August 31, 2024

Wildcat Families,

We really enjoyed having ALL students in the building this week! We know it has been a long week for everyone as we get back onto the "school schedule", so we hope everyone is able to rest up over the long Labor Day weekend! We'd like to give a huge thank you to our PTO and parent volunteers for helping our Wildcats and staff this week! We appreciate all of the help in assisting our Kindergarten and First Grade students getting off the bus each morning, helping out in the cafeteria, and assisting all students find the correct bus to ride home on at the end of the day. It's a big job and we couldn't do it without support from PTO and our amazing parents!

This week our teachers have been working hard with your Wildcats to learn and establish the routines that will carry on throughout the year. Students visit each environment on campus, including their classrooms, to learn and practice the Wilson Way. No matter where we are, it's important to know how to take care of ourselves, take care of others, and take care of Wilson!

Before you head into the long weekend, we'd love to see everyone tonight for Rock the Stands at the Turpin football game! PTO has organized several fun games and activities in the run up to the 7:00pm kickoff. The festivities will begin at 6:00pm.

As a reminder, we will not have school on Monday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day. Have a fun and safe weekend!

See you soon! Erin and Brian

Wilson Rock the Stands at Turpin H.S.

Join us tonight for some Friday night lights at Turpin as the Spartans football team takes on Little Miami in their home opener! Enjoy some football fun and grab a bite to eat (concession food and food trucks) from 6:00-6:45. At 6:45 our Wildcats will join the tunnel to welcome the football team onto the field. Kickoff for the game is scheduled for 7:00pm.

Tickets to the game are required, and discounted tickets are available. Be sure to get your tickets **before 3:00pm today** for just \$5 (plus credit card fees)! After 3:00pm, tickets are \$7 (plus credit card fees).

Follow these instructions to get your tickets:

- 1. Go to this link: <u>https://www.goturpin.com/special-events/game-tickets-4/</u>
- 2. Scroll to Turpin HS Football.
- 3. Find Boys Varsity Football v Little Miami and click on GET TICKETS.
- 4. Put in the desired quantity next to Pre Sale Tickets
- 5. Click CHECK OUT.
- 6. Then where it says *Promotion Code*, put in this code: WilsonRocks
- 7. Hit APPLY
- 8. Then, the order will take \$3 per ticket OFF the price.

Walk Star Walkathon - Date Change

Due to a district conflict, the Walkathon will now be September 27th. Collections will open 9/13 with our Walk Star Premiere, so stay tuned for more information to come.

Counselor's Corner: Jean Bode, jeanbode@foresthills.edu

Mindful Music Moments: We are excited to once again partner with <u>The Well</u> who provides Wilson with <u>Mindful Music Moments</u> each morning. Anyone in the Wilson community can log on to access resources and participate in MMM anytime. <u>Link to</u> <u>MMM</u>, the password is mindfulwilson. Our whole school spends the first 4-ish minutes each morning in a calm way. There is a lot of research available on The Well website, please check it out.

Resource to share: Check out this article <u>"My Socks Feel Weird"</u> for ideas when kiddos have a high sensory sensitivity, especially ideas for help with morning routines.

Just ask! Please reach out to me if I can do anything for your family. <u>See link</u> for ways I can support your family. There will be different offerings throughout the year, right now I have LOTS of donated **school supplies** if you need some for your kids either at school or home.

Weekend Power Packs from IPM: If you would like for your kids to have a Power Pack on Fridays, please let me know. I will coordinate with IPM for delivery to Wilson and then for the kids to bring them home from school.

Anything else I can do? Just ask! Smiles 😀 Jean Bode

Kindergarten Tuition

Kindergarten tuition for All Day Kindergarten is due the first day of each month. It is helpful to add this to your calendar so you are able to get your payment in on time. We appreciate it!

School Fees

School fees for the 24-25 school yaer are due by September 30. School fees are \$50 and ALL students must pay a technology fee of \$75 per student.

UPDATE YOUR INFO & JOIN THE PTO:

Joining the PTO does not mean you have to volunteer! It gives you access to the directory & the PTO communications, so you can hear about events, enrichments and more! <u>CLICK HERE</u> to join the PTO (\$12) & complete the PTO emergency form - used for skate night, etc.

**6th graders have an additional form and 6th grade activities payment to complete

ORDER EVENT T-SHIRT: These are used for walkathon and field trips. CLICK HERE to order a student special event t-shirt **NOTE: in an effort to spend PTO dollars as wisely as possible, we're keeping the design the same as last year. So, if your student's shirt still fits, you may choose not to order another one. Any money leftover will be directed towards other events or school needs!

Changes to Dismissal Plans

Any changes to dismissal plans must be communicated in advance to both the classroom teacher and the main office. Same-day changes must be made prior to 3:00pm.

District Calendar 2024-2025

Access to the District Academic calendars can be found on the Calendar page of the FHSD website by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

Wilson Lunch Menus for August and September

Please see the lunch menu below for August and September. Our cafeteria staff work super hard each and everyday and we appreciate all they do for our Wildcats! <u>LINK</u>

Wilson Lunchroom Volunteers

We LOVE having volunteers help out in our cafeteria. It is our expectation that you remain in the designated area for which you are volunteering. For example, if you are volunteering in the cafeteria, please do not walk to your child's classroom or peek into a unified arts class to see what your child is doing. We appreciate your help with this.

Below is the lunchroom volunteer sign-up link for August and September.

Lunch with Students

We are excited that our families are able to have lunch with our Wildcats, and we love having our families in the building. In saying that, it is important that our students have time to adjust to the routines and procedures at school while building relationships with their teachers and peers. Families will be able to begin eating lunch with their Wildcats starting Monday, October 7th. Below is the lunch schedule so you can plan accordingly. We appreciate your understanding and support! Wilson Lunch and Recess Schedule 2024-2025.

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

Restaurant Nights

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

- Mon. September 9: Buffalo Wild Wings @ Beechmont
- Thursday, September 19: Wandering Monsters Brewery

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!

2024-2025 Room Representative Volunteers Still 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. <u>2024-2025 Room Rep Form</u>

*** <u>Hyden</u>, <u>Taylor</u>, <u>Lynch</u>, <u>Proffitt</u>, <u>Hezlep</u>, <u>Renard</u> and <u>Hopkins</u> are still in need of one (though two is ideal) room reps for this school. Please consider volunteering to help these teachers and students have a wonderful year***

Thank you so much! Jill Munninghoff Jillian.Groszek@gmail.com

District Information

Reminder: School Fees Are Due in September

All elementary students in FHSD are required to pay a \$50 school fee and \$75 technology fee, which can be made by cash, or check payable to your child's school. Online payments are available as an added convenience, and information about how to complete payments online (which includes an additional credit card/convenience fee) can be found <u>on our website here</u>. If you have any questions about fees, please contact your school's main office.

All payments should be brought to your student's school office and lunch balance payments should be SEPARATE from school fees. This is required because the money is deposited into different accounts. School lunch payments should be made out to the School Name + Food Service or Cafeteria. The cash/check will need to include the child's name (first and last) as well as their student ID number. If there are to be multiple students for one check they will need to indicate each student's name and student ID number with the amount for each student's account. High school fees are charged later in the semester to account for adjustments to student schedules during the first weeks of class. Below are links to the 24-25 parent guides for each grade level. This will give an overview of what your child will experience in each grade level. If you have questions please reach out to your child's teacher.

- <u>Kindergarten</u>
- <u>1st grade</u>
- <u>2nd grade</u>
- <u>3rd grade</u>
- <u>4th grade</u>
- <u>5th grade</u>
- <u>6th grade</u>

i-Ready

Once again all elementary schools and Nagel Middle School will be using a program called *i-Ready* this school year. This program is designed to help our teachers better support academic growth for all students and it will inform more individualized education throughout grades K-8.

Over the next few weeks students will be taking a diagnostic test. These reports will be coming home around the end of the 1st quarter. If you have questions feel free to reach out to your student's teacher or building administrative team with any questions you might have.

Student Device Monitoring Notice

FHSD is providing notice to all families that it conducts internal monitoring of school-issued devices, a measure that is necessary to participate in certain state and federal funding programs. This monitoring includes student interactions with a school-issued device, including web-browsing activity. This monitoring **DOES NOT** include location-tracking features of a school-issued device, or audio or visual receiving, transmitting, or recording features of a school-issued device. If a circumstance related to school safety or student behavior prompts our staff to conduct a more extensive search of a specific device, that student's family will be notified within 72 hours of the search. The 72-hour notice must include a written description of the triggering circumstance, identifying which features of the device were accessed and a description of the threat, if any. If notice would pose a threat to life or safety, it must instead be given within 72 hours after the threat has ceased, in compliance with Ohio Senate Bill 29.

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

Welcome back to school, Forest Hills! Did you know?? The Forest Hills Foundation for Education was able to provide over \$230,000 in grants in the 2023-24 school year! Thanks to the generous support of our community, we were able to support ALL Forest Hills students with various enrichment opportunities that support STEAM, the arts, wellness, and literacy. We couldn't do it without you! <u>DONATE today</u> to invest in the success of all our students!

Community Events

You can also visit our <u>flyers webpage here</u> that has updates on other fun events and activities, including the following items:

• Anderson HS Game Day VIP Experience for Grades 1-6 | <u>Flyer</u>

- Please click the <u>flyers webpage link</u> for information about Cub Scouts informational sessions and contact information that is unique to different schools. Some info sessions have passed, so please reach out directly to the assigned contact for more information.
- The <u>flyers webpage</u> also has information about multiple after-school Spanish class opportunities for elementary students.

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:
 - <u>MindPeace</u>
 - FHSD Family Resource List 22-23

Upcoming Events

K-4 Unified Arts Friday Rotation

Friday, September 6 will be a "Monday."

Sept. 2

- No School-Labor Day
- Sept. 3
- Sept. 4
- Sept. 5
- Sept. 6