

LIBRARY ADVOCACY DAY – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2017
GENERAL INFORMATION

Thank you for joining us at Library Advocacy Day—this coming Wednesday—**MARCH 1, 2017!**

WLS has rented a 24-passenger bus for the trip to Albany. We will meet **in front of the WLS Headquarters at 570 WHITE PLAINS ROAD, TARRYTOWN, NY 10591.**

THE BUS WILL LEAVE PROMPTLY AT **7:00 AM.**

CANCELLATIONS:

If there is any issue with the weather, a decision to cancel will be made by **6:00 AM**, and I will notify everyone via email and phone. Please be sure to **reply to this email with the best PHONE NUMBER TO REACH YOU THE MORNING OF THE EVENT—just in case.**

Should you need to cancel, you can reach me at WLS at 914-231-3225 or on **my cell phone the day of the event at 914-844-0807.**

Some Basic Reminders:

- Wear comfortable walking shoes. There are a lot of people, so the elevators get full quickly. Often it's best to take the stairs.
- Expect airport-like security measures in place at the NYS Capitol, the Legislative Office Building, and its surrounding buildings. Be prepared to pass through a metal detector and have your belongings go through an X-ray machine to enter. All adults must show a photo ID to enter. Any "sharp" items that may be construed as weapons are not allowed in any of the Empire State Plaza buildings.
- Food: We will have some snacks for the ride home, but nothing else. You may bring your own beverage for the ride up (make sure you have a covered cup) and it's best to bring your own lunch. There are places in Albany to get a sandwich but they get very busy—so be sure to get your food, if needed, **prior** to leaving for the trip home. [There is no bathroom on the bus.]

Legislator Appointment Info:

The final Appointment Schedule is posted to the WLS website under About WLS/Library Advocacy. It's best to visit your local Senate or Assembly representatives for where you live or work. However, feel free to attend any others as possible. There will be a Point Person for each appointment who will announce the group to the office and make the initial introduction to the legislator and open the conversation to all. However, the meetings are usually brief, so not everyone may get a chance to speak. Often the Legislators are called away, so do NOT be disappointed to speak with a staff member. They are just as important.

General Talking Points specific to Westchester are also on the WLS website. These materials will be pre-packaged and distributed to each Legislator.

Visit the [WLS website](#) or the [NYLA's website](#) for additional information.