



Dear Weaver Families,

Thank you for an incredible first week at Weaver Middle School! It was full of great opportunities for learning and getting to know our Wildcats.

Today, we shared our expectations through class meetings. We share these expectations because we want all 900+ of our Wildcats to have the best school year yet. Through class meetings, our staff introduced an important part of our school culture: The Wildcat Way. We also shared this message: Be the best version of YOU (as a learner, a leader, and person). We are proud to have our students representing WMS in their daily interactions.

In addition to prioritizing safety and respect at our school, we also emphasize the importance of learning. To help create the best learning environment for our students, we have a "no cell phone rule" during academic time. Cell phones are to be stored away in bookbags during academic time. We appreciate your help in reminding students of the importance of this expectation.

We also wrapped up #HCSD3 with a "Proud to be a Wildcat" Pep Rally. Our 8th grade students did an excellent job welcoming our 7th grade students. In addition, a special THANK YOU to Davidson High School students, cheerleaders, and drumline who emphasized and highlighted the Wildcat experience. Today and always, we are proud of the #WildcatWay!

Being involved is important at our school. We will continue to share and highlight clubs, but you can begin to see what we offer on our school website.

Next week, we continue the great work that has started for the 25-26 school year. WMS will also be full of multiple athletic events - good luck to our athletes in action next

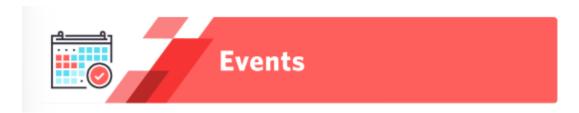
week! Also, good luck to the Davidson Wildcats who kick off their season in Mansfield this Friday. We are excited to have Football Friday Nights back in our community. When we get closer to the first home game, we will share our expectations for our students and fans at this event.

As we look ahead on the calendar, please save the date for our Weaver Family Tailgate (9/26) sponsored by our incredible PTO. It would be great to see our Wildcat families at this event!

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out if there is anything that we can do to help support your student at WMS. We are always here to help.

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

Katherine Hueter Principal



8th Grade Washington, DC Trip

The 8th Grade Washington, DC Trip is scheduled for **October 13-16**, **2025**. Students must be signed up for the trip and have an account balance no greater than \$175 by 7:50 AM on Tuesday, August 26 in order to receive a roommate selection form that day.

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

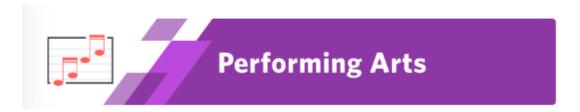
Picture Make-up/Retake Day – September 25

Picture Make-up/Re-take day will be the morning of Thursday, September 25th for students who missed picture day or who need to have a picture retake. If you missed ordering pictures on picture day, you can go to shop.hrimaging.com to order a picture package.

General School Reminders:

- To sign out your student early for an appointment or early dismissal, you will need to scan your Driver's License or state-issued ID using our School Safe ID kiosk in the main office, so please plan to **bring your ID into the office with you when you arrive.**
- All visitors and volunteers to our school (during the school day) will also be required to check in at our School Safe ID kiosk in the main office using a driver's license or state-issued ID.
- WMS has 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.
- 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.). Parents are permitted to drop off lunches for students in the main office.
- 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.
- To avoid spills and keep our building clean, we ask that students only have water in our academic spaces.



AUDITIONS!!

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

When: September 9th, 3PM

Where: Hilliard Station Auditorium

Must PRE-REGISTER before auditions!

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

Frozen Audition Poster - Weaver

The Hilliard 678 Musical Boosters have scholarships available for registration fees. Please contact Jennifer LuPiba, President, at Jennifer.LuPiba@gmail.com. Interested in getting involved in the Boosters? Let us know here!



Happy first week back to school! In an effort not to add to the chaos this week brings, we are keeping it nice and short!

- Please complete this Sign-up Genius to share your contact information to be on our email list of volunteers to possibly serve at PTO events such as Fall Tailgate and Fall Social. We would love to have you join us! **Sign-Up To Volunteer**
- Our Spirit Wear sale was a great hit this week. It's not too late to order from our official spirit wear vendor. They offer frequent sales and fast shipping. Spirit
 Wear Sale
- Please feel free to contact us at <u>hilliardwmspto@gmail.com</u>
- Follow us on Instagram: <u>instagram.com/hilliardweavermiddleschoolpto</u>
- Like us on Facebook: <u>facebook.com/hilliardweavermiddleschoolpto</u>

Dates to Save:

- Next PTO Meeting: September 8 at 7:00 pm for anyone interested in attending
- Fall Tailgate: September 26 6:00 8:00pm for all students and families
- Fall Social: October 24 6:00 8:00 pm for all Weaver students

We look forward to partnering with you during the 2025-2026 school year.



Dates to Remember:

Friday, August 29

Monday, September 1

Monday, September 8, 7 PM

Friday, September 12

Thursday, September 25

Friday, September 26, 6-8 PM

Kona Ice during student lunches

Labor Day - No School

WMS PTO Meeting

Smoothie King during student lunches

Picture Make-up/Retake Day

Fall Tailgate



How the ParentSquare App Can Help with School to Home Communication

Staying connected is more important than ever, and we want to make it as easy as possible for you to get the information you need. That's why we're so happy to be fully active with our new communication platform, **ParentSquare**!

ParentSquare allows you to get updates from the school district, your child's school, and their teachers all in one convenient place. Since we launched in July, we've seen fantastic participation, with nearly all families receiving our emails.

- 99.6% of parents/guardians now receive emails from the district
- 3% have turn on text messaging
- 46% parents/guardians have installed the app on their phone or device and are receiving app notifications

Did You Know You Can Personalize Your Notifications? With ParentSquare, you're in control of how you receive messages. You can choose to get updates via email, text message, and/or app notification. If you love receiving emails, you're all set! If you'd like to get more out of the platform and enable text or app notifications, it's simple:

- 1. Download the ParentSquare app or <u>log in on the website</u> using the email address where you currently receive district email messages.
- 2. Navigate to your Account Settings and then Notifications. Here, you can customize your preferences and even choose to receive a daily digest of messages each evening around 6 PM.

Important: Urgent alerts, such as emergency closings, will always be sent instantly to ensure you have the information you need right away.

Transportation Reminder

Families, thank you for your patience during these first weeks of school. Our drivers are taking extra time to learn their routes, get to know students, and take attendance as they board. This may cause some slight delays, but safety is always our top priority. We appreciate your understanding as our drivers and students settle into routines.

Reporting Absences with ParentSquare

This year, families should use **ParentSquare** to quickly and easily report any student absence—whether it's for a sick day, doctor appointment, or other reason. Please let us know in advance whenever possible using one of these options:

- ParentSquare App Download the app and create your account using the email listed in Home Access Center.
- **Website** Visit <u>www.parentsquare.com/signin</u> and create your account with the email listed in Home Access Center.
- Phone Call your school's attendance office.

Click here to get started with ParentSquare.



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 www.facebook.com/HilliardSchools
- Visit the <u>Flyers Connections Page</u> to find information on a variety of community resources.