



Dear Weaver Families,

It has been a great start to 2025! We hope our Wildcat families had a great break. Without a doubt, we missed our 924 Wildcats at 4600 Avery Road.

As we start a new year, we want to continue to refresh our expectations as a building. As always, our goal is to create a safe and inclusive school environment. We are reminding our students that half their story is written for this year, but their next semester is entirely up to them. They are now closer to the next grade level - while expectations continue to rise, our support will always follow. We are proud of our Wildcats!

It is also hard to believe that scheduling for the 25-26 school year is around the corner. We will continue to communicate updates, but <u>please reference our school</u> <u>website for more information</u>. Our 8th grade students will be scheduling for their 9th grade classes first. As we shared in Canvas, we also want our 8th grade families to save the date for a "Scheduling Parent Meeting" on January 22 from 6-7 PM at Davidson. In February, we will have 7th grade students start the scheduling process.

We realize the challenge of middle school students wanting to wear a coat, but please use the school as an excuse for another reminder! We are continuing to remind students to wear a coat during these cold temperatures. If your child is in need of a winter coat or other winter items, please call us at the school at 614-921-7700. We have opportunities to help.

Thank you for all that you do for WMS! Go Cats and Go Buckeyes!

2025-2026 – Next Year Scheduling Information

You can find information about planning for next school year on our website's Scheduling & Registration page: <u>https://www.hilliardschools.org/wms/scheduling-and-registration-info/</u>

Scheduling meetings for Parents to learn about scheduling their student's next year's classes will be held on the following dates:

- **8th Grade students going into 9th Grade:** Wednesday, January 22, 6-7 pm in the media center (located upstairs) at Davidson High School. The agenda will cover introductions, curriculum & course selections, and resources & support.
- 7th **Grade students going into 8th Grade:** Since it is a similar process to last year, there will not be an in-person meeting. Scheduling information will be shared soon.
- 6th Grade students going into 7th Grade: Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 6-7 pm at Weaver Middle School.

Note: These meetings are for **parents only** as counselors will be giving students the same information during the school day. If you are unable to attend, this information will be posted to our website for each grade.

Scheduling Information for Students

• **Current 8th Grade Students:** Davidson counselors will be meeting with all 8th grade students at Weaver during their social studies class on January

22nd and 29th to discuss the high school transition and how to make schedule requests for the 2025-26 school year.

• **Current** 7th **Grade Students:** Weaver Counselors will be talking to 7th grade students about registering for next year's classes during their Social Studies classes in early February.



Exciting PTO Meeting News

Exciting News: Having trouble making it to our monthly meetings but still want to contribute to the middle school experience? Starting February 3, we will transition our meetings to Zoom. You can join us from anywhere in the world and still make an impact! Please join us on February 3.

Upcoming PTO Events

Next PTO-sponsored event: February Parent-Teacher Conference (providing meals for teachers and staff during evening conferences).



Order Your 24-25 Weaver Yearbook Online!

The 2024-2025 WMS Yearbook is on sale now! <u>Order by March 28th for just \$45</u>! Click the link below to place your order today. Go cats! <u>24-25 WMS Yearbook Order</u>

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 reinforce the expectations.
- At this time, we will <u>not</u> be allowing extra students on the bus. Only students assigned to the bus may ride.
- Students are <u>not</u> 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.
- To avoid spills and keep our building clean, we ask that students only have water in our academic spaces.

 There are many ways for students to get involved at Weaver, including clubs & activities: <u>Extra-Curricular Activities – Hilliard Weaver Middle School</u> (hilliardschools.org)



Weaver Sports

Please visit our <u>Athletic Website</u> for information about Weaver winter sports.



Important Dates

Dates to Remember:

Tuesday, January 14, 3:00 pm Monday, January 20 Wednesday, January 22, 6-7 pm Thursday, January 23 Monday, February 3, 6:30 pm Wednesday, February 12 Friday, February 14 Monday, February 17 Wednesday, February 19, 6-7 pm Report Cards available in Home Access **No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day** 8th into 9th Grade Parent Meeting @ HDV Groups & Clubs Yearbook Pictures WMS PTO Meeting via Zoom WMS Parent-Teacher Conference Night **No School – Conference Comp Day No School – Presidents Day** 6th into 7th Grade Parent Scheduling Mtg



Kindergarten Registration January 13, 2025

Hilliard City School District will begin Kindergarten Registration on January 13, 2025 for the 2025-26 school year. If your child will be five years of age on or before September 30, 2025, they are eligible to start kindergarten during the 2025-26 school year.

Parents can access the <u>registration website</u> (on or after January 13, 2025) to complete online registration. Once you have completed the registration process and provided all required documentation, you will be given access to schedule your child's kindergarten screening appointment for August. Please don't delay. The District uses registration numbers in the spring to determine how many kindergarten classes will be offered at each building. Please make sure that your child is enrolled as soon as possible to secure a spot at the building assigned to your address.

Contact the Hilliard City Schools Welcome Center at (614) 921-7096 with questions. For more information, please visit the Hilliard City School District website at <u>www.hilliardschools.org.</u>

Understanding Snow Day Decisions

Winter weather in Central Ohio brings its fair share of challenges, and deciding whether to delay or cancel school is one of the most difficult responsibilities our team faces. We know these decisions impact families, staff, and our entire community, and take this responsibility very seriously. <u>Click here to read</u> about what all goes into making these important decisions.

City of Hilliard MLK Day Event

Honor Dr. King's legacy and make a difference this MLK Day at the City of Hilliard's annual Heart for Service Volunteer Fair and Community Luncheon at the Hilliard Community Center on January 20. Connect with local non-profit agencies, create art at the Hilliard Arts Council's pop-up art table, watch a film, enjoy music, a balloon twister, and much more. Additionally, help launch two new collaborative kindness projects: A Little Bag of Birthday and No Sew Fleece Blankets. All supplies will be provided. Lunch will be available for purchase, served in bowls handmade by Hilliard City School District students. All proceeds will be donated to the Hilliard Food Pantry.

Here is the link to the event page on the city website: <u>https://hilliardohio.gov/events/heart-for-service-volunteer-fair-community-luncheon/</u>

National Veterans Memorial And Museum Events

Here are two upcoming events at the National Veterans Memorial and Museum (NVMM) that will provide educational experiences for students and families, specifically on days when Hilliard City Schools' students are out of school. These events highlight history, service, and community engagement, aligning perfectly with your district's goals of fostering learning and civic involvement.

Battle of the Bulge: 80 Years Later

Date: Saturday, January 18, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Admission: \$8 per person (Free for children 5 and under, Veterans, Active-Duty Service Members, and Gold Star Families) Step into history and commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge with an immersive experience.

MLK Jr. Day of Service

Date: Monday, January 20, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Admission: \$5 per person (Free for children 5 and under, Veterans, Active-Duty Service Members, and Gold Star Families)

Honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy with a day of reflection and community service:



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.