

August 9, 2024

Wildcat Families,

August can feel like a whirlwind with all the preparations needed to get ready for the new school year. From gathering supplies to adjusting schedules, this time of year can be both exciting and overwhelming. We want you to know that you are not alone. Take a deep breath, and remember, we are in this together.

We understand that the transition back to school can bring a mix of emotions, from anticipation to nervousness. Please know that we are here to support you and your family every step of the way. Whether you have questions about the first day, need assistance with school supplies or simply want to talk through any concerns, our doors are always open.

We hope you have an amazing weekend soaking in the sun and spending time with family and friends!

See you soon!

Erin and Brian

### **Building Information**

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**Wilson Fall Musical: MOANA**

We are excited that our Wilson students have the opportunity to participate in the production of *Moana* this year. Please see the flyer below for more details.

[FLYER](#)

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### **Back to School Bash**

We will host our Back to School Bash on Tuesday, August 20 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. This is a great opportunity for families to visit classrooms, socialize with friends and drop off any school supplies. This is an open house format, so please visit whenever your schedule permits.

A change this year is that we will not have grade level teacher information nights for grades 1-6. Over the last few years the nights have been poorly attended and the information provided could easily be shared in another format. Instead, our teachers will share specific information about classroom expectations, communication, curriculum and other pertinent information for you.

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### **New Family Orientation**

If your family is new to Wilson (this doesn't include our kindergarten families), we will have a brief new family orientation on August 20 from 6:30 to 7:00 pm in the Wilson iLab. During this orientation, our new students will have a short activity and an opportunity to tour the building with our School Counselor and our Sixth Grade Ambassadors while our new families learn more about Wilson.

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## **School Supplies**

Many families will drop off school supplies on the night of the Back to School Bash so their children do not have to carry a heavy backpack on the first day. Here is a link to the supply lists for all of the grade levels. [24-25 School Supply List](#)

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## **Incoming Kindergarten Screenings**

We will have our Kindergarten screenings for all new Kindergarten students on Tuesday, August 13 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.

A separate communication went out to our kindergarten families last week with information pertinent to kindergarten and how to schedule a kindergarten screening.

If you did not receive this communication, please reach out to Lynn Augenstein, Administrative Assistant ([lynnaugenstein@foresthills.edu](mailto:lynnaugenstein@foresthills.edu)).

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## **Medication Drop-Off for the 24-25 School Year**

If your child will require medication during the school day, a new medication permission form must be completed each school year. Each medication requires a separate form.

[Medication Permission Form](#)

Rachel Moller, our Health Aide, will be at Wilson on August 20 and August 21 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am and from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm if you would like to drop off your child's medication.

Mrs. Moller will also be available from 4:30 to 6:15 pm at our Back to School Bash on August 20.

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### **Extended Support Classrooms at Wilson**

We have several new team members of special education providers who will be supporting our expanded Extended Support Classrooms this year. Two classrooms have been added to Wilson. These classrooms are designed to support the district's continuum of services in special education. These are district classrooms, serving students from three of our six elementary buildings.

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### **Restaurant Nights**

Join us for dinner and support of the Wilson PTO. Don't forget to mention WILSON!

- Wed. August 28: Gold Star / Tom & Chee @ Beechmont
  - Mon. September 9: Buffalo Wild Wings @ Beechmont
  - Thursday, September 19: Wandering Monsters Brewery
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## **Enrichment Programs**

Click on each flyer for more information on dates, cost, and registration.

[Chess Club](#): Learn to play the lifelong game of chess!

[Tennis/Pickleball](#): Learn the basics of these two popular racquet sports!

[Home Alone](#): Prepare for time spent at home alone!

[QSA Training](#): Improve your speed and agility!

[Spanish](#): Begin or continue learning the language and culture!

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## **2024-2025 Room Representative Volunteers Needed**

A great way to get involved at Wilson is to volunteer as your child's classroom representative. In this role, you will be tasked with collaborating with your child's homeroom teacher to plan class parties and volunteer chances. You will coordinate opportunities to thank your teacher for their hard work throughout the year (birthday, holiday, and end of year). Please consider signing up for a spot.

[2024-2025 Room Rep Volunteer Form](#)

Any further questions please feel free to email [Jillian.Groszek@gmail.com](mailto:Jillian.Groszek@gmail.com).

Thank you!

## **District Information**

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### **Back-to-School Updates**

FHSD has put together a helpful back-to-school article on our website! [Click here](#) to find information about:

- School supply lists
- New administrators across the district
- Important updates to the FHSD Strategic Plan
- Reminders about safety, finances and more!

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### **Summer Facility Upgrades**

If you've been following along with the FHSD social media channels, you have probably seen some of the repairs, improvements and upgrades happening across the district. If you want to see updated pictures from different projects, and learn more about the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan driving this work, you can [click here](#).

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### **EMERGENCY AND SUPPORT RESOURCES**

- If you, your student, or anyone else you know is in a life-threatening health crisis or emergency, call 911.
- If you, your student, or anyone else you know is in emotional distress or experiencing a suicidal crisis, call or text 988, available 24/7.
- If you have concerns about threats to student safety, we urge you to call or text the Safer Ohio School Tip Line at 844-SaferOH. This line is staffed 24/7.

- If you are seeking additional resources, we encourage you to start at the links below:
    - [MindPeace](#)
    - [FHSD Family Resource List 22-23](#)
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## Upcoming Events

### **Aug. 13**

- Kindergarten Screenings by appointment.

### **Aug. 20**

- Back to School Bash 4:30 to 6:30 pm
- New Family Orientation 6:30 to 7:00 pm (Wilson iLab)

### **Aug. 22**

- Phase In Day (Last Names M-Z only)

### **Aug. 23**

- Phase In Day (Last Names A-L)

### **Aug. 26**

- First Day for ALL Students