

Notes from the Principal

Dear Weaver Families,

Thank you for a great week at WMS! Earlier this week, we were able to welcome our incoming 7th grade students at Tharp and through a parent meeting - we were able to share about the Wildcat experience and our pride for WMS. There is always excitement around scheduling for a new school year.

With that being said, we are making each school day count at WMS - we are proud of our students for their learning and growing in our classrooms. As we move through the second half of this school year, we want to emphasize the importance of our students being Self Advocates, a key trait in our Portrait of a Learner. As a reminder, the end of the 3rd nine weeks is March 7. Please do not hesitate to reach out to a staff member for any help or support.

For anyone interested in WMS Spring Sports, <u>please refer to our Athletic Website</u> for more information on try-outs/practice times.

Lastly, our counselors have been in classrooms helping students with the scheduling process. We will continue to communicate scheduling updates, but <u>please reference our school website for more information</u>.

Please continue to have conversations with your students about the classes they are taking for the 25-26 school year!

Thank you! Go Cats!

Katherine Hueter

Principal



From the Weaver Clinic:

Mobile Dentists will return to WMS on Wednesday, March 19, 2025.

Please use the online site www.MySchoolDentist.com to register your student or have them pick up a form in the office. For the paper form, please complete and return to school. If you have any questions, please call the clinic at 614-921-7710 or email katy_kennedy@hboe.org abigail Gischel@hboe.org

2025-2026 - Next Year Scheduling Information

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

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:
- View 8th into 9th Scheduling Presentation for Students
- View Parent Presentation from 1/27 Meeting
 - **7**th **Grade students going into 8**th **Grade:** Since it is a similar process to last year, there will not be an in-person meeting. Scheduling information will be shared soon.
 - **6**th **Grade students going into 7**th **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 7th Grade Students: Weaver Counselors will be talking to 7th grade students about registering for next year's classes during their Social Studies classes on February 18th & 19th (these are updated dates)

Order Your 24-25 Weaver Yearbook Online!

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

24-25 WMS Yearbook Order

Ohio State Testing - April

Looking ahead, in April we will begin our Ohio State Testing. Students have been working hard all year and to "show what they know" on these assessments. You can access your student's Ohio State Test scores from previous years in Home Access. We are going to have discussions around goal setting with our students for Ohio State Test and STAR assessments with our students.

For planning ahead, here are our state testing dates:

Wednesday, April 9th - ELA Part 1 (7th and 8th grade)

Thursday, April 10th - ELA Part 2 (7th and 8th grade)

Tuesday, April 15th - Science Part 1 and 2 (8th grade only)

Tuesday, April 22nd - Math Part 1 (7th and 8th grade)

Wednesday, April 23rd - Math Part 2 (7th and 8th grade)

Testing will take place from 7:55-10:13 am on these days and students will follow an adjusted bell schedule once testing is complete each day. Please make sure that your child is well rested, has a good breakfast and arrives to school on-time. Students should also make sure their iPads are completely charged when they arrive at school on testing days.

If possible, please try to avoid scheduling any appointments or other planned absences on these testing dates. Students who are absent will make up the tests on a later date.

We believe in our Wildcats! As always, please do not hesitate to reach out if there is anything we can do to support your child at WMS. We are always here to help!

Reminders from the Clinic:

- If your student has prescription medication that they will carry or store in the clinic, there must be a completed medication form to accompany each medication. You can access the forms on the district website under the medical forms at this link: https://www.hilliardschools.org/news/forms/. Each medication will need form "A" (Parent permission) *plus* either form "B" "C" or "D" (Prescriber Authorization) depending on the type of medication. You can also pick one up from the school if you prefer.
- Starting in 7th grade, students may carry a day's worth of Over-the-Counter medications with them. It needs to be in the original bottle and have Form "A", the parent authorization form signed and turned in to the clinic.
- If your student has had any changes in their medical history, please contact the school nurse. In addition, if your student calls or texts you saying they don't feel well during the school day and wants to be picked up, please encourage them to come to the clinic so we can help with that process. By coming to the clinic, we can assess their condition and then collaborate with you on the next steps.

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)



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!



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 <u>Activity Calendar</u>. In addition, the weekly <u>Weaver Wire</u> will be posted on the Weaver <u>website</u>. Follow Weaver Twitter feed at <u>@wmscats</u>, on Instagram: <u>weavermscats</u> and like us on <u>Facebook</u>.
- **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 <u>Flyers Connections Page</u> to find information on a variety of community resources.



Weaver Spring Sports Information:

Hello Weaver Athletes & Families, <u>please click here for information regarding your upcoming spring season at Weaver MS</u>, coach information, start dates, etc. If you have any questions, be sure to listen to WMS morning announcements, contact your coach, or contact the athletic department.



Monday, February 24, 7:00 PM at Davidson -

WMS Band Concert

Tuesday, February 25th, 7:00 PM at WMS Commons -

WMS Cadet Orchestra, WMS 7th Grade Treble Choir, & WMS Select Singers Concert

Monday, March 3rd, 7:00 PM at Davidson PAC -

Tharp Orchestra & Weaver Concert 2 Orchestra Concert

Thursday, March 6th, 7:00 PM at Davison PAC -

WMS 8th Grade Treble Choir, WMS Tenor Bass Choir and All Davidson Choirs



Important Dates

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Monday, March 3, 7 PM
@ HDV

Tharp Orchestra & Weaver Concert 2 Orchestra Concert

Thursday, March 6, 7 PM All Davidson Choirs @ HDV WMS 8th Grade Treble Choir, WMS Tenor Bass Choir and

Friday, March 7 Smoothie King during student lunches

Friday, March 7 End of 3rd Grading Period

March 31 - April 4 No School - Spring Break

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District News

Embrace, Empower & Inspire Award Winners

Congratulations to this month's Embrace, Empower & Inspire Award winners, Kylie Bell (Intervention Assistant at Darby High School), and Marcy Baker (SACC at Tharp). You can <u>click here</u> to read all about these inspiring teachers on our web page!

Scholarship Application Deadlines Looming

Seniors looking to apply for scholarships need to apply soon. Many local and national scholarship deadlines are fast approaching or past due. Scholarship applications are available in Schoolinks.

Ohio Technical Centers - What's Next Webinar

If you have a junior or senior and are unsure about what's next after graduation, join a live webinar to learn about fast-paced, high-impact education available from the Ohio Technical Centers. Prepare for indemand 21st century jobs and register today. Every student deserves a confident path to work they can love. Our free webinar is February 25 at 6:30pm. Register here: https://bit.ly/OTC-Feb2025