

# Brooklyn Bridge

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## MALAYSIA EXPEDITION

Brittany Mason, teacher at New Martinsville School, Sharon Snider, teacher at Long Drain School, and Travis McCoy, Junior at Hundred High School are preparing for their Malaysia Expedition through JASON Learning! The trio will participate in the Penang BioBlitz 2017, from October 16-27, 2017 in the rainforest of Penang Hill, Malaysia. You can follow their research and experiences every day through the JASON website and social media channels!

Dozens of scientists from across the globe will be doing a massive survey on the bugs, plants, animals, and trees to better understand the pristine ecosystem in and around Penang Hill. Their work will help conserve this important resource, and could lead to a UNESCO World Heritage designation.

Join us on this virtual expedition! We will be sharing videos, virtual 360s, pictures, and posts every day, and will be working with the science teams to answer as many of your questions as we can from the rainforest.

Twitter—[@JASONLEARNING](#) Facebook—[JASONLearningSTEM](#) [Jason.org/bioblitz](#)



# We have PEP, how 'bout you?

What is a PEP?

Do you know what a PEP is? Have you ever heard of one? Would it surprise you to know that every student in grades 8-12 in Wetzel County has one?

WVDE Policy 2315 provides specific guidance on the Personalized Education Plan (PEP) required of all students grades 8-12. As directly stated in 2315, "The policy outlines a comprehensive system to enhance academic and learning development, career development and life planning, personal and social development and builds global citizenship skills for all students."

The PEP is outlined in the first component of a required Comprehensive School Counseling Plan - **Personalized Student Planning**. The following is taken directly from WVDE Policy 2315.

Personalized student planning includes providing opportunities for students to discover their interest in emerging careers. Ongoing opportunities at all programmatic levels are provided during the school day for career exploration and self-discovery. Personalized planning allows students to develop academic skills, identify interests, maximize strengths, minimize weaknesses, set and reach personal/educational goals and realize their career aspirations. A Personalized Education Plan (hereinafter PEP) is developed collaboratively, involving students, parents/guardians and school staff.

During the 8<sup>th</sup> grade year, each student's PEP is developed to identify course selections for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade based on each student's identified career aspirations. Prior to development of the PEP, the school shall provide ongoing opportunities during the school day for career exploration and self-discovery involving student needs assessments, career and interest inventories, learning style inventories, self-reflections and career inquiry. When finalizing the PEP, the counselor and/or student advisor will meet with the student and parents/guardians to secure signatures documenting involvement. The student and parents/guardians are provided a copy of the PEP.

During the 9<sup>th</sup> grade and each subsequent year each student reviews and updates his or her PEP in collaboration with the school counselor, teachers, advisors and parents/guardians. Review of the PEP will include academic offerings, career plans, review of various interests, learning styles, career and academic assessments (e.g., ACT EXPLORE, interests and learning styles inventories, aptitude tests, multiple intelligence inventories) to guide changes to course selections.

During the 10<sup>th</sup> grade year the second phase of the PEP is developed. Students identify course selections for grades 10-12 and postsecondary plans for the first year after high school. To assist with development of the three-year PEP, the school will provide ongoing opportunities during the school day for career exploration and self-discovery involving completing student needs assessments, career and interest inventories, learning style inventories, self-reflections and multi-faceted opportunities for career inquiry. Each student's individual assessments will be reviewed to ensure academic planning maximizes individual strengths and interests. Career exploration and planning and the development of the PEP is a shared responsibility between the school counselor, teachers, advisors and parents/guardians.

The PEP is reviewed annually in grades 9-12 with the student and his or her parents/guardians and is signed and dated during each annual review conference. Students may amend his or her PEP at the end of any semester as long as it does not interfere with the completion of graduation requirements based on availability of courses.

For more information on PEP and the Comprehensive School Counseling Plan, please follow this link:

<http://wvde.state.wv.us/counselors/PEPResourcePage1.html>



# Day of Design

On October 6, accompanied by teacher Carolyn Hizer, Abbe Stackpole, from Paden City High School, will participate on the Day of Design Student Panel. She will share her views of experiential learning, how she is involved in STEM education, how she has been able to impact her community using creative problem solving, and how she would like to continue to learn or implement creative problem solving skills.



Location: National Press Club  
529 14th St. NW  
Washington, D.C. 20045

**OCTOBER 6, 2017**  
**12:00PM-5:00PM EST**





# WCS Wellness Needs You!

With the changes to the WV School Nutrition Policy 4321.1 set to take effect January 2, 2018, Wetzel County Schools needs to update the Local Wellness Policy for the county. [Click here to view the updated policy 4321.1.](#) [Click here to view the current Wetzel County Schools Wellness Policy - EFCAA.](#)

Wetzel County Schools will be responsible for addressing outside foods brought into schools for parties. This does not include food brought by a student for lunch. A discussion about foods brought into schools for parties will occur during the first Wellness Council Meeting on October 12, 10:00AM, as part of the PAC meeting. There will also be a place for comments at [WetzelCountySchools.com](http://WetzelCountySchools.com).

Initial concerns revolve around food safety, which will have to be addressed in the new policy. This includes how Wetzel County Schools will appropriately address the accommodation of students with special dietary needs and health concerns in these scenarios.

Please use this opportunity to voice your concerns about outside foods brought into the classroom for parties and celebrations either by filling out the online survey/comments at [wetzelcountyschools.com](http://wetzelcountyschools.com), or by attending the meeting on October 12 at 10:00AM in person.



## New Menu Look

Breakfast and Lunch Menus may have a new look, but don't fret! The information is all there!

Simply look at the bottom of the menu to find the day. Then, match the color and day of the week at the top! Days that are grayed out show days where students do not have school.

Updates to the menu are on the way as well as we prepare to switch to our Winter Menu in November. Updated menus will be available on [wetzelcountyschools.com—menus](http://wetzelcountyschools.com—menus)

Don't forget to follow Wetzel County Schools Child Nutrition on Facebook [www.facebook.com/WetzelOCN](http://www.facebook.com/WetzelOCN) and on Twitter @WetzelOCN

## WCS Policies on One Note

**All Wetzel County Schools Policies are now available through One Note!**

**Easy search features help you find exactly what you need.**

[Access it here](#) or go to [wetzelcountyschools.com](http://wetzelcountyschools.com) and click on **Board Policies**

## Trainings

Don't forget to use the ERO system to register and check for updates!

<http://>

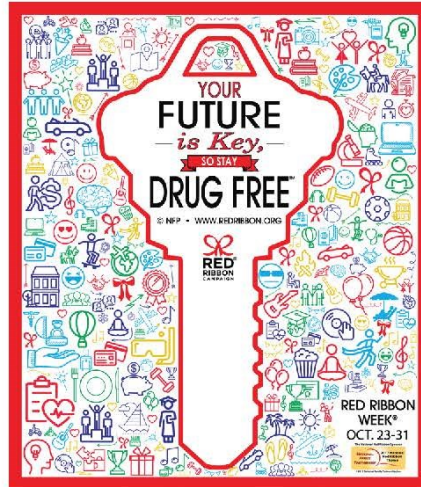
[ero5.eschoolsolutions.com](http://ero5.eschoolsolutions.com)

District ID: 26155

| LUNCH Menu           |  | August 21 – November 9   |  |   |   |
|----------------------|--|--|--|---|---|
| WEEK                 | MONDAY   | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY  |
| <b>W</b>             | Chili Dog<br>Crispy Chicken<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Applesauce        | Chicken/Potatoes<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Red Pepper Strips                      | Hot Chicken<br>Corn in the Cup<br>Green Beans<br>French Bread<br>Watermelon                | Pepperoni Piz<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                         | Under the Sea<br>Shrimp & Rice<br>Fish & Potatoes<br>Fish & Potatoes<br>Fish & Potatoes |
| <b>E</b>             | Meatloaf Potatoes<br>Meatloaf Potatoes<br>Meatloaf Potatoes                    | BBQ Pulled Pork<br>Sandwiches<br>Tater Tots<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans | Pepperoni Chicken w/ Spaghetti<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans | Delishious Hamster<br>w/ Potatoes and<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans | Meatloaf<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                    |
| <b>T</b>             | Potato w/ Meatloaf<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans | Chicken Tenders<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans              | Pepperoni Dog<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                  | Taco in a Bag w/ Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                | Butter Chicken<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans              |
| <b>Z</b>             | Chicken Ring<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans       | BBQ Pulled Pork<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans              | Pepperoni<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                      | Delishious Hamster<br>w/ Potatoes and<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans | Meatloaf<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                    |
| <b>E<sup>2</sup></b> | Spicy Hot<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans          | Chicken<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                      | BBQ Pulled Pork<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                | Delishious Hamster<br>w/ Potatoes and<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans | Meatloaf<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                    |
| <b>L</b>             | Meatloaf Potatoes<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans  | Crispy Chicken<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans               | Chicken Alfredo w/ a Twist<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans     | Soft Shell Taco w/ Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans              | Cheese Frico<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans<br>Candy Beans                |



# 2017 RED RIBBON THEME



**The Red Ribbon Campaign® is the oldest and largest drug prevention program in the nation, reaching millions of young people during Red Ribbon Week®, October 23<sup>rd</sup> - October 31<sup>st</sup> each year.**

## WHAT IS RED RIBBON WEEK?

It is an ideal way for people and communities to unite and take a visible stand against drugs. Show your personal commitment to a drug-free lifestyle through the symbol of the Red Ribbon, October 23 - 31<sup>st</sup>.

## WHY?

The Red Ribbon Campaign® was started when drug traffickers in Mexico City murdered DEA agent Kiki Camarena in 1985. This began the continuing tradition of displaying Red Ribbons as a symbol of intolerance towards the use of drugs. The mission of the Red Ribbon Campaign® is to present a unified and visible commitment towards the creation of a DRUG - FREE AMERICA.

## WHO?

National Family Partnership is the sponsor of the National Red Ribbon Week® Celebration. We are helping citizens across the country come together to keep children, families and communities safe, healthy and drug-free, through parent training, networking and sponsoring the National Red Ribbon Campaign®.

## WHY SUPPORT THE NATIONAL THEME?

A theme unifies each year's campaign and helps to broadcast one message, creating a tipping point to change behavior.

## HOW?

Plan a Red Ribbon celebration. Order and display Red Ribbon materials with the National Red Ribbon Theme. Proceeds from the sale of Red Ribbon theme merchandise helps support prevention programs across America. Order for your family, students, staff, patients, employees and customers and encourage them to wear the red ribbon symbol during Red Ribbon Week®, October 23<sup>rd</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>.

**NATIONAL  
FAMILY  
PARTNERSHIP**

**The proud Sponsors of the National Red Ribbon Campaign®**

For more information visit us at  
[www.nfp.org](http://www.nfp.org) and [www.redribbon.org](http://www.redribbon.org)



## NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK OCTOBER 9-13

President John F. Kennedy created National School Lunch Week (NSLW) in 1962. During this annual weeklong celebration, School Nutrition Association members and students around the country celebrate in their cafeterias with decorations, special menus, events, and more.

The 2017 NSLW theme is “School Lunch: Recipes for Success”, and it’s all about showing off the secrets to your school lunch success in your schools and districts—fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains, low-fat dairy, and of course, our students. The National School Lunch Program serves more than 30 million children every school day—that’s something to smile about!

#NSLW2017 @SchoolLunch @WetzelOCN

## PAC Meetings

The following dates have been chosen for the Title I—Parent Advisory Committee meetings. All will fall on Thursdays, from 10:00 to 11:00 am at the Wetzel County Board Office in the Board Room.

October 12

December 7

March 8

April 12



WCS WELLNESS

## FLU SHOT CLINICS

Rite Aid Pharmacy will be visiting Wetzel County Schools during designated times to administer flu shots. The cost is free if you have PEIA or the Health Plan. You will need to bring a copy of your insurance card the day of the flu shot clinic. Below is a list of the flu shot clinics.

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Wetzel County BOE | Fri Oct 20th<br>1:30 – 3:00 pm                 |
| MHS               | Tues Oct 17 <sup>th</sup><br>7:30 am - 9:30 am |
| PCE               | Tues October 17th<br>10 am to 12 noon          |
| PCHS              | Tues Oct 17 <sup>th</sup><br>1 pm – 3 pm       |
| SLS               | Wed October 18th<br>9:30 am – 12:00 noon       |
| VHS               | Wed October 18th<br>7:30 – 9:00 am             |
| NMS               | Fri Oct 20th<br>10 am – 1:00 pm                |
| LDS               | Mon October 16th<br>9:30 am – 11:30 am         |
| HHS               | Mon October 16th<br>12 noon – 1:00 pm          |

