



Dear Weaver Families,

We are looking forward to an exciting week at WMS! Please see the information below for important details about next week:

On **Tuesday**, **August 12**, **our doors will be open from 8-11 AM and from 12-3 PM for our CAT Day sessions.** During our CAT Day, students are able to get their iPad, try out their lockers, and walk the building to find their classes. In addition, PTO will be selling spirit wear! We are looking forward to seeing many of our Wildcats back at WMS on Monday!

We know our students are excited about seeing their schedule for next year! For your reference, schedules will go live on Home Access at 8 AM (at the start of our CAT Days) on Tuesday.

In addition, we are excited to have former WMS students, and current Davidson High School students, help welcome and assist our Wildcats during CAT Day sessions. They will be a great resource to help with finding classrooms and answer any questions. We are proud of our #WildcatWay connection!

We also would like to **welcome our families back for our Open House / Meet and Greet on Wednesday, August 13.** In addition to CAT Day - we are hosting a back-to-school kickoff event. Thank you to our amazing PTO for their hard work and for organizing this event for our Wildcat families! The Open House/Meet & Greet will give students and parents/guardians an opportunity to tour Weaver, visit classrooms,

and meet the WMS Staff. There will also be music, food trucks, spirit wear, and more. We hope you can join us to kick-off the 25-26 school year at WMS!

For incoming **7th grade students and our students who are new to Weaver** - we will hold an informational meeting during our Open House (8/13) at 6:30 PM. Our goal is to help answer general questions and, more importantly, formally welcome you to Weaver Middle School. We hope you can join us!

In 1994, Weaver opened its doors for the first time. Every single year since, there has been a rich tradition of providing exceptional experiences. We are excited for the Class of 2030 and 2031 to continue to make their impact on the #Wildcat Way.

As we prepare for next year, please see the important communication about cell phones in the classroom:

District Cell Phone Policy Reminder

Dear Families,

This summer, the Board of Education adopted a new policy limiting student cell phone use during the school day. The goal of Policy <u>JFCK</u> is to support student learning, reduce classroom distractions, and promote well-being.

At the secondary level, student phone use will be significantly limited during the school day. Each school has developed procedures, shared in the student handbook, that outline when and where phones may be used. In most cases, phones must be kept away and silenced during instructional time unless a staff member allows their use for a specific learning activity.

Phones may also be used if they are part of a documented health or learning plan (such as an IEP or 504).

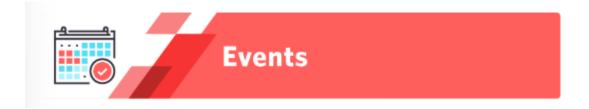
Please note the district is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged phones or electronic devices.

We're grateful for your support as we work to create a focused, respectful school environment. If you have questions about how this will look at your student's school, please contact the main office.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions. We are always here to help!

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

Katherine Hueter Principal



CAT DAY - TUESDAY, 8/12!!

Weaver CAT Day times for the 2025-2026 school year are scheduled for **Tuesday**, **August 12**th **from 8-11 AM and 12-3 PM**. This is an opportunity for students to pick up their iPads, try out their lockers and walk through the building to find their classes. (Parents are not required to be present for students to pick up their iPad).

OPEN HOUSE & NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION – WEDNESDAY, 8/13!!

Weaver will be having both our Open House and New Student Orientation on **Wednesday**, **August 13**th, **5-7 PM**

Our Open House/Meet & Greet will give students and parents/guardians an opportunity to visit classrooms and meet their teachers from 5-7 PM. There will also be music, food trucks, spirit wear, and more!

Our New Student Orientation will be in the main gym at 6:30 PM. At this meeting we will share information and details about the middle school experience with our incoming 7th grade students and 8th grade students who are new to Weaver. Students and parents/guardians are invited to attend this informative meeting.

*Please note that iPad pick up will not be available during Open House or New Student Orientation so please plan to also attend Weaver's CAT Day. Students unable to pick up iPads before school will receive their iPad on the first day of school.

Picture Day – August 22

Individual student pictures will be taken during school the morning of Friday, August 22nd. These photos are for the yearbook as well as student ID's so all students will be photographed, even if not purchasing pictures.

Watch the mail for a flyer from HR Imaging that contains all the information needed for picture day! Extra order envelopes will be available in the main office closer to picture day. We will have a make-up picture day in September.



WMS School Supplies

These items are recommended (not required)

Three-ring binder with dividers & notebook paper

Pens & Pencils Optional: Stylus

Band: 1" Binder with 25 plastic top-load sheet protectors (required)

Orchestra: 1" Binder (required)

(Teachers will communicate any specific needs for courses in the first few weeks of class)

WMS has a number of backpacks containing school supplies donated by community partners that are available to any student who needs one, while supplies last. Please reach out to our guidance office if you would like to request one.

8th Grade Washington, DC Trip

The 8th Grade Washington, DC Trip is scheduled for **October 13-16**, **2025**. The three Hilliard Middle Schools will be traveling during the same timeframe.

A non-refundable deposit of \$150 per student was due to Prodigy Student Travel by, April 25, 2025, <u>however</u>, <u>you may still make this deposit and register your student for the trip.</u>

Please see the links below and visit the <u>Washington</u>, <u>DC Trip webpage on our Weaver</u> <u>Website</u> for the most up-to-date information.

Our Washington DC Coordinators are Meghan Schultz (<u>Meghan Schultz@hboe.org</u>) and Cathy Emmons (<u>Cathleen Emmons@hboe.org</u>). They are a great resource for any questions!

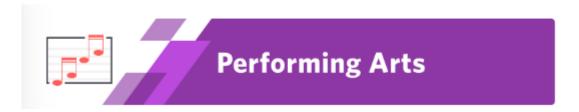
Weaver MS – GDC Parent Letter 2025 Weaver MS – GDC Trip Itinerary 2025 Weaver MS – GDC Trip Passcode 2025



2025 Hilliard Davidson Girls Volleyball 8/16 Youth Clinic

This youth clinic will take place in the Main Gym at Hilliard Davidson HS on August 16th, 2025, from 10am-12:30pm. The cost will be \$25 per child. Please click the link below for more details and how to register:

HDV GVB 8/16 Youth Clinic Sign Up Sheet



AUDITIONS!!

Auditions for the combined Hilliard Middle Schools (Heritage, Memorial and Weaver) fall production of $Frozen\ Jr$.

When: September 9th, 3PM - 5:30PM

Where: Hilliard Station Auditorium

Must PRE-REGISTER before auditions!

Find what to prepare, dates, and all information on the <u>WMS theater website</u>.

<u>Frozen Audition Poster - Weaver</u>



PTO Update

The PTO would like to welcome everyone back to school for the 2025-2026 school year! We look forward to meeting you at the CAT Day and Open House. We will be providing an opportunity to purchase school spirit wear at both events. Look for our table in the front hallway. Stop by and learn more about PTO, upcoming events and the many opportunities to get involved as a volunteer or a donor throughout the year!!

We have also organized 3 food trucks to be here for Open House. Plan to shop our spirit wear sale and have dinner at the food trucks during Open House.

Our officers this year include:

President: Donna Federspiel

Vice-President: Lea Leneskie-Kotte

Treasurer: Amanda Joseph Secretary: Kelly Bolin IPTO: Angela Howe

Fundraising: Lauren Halton

Our email address is: Hilliardwmspto@gmail.com

Facebook at Hilliard Weaver Middle School PTO Instagram @hilliardweavermiddleschoolpto

We look forward to meeting you!



Dates to Remember:

Tuesday, August 12, 8-11 AM & 12-3 PM

Wednesday, August 13, 5 – 7:00 PM

Wednesday, August 13, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, August 20

Friday, August 22

Monday, September 1

WMS CAT DAY

Open House

New Student Orientation

First Day of School

Picture Day

Labor Day – No School



Hilliard City Schools has officially switched to ParentSquare as our new district communication platform. Families who previously used the SchoolMessenger App can now delete it—ParentSquare will handle all district and school notifications in one easy-to-use system. ParentSquare will also be where you report student absences and see attendance information!

Families can now download the ParentSquare app (iOS or Android) for quick access to updates, alerts, and messages.

Click here to get started.

Back-to-School Information

We are just a couple weeks out from our fist day of school. Check your school's webpage for event dates, times, and supply lists. If your student needs a backpack or school supplies, please contact your school counselors in early August—we have many generous community partners donating supplies to help students start the year ready to learn.

Please also take time now to complete some important tasks in the <u>Home Access Center</u> (HAC). It's important that we have your **primary phone number and email address** updated. This contact information will be used by both the district and your child's school for important announcements and emergency notifications.

While you're logged in, you can also:

- Review and sign the Student Handbook
- Purchase the Technology Protection Plan via My Payments Plus

Helpful Links:

View the Technology Protection Plan

To enroll/purchase via My Payments Plus click here.

How to update Registration Information/Contacts and more in HomeAccess

New Cafeteria Payment System

Hilliard City Schools is upgrading the system we use in our school cafeterias. This change will help families better manage their child's meal account.

Because of this upgrade, parents will need to **set up new automatic payment options** through the MyPaymentsPlus website. Any deposits made using the old setup will not go into your child's meal account.

Step-by-step instructions are available on the district website to help you set up your payment options.

Please note: MyPaymentsPlus.com is run by a company called Horizon Software. If you have trouble using the website, the Hilliard Food Service Office won't be able to assist. Instead, please use the help and support tools found directly on the **MyPaymentsPlus** website.

First Time Riders - All Aboard

Join the Hilliard Transportation team on Saturday, August 9 in the Davidson High School parking lot for a special event your new student won't want to miss!

From 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, your little one can hop on a school bus for the very first time and learn all about bus safety in a fun, friendly setting.

There will be interactive activities, hands-on learning, and plenty of fun for the whole family! It's the perfect way to ease those first-day jitters and get excited for the new school year. We can't wait to see you there!

Common App Camp

We will be hosting Common App Camps for seniors to help them get ready for college applications.

Students can secure their seat using this Sign-Up Genius link. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C44A4A929AAFD0-57436062-common

All Common App Camps will be held at the Hub

Aug. 6 - 9:00-10:30, 1:00-2:30

Aug. 7 - 9:00-10:30, 1:00-2:30

Aug. 8 - 9:00-10:30, 1:00-2:30

Aug. 11 - 9:00-10:30

Aug. 12 - 1:00-2:30

Aug. 13 - 1:00-2:30

Aug. 14 - 9:00-10:30, 1:00-2:30

Aug. 18 - 3:00-4:30

Aug. 21 - 3:00-4:30

All students need to bring a charged iPad or device.

Navy Week Event in Columbus

The National Veterans Memorial Museum is hosting an event during Navy Week - the Navy's signature outreach initiative, that brings 50 to 60 Sailors to Columbus to engage with the community through a dynamic schedule of performances, educational outreach and community service projects.

In partnership with the Columbus Air Show, they are hosting "An Evening with the U.S. Navy Blue Angels" on Friday, August 22, 2025. This special evening includes a meet and greet with members of the Blue Angels team along with the chance to explore the museum's exhibits and a special display by the Naval History and Heritage Command.

Event Details:

Date: Friday, August 22, 2025

Doors Open: 5:30 p.m. | Program: 7:00 p.m. (on the rooftop)

↑ Location: National Veterans Memorial and Museum, 300 W Broad Street, Columbus, OH

© Cost: FREE with advance registration

Register Here: my.nationalvmm.org/aneveningwith/blueangels

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. Please visit our website to update your address: https://www.hilliardschools.org/residency-update/
- To keep up with activities and events at Weaver, please check our <u>Activity Calendar</u>. In addition, the weekly <u>Weaver Wire</u> will be posted on the Weaver <u>website</u>. Follow Weaver on Instagram: <u>weavermscats</u>, X: <u>@WMSCats</u>, and like us on <u>Facebook</u>.
- Hilliard City School District Like us on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/HilliardSchools</u>
- Visit the <u>Flyers Connections Page</u> to find information on a variety of community resources.