

Notes from the Principal

Dear Weaver Families,

Thank you to our Wildcat families that attended our Winter Conferences! Today and always, we appreciate your support and partnership. As a reminder, the end of the quarter is March 8. Please do not hesitate to reach out to a staff member for any help or support.

A shout-out to our students who competed in the Pickleball tournament this week! This club was created from student interest - we love seeing our students get involved and make connections at WMS. Also, good luck to our music programs on their winter concerts starting next week. Without a doubt, our students have been working hard in the classroom!

Today, members of our school team went to Tharp to kickoff 6th into 7th scheduling. It seems like yesterday we were sharing this message with our current 7th grade students. It is incredible to see how much they have grown since last year! It is also hard to believe that we have completed 110 days of school already - it is important to make these remaining days count. We believe in our Wildcats!

As we move through the second half of this school year, we want to emphasize the importance of our students being Self Advocates, a key trait in our Portrait of a Learner. This means students recognize the importance of physical, mental, social-emotional, and digital wellness and that they can build a healthy self-image and self-esteem that allows them to pursue their individual goals.

Regular attendance is an essential part of this journey. <u>Check out this video</u>, where Samuel Davis, an executive business consultant and parent shares how these skills apply to all career pathways. Thank you for supporting your child's regular attendance.

As a reminder, Friday (2/16) and Monday (2/19) we will not have school. We hope all of our Wildcat families enjoy the long weekend!

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

Katherine Hueter Principal

Order Your 23-24 Weaver Yearbook!

Now through February 23rd, you can get your WMS yearbook for just \$45! Click the link below to place your order today! Go cats!

WMS 23-24 Yearbook Order



Weaver Spring Sports Information-Important Updates!

Hello all Weaver families and athletes getting ready for spring sports. Please click on the link below to find out all of your information for spring sports at Weaver MS.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZK6H7_BG61KAyxdef7DCOGkmWMRxPYSp pmfKfQQDhIM/edit?usp=sharing

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."



Performing Arts

Upcoming Weaver Concerts:

Thursday, February 22, 7:00 pm – Weaver Blue, White & Cadet Band Concert at Davidson HS

Tuesday, February 27, 7:00 pm – Tharp Orchestra & Weaver Concert Orchestra 2 Concert at Davidson HS

Wednesday, March 6, 7:00 pm – Weaver 7th Grade Treble Choir & Weaver Cadet Orchestra Concert at Weaver MS

Thursday, March 7, 7:00 pm – Grades 6-12 Percussion Concert (Band) at Davidson HS



Next PTO Meeting

Please join us for our next PTO meeting on Monday, March 4th, 6:00 pm at WMS. Future PTO Meetings are at 6:00 pm at Weaver on the following dates:

- April 8th
- May 6th

New Online Spirit Wear Store!

Weaver MS PTO has launched an official online spirit wear store! Choose from hundreds of designs and garments that are delivered to your home in days! To celebrate the grand opening, use code **SPIRIT213** to receive 25% off and get free shipping on orders over \$60. Shop at https://lstplace.sale/73953.

The current PTO Spirit Wear Online Store is almost sold out but you can still order while supplies last! Click the following link to order: https://weaver-middle-school.square.site/

Help PTO Update the Courtyard

Are you a Weaver family member who has experience in masonry, gardening, or landscape architecture? Our PTO is looking for volunteers to help with the planning and implementation of updating the Weaver Courtyard (the enclosed, outdoor space next to the cafeteria). If interested, please send your contact info to hilliardwmspto@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!



2024-2025 - Next Year Scheduling Information

You can find information about planning for next school year on our website's Scheduling & Registration page: https://www.hilliardschools.org/wms/scheduling-and-registration-info/

Scheduling meetings for Parents to learn about scheduling their student's next year's classes will be held on the following dates:

7th into 8th Grade: As we are looking ahead to the secondary experience, our district has created an <u>8th Grade Scheduling Genially Presentation</u> to support our families.

Mrs. Abele was in classrooms last week to help support your child with the scheduling process. They went through a detailed overview of the scheduling process and identified their course requests for 24-25. Our students will be able to reference these selections and make updates throughout the scheduling window.

6th Grade students going into 7th Grade: Tuesday, February 20, 6:30 pm in the Commons at Weaver Middle School.

Note: These meetings are for **parents only** as counselors will be giving students the same information during the school day. If you are unable to attend, this information will be posted to our <u>website</u> for each grade.

A Message from the Innovation Campus:

Hello, families! As we begin the scheduling season, we would like to share with you some information about the Innovation Campus. We are excited to offer classes that complement the wonderful things going on at the home buildings and look forward to helping your student schedule for next year. Please take a moment to check out this link to view videos about our specific course offerings. We look forward to seeing you at the Innovation Campus during the 2024/2025 school year!

Middle School College Planning Meeting

There is a Middle School College Planning meeting on April 16, 6:30pm at Bradley High School to go over the college process and what students can begin to do when they get to high school. It will also cover high school and college terminology so families have a better understanding of the process.

Mental Health Crisis Helplines

Help is always available! Click the link below for information on crisis helplines translated into several different languages.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1R QriacAwwsTSXZPjpbcwqNQAf1MpMR1/view?us p=sharing

State Testing Information

In March, we will begin our State Testing. Students have been working hard all year and are ready to "show what they know" on these assessments. Please note that we will be on an <u>adjusted schedule</u> these days. You can learn more about these Ohio State Tests below:

Weaver Middle School will be administering State Testing on the following dates:

Tuesday, March 26th $\,$ - ELA Part 1 (7th and 8th grade)

Wednesday, March 27th - ELA Part 2 (7th and 8th grade)

Wednesday, April 17th - Science Part 1 and 2 (8th grade only)

Wednesday, April 24th - Math Part 1 (7th and 8th grade)

Thursday, April 25th - Math Part 2 (7th and 8th grade)

Testing will take place from 7:55 - 10:13 am on these days and students will follow an adjusted bell schedule once testing is complete each day. Please make sure that your child is well rested, has a good breakfast and arrives to school on-time. Students should also make sure their iPads are completely charged when they arrive at school on testing days.

If possible, please try to avoid scheduling any appointments or other planned absences on these testing dates. Students who are absent will make up the tests on a later date.

Get Involved at Weaver!

There are many ways for students to get involved at Weaver, including clubs & activities. Check our website for more information: Extra-Curricular Activities – Hilliard Weaver Middle School (hilliardschools.org)

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.
- 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, February 16

Monday, February 19

Tuesday, February 20, 6:30 pm

Thursday, February 22, 7 pm

No School

No School - Presidents Day

 6^{th} into 7^{th} Grade Scheduling Parent Mtg @ WMS

WMS Blue, White & Cadet Band Concert at HDV

Tuesday, February 27, 7 pm Tharp Orchestra & WMS Concert Orchestra 2

Concert at HDV

Monday, March 4, 6 pm Weaver PTO Meeting

Wednesday, March 6, 7 pm WMS 7th Gr. Treble Choir & WMS Cadet Orchestra

Concert at Weaver MS

Thursday, March 7, 7 pm Grades 6-12 Percussion Concert (Band) @HDV

Friday, March 8 End of Grading Period

Tuesday, March 19 No School – Professional Learning Day

Wednesday, March 20, 7 pm Weaver Spring Play
Thursday, March 21, 7 pm Weaver Spring Play

Tuesday, March 26 State Testing: ELA Part 1 (7th & 8th grade)
Wednesday, March 27 State Testing: ELA Part 2 (7th & 8th grade)

March 29 – April 5 No School – Spring Break

Monday, April 8 No School – Solar Eclipse

Wednesday, April 10 No School

Wednesday, April 17 State Testing: Science Part 1 & 2 (8th grade only)

Wednesday, April 24 State Testing: Math Part 1 (7th & 8th grade)

Thursday, April 25 State Testing: Math Part 2 (7th & 8th grade)



District News

We are Hilliard - District Culture Night

Hilliard has a beautiful community of many languages and cultures. Join us on February 24 from 5:30 - 8:30 pm at Davidson High School for Culture Night. All ages are invited for conversation, snacks, games, a talent show, and a community art project. The goal of this multilingual event is to

share and learn about the customs, joyful moments, and stories that make Hilliard amazing. If you have any questions, please contact Hilary Sloat@hboe.org

Hilliard Education Foundation - Denim and Diamonds Tickets

Tickets are now on sale for the Hilliard Education Foundation annual Denim and Diamonds event on Friday, March 8, from 7-11 pm at the Heritage Golf Club. Regular tickets include hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, DJ and dancing. New for 2024 is the Bourbon and Bubbles Experience! This limited-availability ticket allows guests one-hour early entry to Denim & Diamonds, five tastings of either bourbon or champagne and one exclusive appetizer.

Purchase Tickets HERE



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 <u>website</u>. Follow Weaver Twitter feed at <u>@wmscats</u>, on Instagram: <u>weavermscats</u> and like us on <u>Facebook</u>.

• **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