



# Notes from the Principal

Dear Weaver Families,

Thank you to our Wildcats for another great week at WMS!

Next Tuesday (9/24), we are going to have a “Blue Out” competition during Team Time. Our students and staff are invited to wear **BLUE** next Tuesday. In Team Time, classes will take a class/or "team" picture - the most blue and/or most creativity wins a prize from the administration! Currently in Team Time, we are working on building community and goal setting. Our goal with teams is to make a big school feel small - we want every student to feel like they belong at WMS. We are looking forward to seeing our school spirit on Tuesday!

In addition to the energy in our school culture, we are proud of the learning taking place in our academic spaces. As a reminder, please continue to check [Home Access](#) for your student's coursework. Our Conferences are October 3. Please see below for sign up information. As a reminder, the first grading period ends on October 11.

Thank you to our Wildcat families for your commitment to attendance! Not only do we want to get above last year's average, attendance directly connects to student achievement.

Next week is a busy week for athletics - good luck to our Wildcats in action! It has been great to see our students compete and represent our school.

As always, please continue to communicate with our school staff if there is anything we can do to help support your student at WMS. We are here to help!

Thank you for all you do for WMS! Go Cats!

Katherine Hueter

Principal

## Parent-Teacher Conference Night – October 3

Weaver's Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held the evening of **Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>**. **Please use this link to sign up for a conference with your student's teacher(s):** <http://bit.ly/wmsconferences>

## Picture Make-up/Retake Day – September 26

Picture Make-up/Retake day will be the morning of Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 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](http://shop.hrimaging.com) to order a picture package.

If you ordered a picture package from our original picture day, packages arrived and were sent home yesterday. If you would like to have a picture retake, your student will need to bring the picture package back to school next Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, give it to the photographer and they will take another picture and order the same package using the new image.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington DC Trip Update:

It is exciting that our DC trip is less than a month away! If you were unable to attend the Parent-Student DC meeting last night, please check the [Weaver DC page](#) on the WMS website to see the slide show presentation from the meeting. We are asking parents who didn't attend the meeting to stop in at the office by 3:00 on Friday, September 27 to sign off on roommates. Additionally, if you haven't submitted your signed medical form, please do that as soon as possible. Thank you for your help with both of these things. We are looking forward to having a fabulous trip!

## Order Your 24-25 Weaver Yearbook Online!

The 2024-2025 WMS Yearbook is on sale now! Order by September 27<sup>th</sup> 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](#)

## Tardy Update

Weaver's staff continues to make instructional time valuable for all learners. With that in mind, students need to be present and ready to learn. We appreciate any steps you have taken to ensure your child arrives to school on time. Now, we also need your help in ensuring your child is making it to class on time. Students will receive a warning after their first four times being tardy to any class during the first nine-week grading period. After that warning, disciplinary consequences may be assigned. If your child has issues arriving on time to any class period on a regular basis, they should discuss that issue with Mr. Hunt, the Assistant Principal.



## Daily Announcements

### 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](#).

## 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.



## Events

### Weaver Family Tailgate

- ***New Date: October 4<sup>th</sup>***

- 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!



**PTO**

## **PTO Meetings**

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

**Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>**

## **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.](#)

Our Give Now Campaign will be running until October 11th. We need your support to reach our goal of \$5,000. Unfortunately, we are not quite there yet. These funds will support various events and initiatives, including the Fall Socials, Student Recognition, 8th Grade Clap Out, Teacher Appreciation Week, Conference Meals, and more. Your contribution will help make these events successful for the 2024-2025 school year.

Don't forget to switch your Kroger Rewards and Box Tops to Weaver Middle School.

As a 501©(3) organization, some companies and corporations may offer donation matches on behalf of parents with students attending Weaver MS.

Thank you for your support!



## 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: [weavermcats](#) and like us on [Facebook](#).
- **Hilliard City School District** — Like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/HilliardSchools](http://www.facebook.com/HilliardSchools) or follow the district Twitter feed at [www.twitter.com/HilliardSchools](http://www.twitter.com/HilliardSchools)

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



# 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 26	Picture Make-up/Retake Day
Thursday, October 3	Parent-Teacher Conference Night
Friday, October 4, 5-7 pm	Weaver Family Tailgate
Friday, October 11	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Grading Period
<b>Friday, October 18</b>	<b>No School – Central Ohio In-Service</b>
<b>Tuesday, November 5</b>	<b>No School - Professional Learning Waiver Day</b>



# 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 25 – Darby High School

October 2 – Hoffman Trails Elementary

October 9 – Davidson High School

October 16 – Brown Elementary

October 23 – Ridgewood Elementary

## **Entertainment Supporting Innovative Learning**

Denim and Diamonds is back with a new entertainment twist: Dueling Pianos. The Hilliard Education Foundation is excited about the February 28 event at The Makoy to help raise money for innovative learning opportunities for Hilliard Schools. Stay tuned for more details, and mark your calendars now for this exciting event!

## **Tolles Electives Information for Parents of 6-11th Graders**

Thinking college and career? Attend an upcoming coffee chat to learn more about the "super electives" your kids can take later in high school with Tolles. Options include engineering, healthcare (pharmacy, nursing, exercise science, veterinary), cybersecurity, art design, digital graphics, fire management/EMS, construction, welding, and more, including several senior-only programs. Two webinar dates to choose from. Click to register: [October 8 at 6:30 pm](#) or [November 13 at 6:30 pm](#). All registrants receive the recording.

## **Ohio Fights Childhood Cancer Event**

Ohio Fights Cancer invites you to help Bridge the Gap in childhood cancer support and funding! Join them at The Dublin Link Bridge for the first Annual 'Ohio Fights Childhood Cancer' Event. This will take place on September 21 from 11 am – 2 pm. There will be games, crafts, giveaways, music, and all things gold!



