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Principal's Message

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Dear Parents and Care Givers,

Welcome to the first edition of the "new" Washington Post. As you will see, this edition is just one double sided page. It is designed to give you the headlines and encourage you to go on to our school based website, to learn more. This is truly a work in progress that we hope to add to as the year goes on. We have a lot more work to do on the website as well, but we thought we would start by giving you an introduction to some of the new work we are doing with creating a strong sense of purpose for each and every student.

One tool we are using is known as our GROW expected behaviors. See below for more details, and go to our website to see the list of expected behaviors for students in the classroom, cafeteria, hallways and at recess. These behaviors are always listed from a positive, action oriented point of view. We teach students that when they demonstrate these behaviors, they will learn and help others.

As always, please feel free to reach out to me, or any staff member here at Washington, if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns. We are better when we are together and focused on helping our students GROW each and every day.

Sincerely,
Jim Collin
Principal

Attention Parents & Guardians

Reminder to please update your child's yearly consent and emergency information. If you have not updated your child's Infosnap, please look for instructions in your child's backpack and please update. It is very important that we have updated phone numbers and other information every fall.

Thank you!

FASTT Math Practice at Home

Please encourage your child to continue their math fact fluency practice at home by logging on through the K-8 Resource page. http://publicschools.mancesterct.gov/page.cfm?p=1220

Grow
Each day we work to grow as learners and friends to make Washington School a great place to be.

		Classroom	Hallways	Cafeteria	Recess
G	Great Choices	Pay attention Eyes, ears brain and body in the group Listen to teacher and other students Follow the group plan Listen with your whole body Do your work Make our classroom a better place	Follow directions Speak softly Stay in line Watch where you are going One arm rule Keep your body in the group Keep your hands to yourself Walk down stairs	Use your manners Clean up after yourself Stay in your seat Use inside voices	Be a problem solver Take turns
R	Reach for your best effort	Choose to do your personal best Set Goals Share what you know	Do what is expected to give others good thoughts	Follow the plan	Be a good sport Welcome and include all peers
O	Open yourself to learning	Ask Questions– Make smart guesses Wonder Be a flexible thinker Explore	Be a role model for other students to learn from you	Be a role model for other students to learn from you	Try something new
W	We support each other	Smile Give others good thoughts by doing what is expected Say I li! Offer to help Be a leader and a role model	Keep your body in the group to give others good thoughts Quiet voices help others learn	Follow the plan to give others good thoughts Use kind words	Include others Use kind words

Great Choices,
Reaching for Their Best Effort,
Open to new learning (accepting a challenge),
We support each other

F.R.C. Play Dates

Infant/Toddler Playgroup:
October 7, 14, 21, 28
Preschool Playgroup:
October 8, 15, 22, 29

If you do not have access to the internet, please feel free to contact Brittany at the Family Resource Center at 860-647-3330 to utilize the reource computer. Computer and internet access can be used for all school-related purposes as well as job and housing searches.