

Notes from the Principal

Dear Weaver Families,

THANK YOU to our Wildcat families for attending our Weaver Family Tailgate! We had a few hundred members of our WMS community come through - it was a great night at 4600 Avery Road. Thank you to our incredible WMS PTO for sponsoring the tailgate. If you would like to continue to support our PTO - please consider a donation to our <u>Give Now Campaign</u>. This money goes directly back to our students and staff - any amount can make a difference. We appreciate your continued support!

Thank you to our Wildcat families for your commitment to attendance! Please read this important message from Mr. Stewart.

Message from Mr. Stewart - Superintendent of Hilliard City Schools

I can't believe we are headed into October and already going full-speed. Those morning alarms might be getting a little tougher to turn off. Now is the time to find out if your children feel engaged in their classes and feel safe in their schools. While we focus on increasing attendance rates this year, it's important to keep those routines in place and keep a focus on showing up ready to learn on time each day.

Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day. Help your teen maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep. Try not to schedule dental and medical appointments during the school day. If your student is home sick or must miss a day, make sure they have asked teachers for resources and materials to make up for the classes.

You are your child's biggest advocate because you have the greatest hand in their future success. Help your child stay in the game and keep learning every day so they are challenged, prepared, and empowered for the future.

David Stewart - Superintendent

Lastly, we wanted to remind families of our Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences on Wednesday, October 4. <u>You can sign-up for a conference here.</u> As always, please reach out if there is anything we can do to help support your child at Weaver.

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

Katherine Hueter Principal

Parent-Teacher Conferences Next Week!

WMS Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held the evening of Wednesday, October 4th. Please use the link below to sign up for a conference with your student's teacher(s).

https://www.hilliardschools.org/wms/wms-conferences/

Suicide Prevention Month

We want our families to know that September is Suicide Prevention month; we want our Wildcats to always know they are never alone. The <u>Hope App</u> on the district iPad has numerous resources to get immediate help. In addition, another resource is the National Suicide Crisis Hotline - the number is 988 (call or text). Today and always, we want our Wildcats to know this message: You Matter.

Time to Check Home Access!

We appreciate your commitment and involvement in your student's education. As we approach Week 6, please log into Home Access Center to access current grades and attendance. 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!



Performing Arts

The Hilliard Youth Chorus

The Hilliard Youth Chorus is kicking off the 2023 - 2024 season in October, and we are excited to find singers who love to have fun making music, while sharing their voices with others.

This local choir, grade 2-8, will have a fall and spring session, each for approximately eight weeks. The culmination of each season will showcase singers in a few performances around the Hilliard area.

For more information or to register your student, please click on the links below.

HILLIARD YOUTH CHORUS PROMO PAGE

HILLIARD YOUTH CHORUS REGISTRATION PAGE

Spirit Night – Thursday, October 12th, 6-9pm at Graeter's in Hilliard!

Join us for an evening dedicated to supporting our middle school's talented young artists and the 678 Musical Boosters. The 678 Musical Boosters plays a vital role in managing and raising funds for our musical theater program, which will showcase two shows this year. Our 7th and 8th graders from across the district are set to dazzle you with "The Lion King" this November, while the 6th graders at Station have their own show planned for the spring.

Simply mention "Musical Boosters" at checkout or <u>show the attached flyer</u>, and 20% of your purchase will go directly to our program. Enjoy some delicious ice cream while making a difference for our aspiring performers. See you there!

Upcoming Weaver Concerts

October 9, 7 pm – Weaver Cadet Orchestra & Davidson Concert & Symphony Orchestra Concert @ HDV

October 10, 7 pm – WMS Concert 2 Orchestra, Concert 1 Orchestra & HDV Chamber B & Chamber A Orchestra Concert @ HDV

October 11, 8 pm - Tharp/Weaver Choir Concert @ WMS

October 12, 7 pm - WMS Band Concert @ HDV



Weaver Sports

Please visit our **Athletic Website** for information about Weaver sports.

Tickets for the 2023-2024 season will be sold and distributed in an electronic format. You can purchase a ticket from our box office by visiting our athletic website and clicking "Get Tickets."

Order the 23-24 Weaver Yearbook Online!

The 2023-2024 Weaver Middle School yearbook is on sale now, for the lowest price all year! Now through September 29th, you can get your WMS yearbook for just \$40! Click the link below to place your order today! Go cats!

WMS 23-24 Yearbook Order

Weaver PTO Halloween Social

Mark your calendars! The Halloween Social will be held Friday, October 27th from 5:00pm to 7:00pm at Weaver. More details coming soon!

General School Reminders:

- As a reminder, all visitors to the school (during the school day) need to report to the main office. We appreciate your support in our commitment to safety.
- 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.
- 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 <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.



Important Dates

Dates to Remember:

Monday, October 2, 6 pm
Wednesday, October 4
Friday, October 6
Friday, October 13
Friday, October 20
Wednesday, October 25, 4 pm
Friday, October 27, 5-7 pm
Tuesday, November 7
Waiver Day

Weaver PTO Meeting
WMS Parent-Teacher Conference Night
Kona Ice during student lunches
End of 1st Grading Period
No School – Central Ohio In-Service
Progress Reports available in Home Access
WMS Halloween Social
No School – Professional Learning



Hilliard Ranked #1 in Ohio on a Report Card Measure

As you have heard, the Ohio Department of Education recently released the Ohio School Report Cards for the 2022-23 school year. We're thrilled to share some exciting news about one of the components of the report card: Progress. The Progress Component is based 100% on the district's value-added score.

The value-added score is made up of two components: overall growth index and effect size. According to the Ohio Department of Education, Hilliard City Schools was ranked #1 out of 607 public school districts on the overall growth index and #15 out of 607 districts on effect size.

You can <u>click here to read</u> more about the ranking and what exactly this component means.



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: <u>weavermscats</u> 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