

Notes from the Principal

Dear Weaver Families,

Congratulations to our fall sports on a great athletic season! It was great to see our students in action. We hope you continue to stay involved throughout your Wildcat experience.

It is time for winter sports! Please check out try-out details/first practice on our Wildcat Athletics Website. Good luck to our Wildcats!

Our WMS Fall Social is next Friday, October 27 from 5-7 PM at

Weaver. Our incredible PTO will be sponsoring this event for our Wildcats. It is \$5 - this also includes pizza and drinks. We are encouraging students to wear costumes - no masks are allowed for safety reasons. (We must be able to easily identify students.) You can purchase a ticket during lunch on Friday or at the door. If you purchase at the door, you will need to bring your student ID.

As a reminder - Report Cards will be available for parent viewing in Home Access Center at 4:00 PM on Wednesday, October 25. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to a staff member for help or support. We are proud of the learning taking place in our academic spaces!

We hope our Wildcat families have a great 3-day weekend!

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

Katherine Hueter Principal

Morning Safety

With it getting darker in the mornings, please make sure to be extra aware of our students who are walkers/bike riders at WMS. In addition, we are asking students to be aware walking through our parking lots. Thank you for supporting our commitment to safety!

Blankets

If students bring blankets to school, they need to be stored in their locker or in their bookbag. In general, extra layers are encouraged instead of the blankets. This can become a safety hazard as students are walking around desks and could potentially trip on the blanket.



Weaver PTO Fall Social

The Fall Social is Friday, October 27th from 5-7 pm! Tickets are \$5 and will be sold that day during lunch - admission includes pizza, chips, cookies, water, unlimited trips through the Haunted Hallway, games, costume competition, and more! (Please bring an additional \$5 if you want to be included in the Pumpkin Decorating Contest – sold with tickets purchased during lunch only). Students are highly encouraged to wear costumes or spirit wear (costumes MUST adhere to school guidelines - no masks or weapons).

PTO needs your help with making this happen! Please check out the Sign-up Genius link below to view donation and volunteer opportunities. We also need scary decorations and costume donations for the Haunted Hallway! Please send in with your student or drop off in the WMS main office.

Thank you for your support!!

Sign up to help: 2023 Weaver Fall Social

WMS Ski & Board Club

The Weaver Ski & Board Club will be having an informational meeting on Monday, October 23rd at 7:00 pm in the Weaver commons. No experience is necessary! Come learn to ski or snowboard in a 6 week program starting in early January. Attending the meeting is not required, and more information will be available soon on the Weaver web site! See Mr. Banyots David Banyots@hboe.org with questions.



Athletics

Weaver Winter Sports Information

Please visit our <u>Athletic Website</u> for information about Weaver winter sports, including tryout times!

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."

Basketball Cheer Tryouts

WMS Basketball Cheer Tryouts will be on Tuesday Oct 24, Wednesday Oct 25, and Thursday Oct 26 from 4-7 in the Weaver gym! Wear all black with a bow the first day!



Order the 2023-2024 Weaver Middle School Yearbook

Now through December 29th, you can get your WMS yearbook for just \$43! Click the link below to place your order today! Go cats!

WMS 23-24 Yearbook Order

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:

Wednesday, October 25, 4 pm Friday, October 27, 5-7 pm **Tuesday, November 7 Waiver Day** Progress Reports available in Home Access WMS Fall Social

No School - Professional Learning

Attendance Update

Did you know that research shows that students with good attendance are more likely to:

- Achieve higher grades and test scores
- 2. Graduate from high school
- 3. Be accepted into college
- 4. Get good jobs
- 5. Earn higher salaries
- 6. Live healthier lives

In addition to academic benefits, regular attendance is also important for students' social and emotional development. When students are at school each day, they build stronger relationships which help them develop key skills outlined in our all-new Portrait of a Learner: skills like communication, teamwork and problem solving.

Please reach out to us if your child is showing a decreased interest in coming to school each day. We're here to help!

David Stewart, Superintendent

District News

Senior Earns Perfect Score on AP Test

Congratulations to Hilliard Davidson student Caleb McElheny's performance on the AP Computer Science Principles Exam in May 2023. His performance was so superior that it fell into a select category. Advanced Placement Exams are scored on a scale of 1 to 5. Caleb not only received the top score of 5 but was also one of only 459 students in the world to earn every point possible

on the exam, receiving the maximum score on each portion of the exam. We applaud Caleb's hard work and the teachers responsible for engaging students and enabling them to excel in college-level courses.

Military Information Fair

Students from all three high schools are invited to participate in a Military Information Fair being held at Davidson on November 9, from 9:30-11:30am. Students must sign up in Canvas. Those from Bradley and Darby will be bussed to Davidson for the event. There will be members of all branches of the military on hand to give students a better understand of the educational benefits of each branch. If you have questions you can reach out to the student's counselor.

We are Hilliard Story Telling Event

On November 4th, from 1:30 to 3:30, Hilliard City Schools and Create Happy Moments will host the We are Hilliard Storytelling event. Join us at JW Reason for this multilingual event to gather as a community to hear the stories of our neighbors. All ages are invited to participate in this program as we discuss our favorite memories and listen to the stories of the people in our community. All ages are welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Hilary Sloat@hboe.org

Exploring Super Electives For Parents of 6-11th Grade Students

Thinking college and career? Attend an upcoming coffee chat to learn more about the "super electives" your kids can take later in high school with Tolles, the ILC, and more. Options include engineering, business, healthcare (pharmacy, nursing, exercise science, veterinary), cybersecurity, art design, digital graphics, and more, including several senior-only programs. Two webinar dates to choose from. Click to register: November 6 at 6:30 pm or November 6 at 6:30 pm. All registrants receive the recording.



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 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: 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