

Waterford Elementary Identity Day 2019

Waterford Elementary School will host a school-wide event called **Identity Day** on **February 1, 2019**. The idea of Identity Day comes from a [Blog](#) written by an educator named George Couros, author of the book *The Innovator's Mindset*. We are very excited to include our entire school community in this exciting event.

What is it?

The idea behind Identity Day is simple - How can we get to know more about the people that we spend so much time with during the school day?

Everyone at Waterford (students, teachers, staff, principal, etc) will have a chance to share something interesting about themselves. This can be a unique interest, a sport, an extracurricular activity, or an unique cultural background. ANYTHING that makes you...you.

On February 1, we will spend the day sharing our Identity Day projects throughout the day. Every person who completes a project will have a chance to set up and share about themselves with their community.

Here is a presentation that we shared with students: <http://bit.ly/WATIdentityIntro>

What do I need to do?

Students will likely need support from home and in the classroom to complete their Identity Day projects. *This is not going to be used as an assessment or for a grade - we are simply working to build relationships within our community.* Parents can help at home by helping prepare ONE paragraph about their topic, locating pictures or small artifacts to share, assisting with tri-fold board assembly, and practicing how to share.

Below is a project timeline and checklist to keep at home as a reminder for the project:

January 3	Identity Day introduced at school to all students	✓
January 8	Topics Due - http://bit.ly/WATIdentityTopic	
January 15	Paragraph Due (School will send home tri-fold)	
January 29	Tri-fold boards Due	
February 1	IDENTITY DAY	

If you have any questions about Identity Day - please contact your child's classroom teacher or email Mr. Heironimus at andrew.heironimus@lcps.org