

Notes from the Principal

Dear Weaver Families,

As we turn the page to August, we are incredibly excited to welcome our Wildcats back to WMS this month! Please see the information below about CAT Days, Open House/Meet and Greet, New-to-Weaver Orientation, and other 23-24 school year information.

For the first time - in addition to CAT Days - we are hosting a back-to-school kickoff event the evening of Tuesday, August 15. Thank you to our amazing PTO for their hard work and for organizing this event for our Wildcat families! The Open House/Meet & Greet will give students and parents/guardians an opportunity to tour Weaver, visit classrooms, and meet the WMS Staff. There will also be music, food trucks, spirit wear, and more. We hope you can join us to kickoff the 23-24 school year at WMS!

For those who are interested in participating in athletics, please make sure to review our <u>tryout and practice information</u>. When we start school, we will continue to share multiple ways to get involved at WMS - through clubs, music, arts, and more. We are proud to support our Wildcats - both in and out of the classroom!

To stay informed about 23-24 school year information, please continue to reference our <u>school website</u>, Weaver Wire eNews, or WMS Social Media (<u>Facebook</u>, Twitter: <u>@WMSCats</u>, and Instagram: <u>weavermscats</u>). As always, please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions. We are always here to help!

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

Katherine Hueter Principal

Getting Ready for 2023 – 2024!

The first day of the 2023-2024 school year will be Tuesday, August 22nd.

WMS CAT Days

Weaver CAT Days for the 2023 - 2024 school year are scheduled for August 14^{th} & 15^{th} . This is an opportunity for students to pick up their iPads, try out their lockers and walk through the building to find their classes. Families are welcome to come and go any time during the hours listed below. (Parents are not required to be present for students to pick up their iPad).

Monday, August 14th, 8:00 am -11:00 am and 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Tuesday, August 15th, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

PTO will also be selling Spirit Wear during CAT Days and Kona Ice will be at Weaver too! We hope to see you there!

WMS Open House/Meet & Greet and New Student Orientation – August 15th

Weaver will be having both our Open House/Meet & Greet and New Student Orientation on **Tuesday**, **August 15**. This is open to current students and their families at WMS for the 23-24 school year. Join the WMS Staff and Wildcat Community for a back-to-school kickoff event at WMS!

Open House/Meet & Greet: Join us anytime between 5:00 – 7:00 PM

New Student Orientation Meeting in WMS Main Gym: 6:30 PM

Our Open House/Meet & Greet will give students and parents/guardians an opportunity to visit classrooms and meet the Weaver Staff. There will be music, food trucks, spirit wear, and more. Come kickoff the 23-24 school year at WMS!

Our New Student Orientation is for our incoming 7th grade students and 8th grade students who are new to Weaver. For our families who are new to WMS, we will also have an informational meeting in the Main Gym at 6:30 PM. At this meeting, we will provide information and details about the middle school experience.

Items to Note:

- iPad pick up will not be available during Open House/Meet & Greet or New Student Orientation so please also plan to attend one of Weaver's CAT Days. Students unable to pick up iPads during CAT Days will receive their iPad on the first day of school.
- Parking may be a challenge this evening please consider parking at Davidson High School and walking across the street!

WMS School Supplies

These items are recommended (not required)

1 three ring binder Dividers 1 pkg. pencils

1 jnk pen

Ear buds

1 pkg. 200 count notebook paper

Optional: Stylus

Band: 1" Binder with 25 plastic top-load sheet protectors (required) Orchestra: 1" Binder (required)

(Teachers will communicate any specific needs for courses in the first few weeks of class)

Picture Day – August 25

Individual student pictures will be taken during school the morning of Friday, August 25th. These photos are for the yearbook as well as student ID's so all students will be photographed, even if not purchasing pictures. We will have a make-up picture day in September.

Watch the mail for a flyer from HR Imaging that contains all of the information needed for picture day! Extra order envelopes will be available in the main office closer to picture day.



Weaver Family Tailgate - September 22

Mark your calendar for our Weaver Family Tailgate on Friday, September 22nd, more details coming soon. We're looking forward to a great time connecting with our Wildcat friends and family!

8th Grade Washington, DC Trip

You can still register for this fall's 8th grade Washington, DC trip until August 25. The trip will be on **October 16-19**, **2023**. Please visit the Washington, DC Trip webpage on our Weaver Website for the most up-to-date information about this fall's 8th Grade trip, including registration information and a link to a recording of our informational webinar.

The final day to register for the 8th grade DC trip will be Friday, August 25th.

In order to receive a roommate selection form the following week, your account must be up to date according to Prodigy Student Travel's payment plan. Therefore, on Friday, August 25th, you should have paid \$620 on your Prodigy account. Your final payment of \$165 will be due on Friday, September 15th.

Our Washington DC Coordinators are Meghan Schultz (<u>Meghan Schultz@hboe.org</u>) and Cathy Emmons (<u>Cathleen Emmons@hboe.org</u>). They are a great resource for any questions!



Weaver Fall Sports Information

Most of our Weaver teams will start practice or try-outs on Monday, July 31st, <u>click here</u> for a list of Weaver Fall Sports Tryouts & Practice Times.

Please sign up in <u>FinalForms</u> to get specific sport's updates. Make sure to check our <u>Athletic Website</u> and also review the <u>parent tab on our Athletics</u> <u>webpage</u> for information about the necessary requirements for athletic participation.



Performing Arts

Attention All Students Who Love Theater:

The combined Hilliard Middle Schools (Heritage, Memorial and Weaver) will be putting on the production of the Lion King this fall!

Auditions will be held September 5th on the stage at Station.

For more information including the schedule, please visit the website: <u>Middle School Musical – 7th and 8th Graders – HCSD Performing Arts Department (hilliardschools.org)</u>



The Weaver PTO is busy planning for the 2023-2024 school year. Stay tuned for more information about meetings and upcoming fall activities. This year's officers are:

President: Laura Kessler

VP: Cassandra De La Rosa

Treasurer: Tom Stoltz

Secretary: Jenny Petrillo

ISTPO rep: Kim Amaya

Please feel free to contact us at hillardwmspto@gmail.com

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 - 2023 Give Now.

Next PTO Meeting – Monday, September 11, 6:00 pm in the Media Center



Important Dates

Dates to Remember:

Monday, August 14, 8-11 am & 5-8 pm

Tuesday, August 15, 12 - 3 pm

Tuesday, August 15, 5-7 pm

Tuesday, August 15, 6:30 pm

Tuesday, August 22

Friday, August 25

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Monday, September 4

Monday, September 11, 6 pm

Friday, September 22

WMS CAT Days & iPad Pick-up

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Open House/Meet & Greet

New Student Orientation

First Day of School

Picture Day

8th Grade Trip Registration Deadline

No School – Labor Day

Weaver PTO Meeting

Weaver Family Tailgate



District News

Important Summer 'To Do List' for Parents/Families

Please take a few minutes to be sure we have your updated contact information in Home Access Center. It is especially important we have an accurate MAIN/PRIMARY phone number listed as well as an email address. These pieces of contact information are used by the district and your child's school building for emergency and important notification messages. You can also view & sign off on the student handbook and purchase the Technology Protection Plan. Here are some links to help:

View the Technology Protection Plan

To enroll/purchase click here.

How to update Registration Information/Contacts and more in HomeAccess



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/.

- <u>Update Contact Information through parent Home Access</u> please update as changes occur during the school year. All address changes must go through the HCSD Welcome Center, https://www.hilliardschools.org/updating-your-address/
- To keep up with activities and events at Weaver, please check our <u>Activity Calendar</u>. In addition, the weekly <u>announcements</u> as well as the weekly *Weaver Wire* will be posted on the Weaver <u>website</u>. Follow Weaver Twitter feed at <u>@wmscats</u>, 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 <u>Flyers Connections Page</u> to find information on a variety of community resources