



Notes from the Principal

Dear Weaver Families,

Thank you for another great week at WMS! As a reminder, **our report cards are now available in [Home Access](#)**. 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!

Our PTO is also hosting our WMS Social tonight from 5-7 PM. The event is \$5 - there will be a costume contest at the social. All costumes must be school appropriate and must follow our safety guidelines. Please see below for more details. We hope to see our Wildcats at this event!

Good luck to Davidson in their playoff game tonight! We will allow students to head to the Davidson football game starting at 6:30 PM. You can pick up your child to take them to the game or, if you feel comfortable, they can walk from Weaver. Please make sure to communicate these plans with your child. Please note that ticket prices are different for playoff games - please see the ticket information below. No regular season game passes will be accepted at the gate.

We ask that you please continue to have conversations about their behavior at the Davidson football games. When students attend these games - the expectation is to be in the stands, focused on cheering on the Wildcats. While Mr. Hunt and I are there to help support the Wildcats - student behavior should be monitored by parents/the adult they are attending the game with tonight. Moving forward, we will also be implementing a “sit zone” in the upper section and a “stand zone” in the lower section of the student section. As with every Football Friday Night, Hilliard Police will help enforce these expectations at the game.

Reminder - this is a community event but it is still on school grounds. Students not representing the Wildcat Way will be removed from the game and the school will follow up with consequences. As always, our goal is to continue to keep the game a safe place for the entire Wildcat community. Let's make it a great night cheering on the Wildcats!

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

Attendance Tips

It's almost that time of year again: time to turn back the clocks by one hour. The end of daylight saving time will take place Sunday, Nov. 5, at 2 a.m.

While most welcome the extra hour of sleep, this change can impact students (and adult's) sleep habits, routines, and more, so here are a few tips to help your child (and you) adjust.

- **Adjust sleep patterns.** At least a week before the time change, gradually adjust bedtime toward the new time. For example, your child can stay up a little later and stay in bed a little longer in the morning.
- **Limit screen time before bed.** This includes cellphones, computers and TV.
- **Don't eat a big meal or caffeinated drinks too close to bedtime.** This can affect digestion and therefore your quality of sleep.
- **No exercising at least three hours before going to bed.** This can disrupt your heart rate and leave you dehydrated.
- **Know how much sleep is needed.** The National Sleep Foundation recommends the following sleep amounts based on age:
 - Preschoolers (3-5): 10-13 hours
 - School-age children (6-13): 9-11 hours
 - Teenagers (14-17): 8-10 hours
 - Young adults (18-25): 7-9 hours

Most people adjust to the time change in 1-2 weeks. Our attendance has continued to improve over last year. Thank you for your continued partnership in making sure your child is in school and actively engaged each day.

OHSAA Playoff Ticket Reminders:

- Davidson is hosting Grove City at 7:00 PM tonight.
- There are **NO PASSES for OHSAA tournament games of any type.** Senior Citizen passes and/or Staff passes will not be accepted. This is not our policy, it is OHSAA policy and we do not get any of the money for these games at all. Cost of game tickets is as follows: **\$12.00 for adult tickets, \$9.00 for student tickets if purchased ahead of time and**

online. If anyone waits to buy a ticket at the game/gate, it will be **\$15.00 for all tickets at the gate.** There is a large incentive to purchase tickets online and ahead of time, especially for students.

- You can find the ticket link on the OHSAA website. <https://www.ohsaa.org/tickets> Just click on the football icon and then look for our game. **We are Division I, Region 3.** You will see 8 games in this region, just look for the Davidson v. Grove City game and then click on get tickets.

Fall Social – Tonight!

The Fall Social is tonight, Friday, October 27th, from 5-7 pm! If you didn't purchase tickets during lunch today, tickets are \$5 at the door (bring your student ID) - admission includes pizza, chips, cookies, water, unlimited trips through the Haunted Hallway, games, costume competition, and more! Students are highly encouraged to wear costumes or spirit wear (costumes **MUST** adhere to school guidelines - no masks or look-alike weapons).

Volunteers are still needed for tonight!! Please check out the Sign-up Genius link below to view donation and volunteer opportunities.

Thank you for your support!!

Sign up to help: [2023 Weaver Fall Social](#)

WMS Music Program Spirit Wear

Support the Weaver Music programs by purchasing spirit wear! Great holiday gift ideas for your student...and those parents and grandparents cheering them on! Last day to order is November 6th and items will be delivered at your program's December concert.

Band: https://jupiter.areswear.com/store/?storeName=Weaver_Band_Spiritwear_Store_2023

Choir: https://jupiter.areswear.com/store/?storeName=Weaver_MS_Chair_Store_2023

Orchestra: https://jupiter.areswear.com/store/?storeName=Weaver_MS_Orchestra_Store_2023

Weaver Ski & Board Club

The Weaver Ski & Board Club is now working on gathering its members! Full details of the club are available here: <https://rebrand.ly/wmssbc2024>. No experience is necessary! Come learn to ski or snowboard in a 6 week program starting in early January. See Mr. Banyots David_Banyots@hboe.org with questions.

Attention all 7th grade students!

The 8th grade just got back from a great trip to Washington DC which means that your DC trip is next! We will start planning in the Spring for your October 2024 trip. This year's trip cost was \$785. The cost of next year's trip will be the same or slightly higher. This is a large amount. However, if you start saving \$65 per month now, you will have the \$785 by next year's 8th grade trip in October. Please contact Mrs. Schultz or Miss Emmons with any questions.



Athletics

Weaver Winter Sports Information

Please visit our [Athletic Website](#) 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.”



Daily Announcements

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.
- 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!
- 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 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.
- 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.



Important Dates

Dates to Remember:

Friday, October 27, 5-7 pm	WMS Fall Social
Friday, November 3	Kona Ice during student lunches
Tuesday, November 7	No School – Professional Learning Waiver Day
Wed-Fri, Nov. 22 – 24	No School – Thanksgiving break



District News

Parent Voice in Curriculum

The Hilliard City School District's Curriculum Department is in the midst of a multi-year curriculum revision cycle for several content areas. An important part of this process is seeking input from our parents on what is important to them in each content area. The next content area that a district committee will revise is 6-12 Mathematics. If you are interested in providing feedback in regards to your child's Math curriculum, please click [this link](#) and respond to a brief, two question survey. Thank you for your consideration.

Senior Reading Program Seeks Volunteers

The City of Hilliard Senior Center and Hilliard City School District are on the lookout for dedicated volunteers to join the Back to School Volunteer Program.

Launching for the first time this fall, the Back to School Volunteer Program pairs local seniors with elementary school students to share the joys of reading and create meaningful connections. The program is expected to improve literacy rates, create bonds that transcend generations, and provide meaningful volunteer opportunities to those ages 55 and up.

[Click here](#) for more information and to sign up.

Hack-a-thon at The Hub

High School:I/O is a one-day hackathon for **high schoolers** hosted by [OHI/O](#), Ohio State University's hackathon program. This event on November 18 aims to provide high school students with an opportunity to learn about computer science in a fun, engaging, and inclusive environment. It is a wonderful resume builder. No programming or coding experience is required but could be beneficial. All high school students are welcome to participate.

Meet and work with other passionate, fun and creative students to build real technology projects. There will also be the opportunity to develop new friendships, build connections with professional mentors, and learn soft skills for success in the real world. Students will be able to earn prizes for their solutions. Lunch and dinner are provided. The event is free of cost for participants! [Register Today!](#)



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 or follow the district Twitter feed at www.twitter.com/HilliardSchools

Visit the [Flyers Connections Page](#) to find information on a variety of community resources