



## Notes from the Principal

Dear Weaver Families,

Wildcat pride filled our hallways this week! Our fall sports have officially started, we had our first week with instruments in our music department, and our students and staff are continuing to work hard in the classroom. One of my favorite highlights is how many students stop to say “hi” or “thank you.” Today and always, we are proud of our Wildcats!

For our families new to WMS, we wanted to introduce Officer Gleason, our School Resource Officer (SRO) at Weaver. A lot of our Wildcat families know Officer Gleason from the community - he has been a SRO in Hilliard Schools for the last 10 years. Our students will see him visible throughout the school day; he is always available to help and does an excellent job building relationships with our Wildcats. We are thankful to have Officer Gleason at WMS!

As a Wildcat family, I would like to say THANK YOU for your continued support of WMS! Your support and energy to starting this new school year has been phenomenal. I would like to highlight an opportunity to continue your support through our WMS PTO [Give Now Campaign](#). Our hope is to limit future fundraisers with this one-time donation. Any amount is appreciated and goes directly back to our school!

Here are a few examples of how this fundraiser has gone back to our students and staff at WMS:

- New blue benches at WMS (Last year's project!)
- Photobooth at lunches
- Landscape projects
- New blue curtains on stage
- New water fountains (that fill water bottles)
- WMS Socials / Tailgate / Events
- Awards for students
- Food/dessert for students and staff

- And more!

Lastly, I hope you take some time to read two short blogs on the District web page. The first is in regards to misinformation surrounding the property tax reappraisals in this Community. The second is about a new comprehensive plan from the City of Hilliard, and how it impacts our schools. Both of these blogs can be found by [clicking here](#), and both should clear up some confusion in our community.

As a reminder, our students will **not have school on Monday, September 4**. We hope our Wildcat families have a great and safe long weekend!

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

Katherine Hueter  
Principal

## Technology Protection Plan

The Technology Protection Plan (TPP) is highly recommended to all families of students in grades 2-12 as a way to help protect/repair their iPad in case of an accident either at school or at home.

For only \$25 per school year, the device loaned to your student will be covered against all incidental damage or loss over \$50. Accessories (charger and case) and damages valued at less than \$50 are NOT covered and are the sole responsibility of the student. Coverage is 24 hours per day.

**NEGLECT/ABUSE IS NOT COVERED.** The Technology Protection Plan will only cover two incidents per school year.

If paid, the TPP will release the parent/guardian from having to pay for loss or damage for the following reasons:

- Damages resulting from normal use and accidents.

- Loss or damages resulting from theft. An official copy of a police report is required.
- Loss or damages resulting from a fire. An official fire report from the investigating authority is required.
- Loss or damages resulting from a natural disaster.
- Damages resulting from a power surge.
- Damages resulting from vandalism by another individual. If found guilty, the vandal will be liable to pay for damages.

Without the TPP, your potential out-of-pocket expenses could be as high as \$330.00 per incident!

We strongly encourage you to enroll your student's device in our Technology Protection Plan for the **2023-2024**. Payment is easy and can be paid online by logging into your [MyPaymentsPlus](#) account.

For just \$25.00 the TPP will cover 2 incidents with no deductible. Coverage lasts for the entire 2023-2024 school year and is renewable each subsequent school year. The Technology Protection Plan will follow Board Policy-JN.

To view the agreement, or for more information, please visit the One2One Initiative site at: <http://www.hilliardschools.org/one2one/>



## Events

## **Davidson's Wildcat Way Community Tailgate – September 8**

The annual Davidson Wildcat Way Community Day is coming up on Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm next to the stadium. There will be food trucks, inflatables, games and face painting available- all free. [See attached flyer.](#)

Davidson would like to invite everyone to come join us and then head on over to the Davidson/Darby football game in our stadium at 7!

## **Weaver Family Tailgate – Friday, September 22**

Weaver PTO will be hosting a Family Social/Tailgate on Friday, September 22nd from 5 p.m. to 6:30 PM. We'll have food trucks (Nandos, Taquitos, Dos Hermanos) so bring your family and connect with the Weaver Community! We hope you can join us for food, games, Weaver swag sale, music and fun before heading over to the high school for the Davidson home football game!

Please use this link to sign up if you are available to help: [Weaver PTO: Weaver Family Tailgate](#)

## **Preparing for the Washington DC Trip:**

**Save the date: the Parent-Student Meeting will be on Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.**

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](mailto:Meghan_Schultz@hboe.org)) and Cathy Emmons ([Cathleen\\_Emmons@hboe.org](mailto:Cathleen_Emmons@hboe.org)). They are a great resource for any questions!



## Daily Announcements

### Picture Make-up/Retake Day – September 29

Picture Make-up/Re-take day will be the morning of Friday, September 29<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.

### General School Reminders:

- 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.
- WMS has a number of donated backpacks containing school supplies that are available to any student who needs one, while supplies last. Have your student stop by the guidance office to request one.
- Beginning this year, all visitors and volunteers to our school will be required to check in with our new visitor management system. You can [click here](#) for more information that was emailed to families.



**PTO**

## **Weaver PTO Courtyard Project Goal \$10,000**

Our goal is to start the process of courtyard beautification – an outdoor place that can be utilized by our students and staff. We want to start the process by providing bench seating for students and, with the money raised, we will provide as much seating as possible. [Pictured is an example of a single bench placed](#), but our eventual goal would be to form circular seating around the tree, which would serve a dual purpose of keeping rocks in place.

Please use this link Donate: <https://tinyurl.com/397rtasj>

**Join us for our first PTO Meeting – Monday, September 11, 6:00 pm in the Media Center.** The next PTO Meeting will be Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> (the PTO Flyer available during CAT Days had an incorrect date listed)



## 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 5<sup>th</sup> on the stage at Station.

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



## Important Dates

### Dates to Remember:

#### **Monday, September 4**

Monday, September 11, 6 pm

Tuesday, September 19, 7 pm

Friday, September 22, 5-6:30 pm

#### **No School – Labor Day**

Weaver PTO Meeting

8<sup>th</sup> Grade DC Trip Parent Meeting

Weaver Family Tailgate



## District News

### **Be Well – Prevention, Awareness, and Recovery Event**

District and Community leaders are joining together on September 20 at Darby High School to offer a free event for parents and guardians interested in learning about spotting the signs of substance use addiction. The free event is open to adults only and the first 300 guests will receive a free dinner.

The event will begin with dinner and a resource fair in the school's cafeteria from 5 to 6 p.m. A simulated teenage bedroom will be on display in the Performing Arts Center. Parents are invited to tour the interactive bedroom to learn to spot risky behavior.

A presentation to include panelists of local first responders, health and wellness experts, and school officials will follow from 6 to 8 p.m. Experts will discuss substance abuse (including vaping), mental health, recovery, and addiction prevention.

### **Embrace, Empower, Inspire Awards are Back**

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. [Click here to nominate](#) a current staff member.

### **Cool Tech Girls**

The City of Hilliard is inviting you to join Cool Tech Girls, a supportive and collaborative environment for school age girls to ignite their passion in science and technology through workshops and with role models!

“Technofashion” is an exciting STEM workshop happening in November, targeted to educate young girls through creative sewing projects that incorporate electronics! This



program will allow girls to self-explore sewable electronics and learn how to design and build a project. You can [click to register](#) and learn more.

## Board Community Conversations

To prepare all students without exception to be Ready for Tomorrow, we must create authentic partnerships with our community. We want to hear your ideas, thoughts, and opinions about how your schools should approach a changing landscape. That's why the Hilliard Board of Education created the Community Conversation Program. How we educate students is changing rapidly and community input is essential. These happen quarterly, and the next one is Tuesday, September 5 at 5:30 pm at the Hub. The conversation topic will be focused on Student Attendance. Please join us to share your voice.



## 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. 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 [Activity Calendar](#). In addition, the weekly [announcements](#) as well as 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