

Weaver Middle School
Weaver Wire



Notes from the Principal

Dear Weaver Families,

First and foremost, we want our families to know that September is Suicide Prevention month; we want our Wildcats to always know they are never alone. The [Hope App](#) on the district iPad has numerous resources to get immediate help. In addition, another resource is the National Suicide Crisis Hotline - the number is 988 (call or text). Today and always, we want our Wildcats to know this message: You Matter.

Thank you to our Wildcat families for your commitment to attendance! Over the last 6 days, our 8th grade best day of attendance was 95.58%. Our 7th grade was 95.97% present. Wow! Out of 900+ students, this is an excellent statistic - most importantly, our Wildcats are in their classrooms learning.

As we look ahead on the calendar, please save the date for our Weaver Family Tailgate (10/4) sponsored by our incredible PTO. It would be great to see our Wildcat families at this event! If you are interested in supporting our PTO - please consider donating to our Give Now Campaign ([you can support our students and staff by following this link.](#)) We are hoping to make a final push and double our current amount by October 4! Any support helps; this money goes directly back to supporting our Wildcats. THANK YOU - the support of the Wildcat community never goes unnoticed to us!

As a reminder for our 8th grade students attending Washington DC - there is a parent meeting on Thursday, September 19 at 7 PM at Weaver Middle School (Main Gym).

With our Davidson Football team taking on the Darby Panthers this Friday, we are expecting a big turnout at Darby for the game. Please continue to have conversations with your students about behavior at these games. Students need to be in the student section or with their parent in the stands. As a reminder, there can be school consequences and/or Hilliard Police consequences for behavior at these games. To help be proactive, we are sharing this consistent message across the district:

Dear Hilliard Families,

We are excited to see our students show their school spirit and enthusiasm at our high school football games, and we love the energy they bring to these events. However, we want to remind everyone that football games are school-sponsored events, and all students are expected to behave appropriately.

Please take a moment to speak with your student about the importance of following appropriate behaviors during the game. If a student acts inappropriately, they will be asked to leave the event, and you will need to pick them up immediately. This is for their safety as well as for the enjoyment of all fans attending the game.

We want our students to come to the games, and be a part of our school community, we just ask for your partnership in ensuring that everyone can enjoy the games without disruption.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out if there is anything that we can do to help support your student at WMS. We are always here to help.

Thank you for all you do for Weaver Middle School! Go Cats!

Katherine Hueter
Principal

Preparing for the 8th Grade Washington DC Trip:

Parent-Student Meeting: Thursday, September 19th at 7:00 pm in the Main Gym.

Students who are going to DC have been added to a DC Canvas course. Parents, please remind them to accept that course invitation. Once they accept the invitation, parents will be enrolled as observers. From this course, they need to download the DC Behavior Contract and the Overnight Trip Medical Permission Form in Notability. Parents should complete both documents on their child's iPad. Students must then upload the completed documents to the assignments in Canvas. Forms are due no later than September 19th.

Our Washington DC Coordinators are Meghan Schultz (Meghan_Schultz@hboe.org) and Cathy Emmons (Cathleen_Emmons@hboe.org). They are a great resource for any questions!

Water Only in Classrooms/Hallways

We know your child may enjoy bringing in a special drink or treat when coming into the building at the start of the day, or when entering the building after an appointment. However, to avoid spills and keep our building clean, we ask that students only have water in our academic spaces. Students will be asked to finish or dispose of those drinks before they can head to class.

Canvas Parent App

Canvas has launched new functionality in the Canvas Parent app which makes it very easy for parents to check student Canvas submissions and teacher feedback. Weaver and Davidson are piloting this, and we feel confident promoting the Canvas Parent app. Please consider downloading it onto your mobile device.

Canvas is a learning management system where work can be assigned, submitted, and graded. Observers can choose to receive notifications of work completed in Canvas: [click here to learn how](#). Canvas sends score updates into **Home Access**, our district's official gradebook. Guardians can choose to receive grade notifications from Home Access. [This video shows how](#).

Weaver Family Tailgate

- **New Date: October 4th**
- 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
- Outside at WMS (Parking lot near Davidson Road light)
- For Students, Families, Community
- Food Trucks

We are still in need of volunteers, please sign up here for any help you can provide:

[Tailgate signup](#)

- No time to volunteer? Can pick up a few things while out? Please check out this donations list to help support Weaver students! [Non-Monetary List](#)
- Can't swing this event, but want to help at another event? (Next one is as soon as September 23!) [Volunteer 2024-2025](#)
- No Volunteer Badge yet? Here ya go! [Volunteer Badge application](#)

We're looking forward to a great time connecting with our Wildcat friends and family!

Thank you! Go Cats!



Daily Announcements

Mobile Dentist is Coming to WMS September 19!

Great news! Our school has partnered with Smile Programs, the mobile dentist, to offer in-school dental care on Thursday, September 19th, 2024. The mobile dentists will be set up at Weaver Middle School. Davidson students will be walked to and from Weaver by a Hilliard City Schools staff member at their appointment time. Sign up your child [here](#) or fill out a paper form (forms were delivered to students earlier this week). Please return any paper forms to the building nurse by September 16th, 2024. Even better, dental care is usually at no cost to you. All insurance is accepted including Medicaid and CHIP. For those without insurance, a low-cost self-pay option

is available. Our in-school dental program saves you time and provides a safe and comfortable place for your child to receive gentle dental care from licensed local professionals. Dental care includes a complete dental exam, x-rays, cleaning, fluoride and sealants when necessary, and in some cases, restorative care such as fillings.

Picture Make-up/Retake Day – September 26

Picture Make-up/Retake day will be the morning of Thursday, September 26th for students who missed picture day or who need to have a picture retake. If you missed ordering pictures on picture day, you can go to shop.hrimaging.com to order a picture package.

Order Your 24-25 Weaver Yearbook Online!

The 2024-2025 WMS Yearbook is on sale now! Order by September 27th for just \$40! This will be the lowest price all year! Click the link below to place your order today. Go cats!

[24-25 WMS Yearbook Order](#)

General School Reminders:

- To sign out your student early for an appointment or early dismissal, you will need to scan your Driver's License or state-issued ID using our School Safe ID kiosk in the main office, so please plan to **bring your ID into the office with you when you arrive.**
- All visitors and volunteers to our school (during the school day) will also be required to check in at our School Safe ID kiosk in the main office using a driver's license or state-issued ID.
- Just a reminder that students are permitted to have phones at school, however, they are not to be used during class time. Students are able to use them during their lunch period. Thank you for helping us to reinforce the expectations.

- At this time, we will not be allowing extra students on the bus. Only students assigned to the bus may ride.
- Students are not permitted to get food deliveries from any restaurant or delivery service (Grub Hub, Door Dash, etc.) during their lunch periods. Parents are permitted to drop off lunches for students in the main office.
- For continued safety in the car line, please stay in your lane when picking up your child – do not pass any cars in front of you. There are too many vehicles in motion, as well as students walking, and we do not want any unsafe situations.



PTO

PTO Meetings

WMS PTO Meetings are in the Media Center at 6:30 PM on the following dates:

Monday, October 7th

Monday, November 4th

Please “Give Now” to Weaver PTO

We love to support our students and staff and we can do this because of your generous donations. Please “**Give Now**” to Weaver PTO so that we can continue to give back to our school! The process has never been easier - use this link to donate: [Weaver - 2024 Give Now](#).



Athletics

DAVIDSON FOOTBALL - MIDDLE SCHOOL SECTION MOVED

We ask that you please continue to have conversations with your child about behavior at the Davidson football games. In order to improve and ensure a positive fan experience, we are partnering with Davidson, and **our Weaver students will be joining the back of the High School student section.** There will be designated rows towards the top of the student section (bright orange signs that say WMS). Please note - there will not be a middle school student section on the other side of the stadium as there was in the past. Students can either cheer for the Wildcats in the 7-12 student section or sit with their parents and watch the game in the stands. When students attend these games, the expectation is to be focused on cheering on the Wildcats! Students not representing the Wildcat Way will be removed from the game. As always, our goal is to continue to keep the game a safe place for the entire Wildcat community.



Important Dates

Dates to Remember:

Thursday, September 19	Mobile Dentist at WMS
Thursday, September 19, 7 pm	DC Trip Parent-Student Meeting
Thursday, September 26	Picture Make-up/Retake Day
Friday, October 4, 5-7 pm	Weaver Family Tailgate
Friday, October 11	End of 1 st Grading Period

Friday, October 18

No School – Central Ohio In-Service

Tuesday, November 5

No School - Professional Learning Waiver Day



District News

Issue 39 Community Conversations

Please join us for a Levy Information Community Conversation. Each meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a short presentation from Superintendent David Stewart and Treasurer Melissa Swearingen. Then, community members will have time to ask questions regarding the November 5, 2024, ballot levy initiative.

September 18 – Beacon Elementary
September 25 – Darby High School
October 2 – Hoffman Trails Elementary
October 9 – Davidson High School
October 16 – Brown Elementary
October 23 – Ridgewood Elementary

Embrace, Empower, Inspire Awards Return

The Embrace-Empower-Inspire Awards are back this year. They are presented throughout the school year to staff members who exemplify the values of Hilliard City Schools and make exceptional contributions to our district. These staff members demonstrate the Hilliard Way by making a difference every day, investing time in others, and pursuing excellence.

Congratulations to Brown Elementary Principal Kate Miller who was selected as the September winner. [Click here](#) to nominate a staff member today.

Taste of Hilliard

Enjoy tasty samples from Hilliard area restaurants at the Hilliard Area Chamber of Commerce Taste of the Town on Wednesday, September 18th from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at The Makoy.

The Taste of the Town, formerly known as the Taste of Hilliard showcases restaurants, chefs and specialty food vendors. Guests 21 and older will sample signature menu items. The Chamber is a

proud sponsor of several scholarships for Hilliard graduates. You [can click here](#) for more information.

National Veteran Memorial and Museum Air Force Birthday Events

As part of an ongoing commitment to education and community engagement, the National Veteran Memorial Museum is thrilled to commemorate the U.S. Air Force Birthday September 20th-22nd with discounted admission and hands-on learning activities.

Event Highlights:

- Air Force Trivia
- Air Force Activity Packets
- Create a popsicle stick airplane
- Access to our latest exhibition, Remembered Light: Glass Fragments from World War II

[Click here](#) for more information.



Helpful Links & Resources

[Stay Connected with HCSD / Weaver](#)

Please continue to visit our district website regularly for the most up-to-date school information: <https://www.hilliardschools.org>.

- **Current athletic information** can be found online on the athletic website: <https://www.hilliardschools.org/davidsonwildcats/>.
- **Update Contact Information through parent Home Access** – please update as changes occur during the school year. Please visit our website to update your address: <https://www.hilliardschools.org/residency-update/>
- **To keep up with activities and events at Weaver**, please check our [Activity Calendar](#). In addition, the weekly **Weaver Wire** will be posted on the Weaver [website](#). Follow Weaver Twitter feed at [@wmscats](#), on Instagram: [weavermscats](#) and like us on [Facebook](#).

- **Hilliard City School District** — Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/HilliardSchools or follow the district Twitter feed at www.twitter.com/HilliardSchools

Visit the [Flyers Connections Page](#) to find information on a variety of community resources.