Breakout Rooms

AWSL Fall Leadership Conference

October 30 and 31

Virtual

Available for Middle School and High Schools

\$250.00 per school for as many students and staff members as you like.

Sign up deadline is October 29

<https://awsleaders.org/>

is the place to get more information and to sign up your school

House Bill 1660 – still working on getting more information on this bill. When we have a clearer picture we will look at how we can have students advocate for their student program and ASB.

National Workshop Directors – Adult Professional Learning

National Conference is December 4,5,6 virtual Individual Cost is \$65 or \$75

School pricing for delegations makes it cheaper the more staff members you bring.

Keynote Speakers are: Mark Scharenbroich, Erin Jones, Alvin Law

National Conference on Student Activities Goes Viral

<https://www.nawd.com/ncsa/next/index.html>

Area 1

- Arlington: Leadership, drama, broadcasting doing a big food drive together
- Book clubs on leadership books
- Big idea Wednesday: ted talks – having conversations through growth and leadership
- Rethinking leadership
- Halloween food drive
- Virtual homecoming week
 - o Spirit week
 - o Send in pics and then post on social media
- Staff secret spirit week
 - o See how long it takes for kids to figure it out
- Mental week spirit week
 - o Post things on instagram and tag – so nothing extra than what they do
- Instagram committees
 - o Different themes for each day
- Ending class with Houston Kraft's Deep Kindness
 - o Listen to the book for 5 minutes and then discuss

Area 3

Hits and Misses and Solutions

Hit -

creative graduations

Giving for a cause - unity challenge between high schools

Admin is excited to work on ASB and develop community

Batch of kids that are usually indifferent are reaching out and asking questions and seeking engagement

You don't have to be tech advanced to reach kids...they just want to learn from us.

Kids are more resilient than we give them credit for...they are determined.

Clean up with Youth Centers...skate park...make book marks for another school to help encourage reading...drop off in a bin in the office.

Still have an advisory program and getting it done! Getting right down to work possibly because they don't have as much competing interest.

Food Drive - drive through
Virtual assembly - fall themed art, do Kahoot, giving grace message from the sup, Kari Bradshaw for full agenda!
Forcing teachers to learn new tools, adapting to new practices, seeing some benefits
6th grade elections start next week
Announcements x 2 a week in video form
Staff dog brackets - staff pick their favorite dogs
Advisory at 8:15 with screens on is the start of the day
Talent show with talent showcase

Wish -

Kids are struggling and miss social aspects of school x2
Student activities is challenging and slower paced
Ways for students to gather - pre-build break out rooms
Coffee and conversation - coffeeshop vibe to allow students to gather
Turn cameras on - want connection
How to self-care through so much tech...headaches eye strain etc and mental exhaustion
Extrovert and I would love to see people and students...want to have kids dig-in in the core classes
Miss kids and interactions
Kids seem really overwhelmed - in class every day
Adapting to online as a band teacher very hard

Veteran's Day Ideas

Missing Man table
Our Veterans (pictures of family) Presentation
Doesn't have to be an assembly
Virtual assembly - arranging the hymns
Student interview of a family veteran
Poppies explanation
Art work submission
Local veteran interview on video (allows people with PTSD an opportunity)
Jen Durham for speakers if area peeps need help
Mixtape and Acapella for smaller music groups to help manage.
Timing - parent conference time and have a special schedule for that...
Advisory going to present
Asynchronous time can be used for assemblies

WACA Area Map – This will help you find your area in case you are not sure what area you are.

<http://www.wacaonline.org/area-information.html>

Sign up to Mentor a new adviser or be available for questions or sign up to have a Mentor

Both links will get you to the form to sign up.

<https://forms.gle/VCMpM43c5ZcYxKU78>

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf4WpgwzIVGXG1_mteLaxzCpBcY86UorsF65QrOo5r5jH2_SQ/viewform