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January 31, 2025

Wildcat Families,

Sometimes, after a hard day of learning it's nice for our Wildcats to take a little break. Yesterday many of our students enjoyed a hot cocoa party! Students had the option of turning in blue cards to sip on some cocoa, do a craft, and hang out with other Wildcats! The chocolate and marshmallow smiles leaving the cafeteria were proof enough that all had a wonderful time! A huge thank you to Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Fender and Mrs. Hale for organizing the fun!

Our Wildcats certainly know how to have fun, but they have also shown wonderful academic growth thus far into the school year. Today, all students will bring home their winter iReady Diagnostic Assessment results. If you have a child in Third grade, they will also have the results from the Third Grade English Language Arts (ELA) Ohio State Assessment (OST) they took in October. Assessments like iReady and OST can certainly provide a window into a student's growth and academic achievement, but we also recognize these tests are a snapshot of one day and one time. If you have any questions about these scores, please reach out to your child's teacher(s).

Next week is sure to be an exciting week around Wilson as we gear up for the big Art Show on Thursday evening from 6:00-8:00pm. Mrs. Fender and her students have been working hard to get all the precious pieces ready, and we can't wait to see everything on display! In addition to the excitement of the Art Show, the Scholastic Book Fair will be set up in the iLab throughout the week for students

(and families during the Art Show) to shop for books. Please see the information below for detailed information on creating students' digital wallets.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Take care, Erin and Brian

Building Information

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Registration for conferences is now open. Conferences are scheduled for the evenings of February 13 and March 6. To sign up for a conference with your child's teacher, please visit www.myconferencetime.com/wilson and click on the appropriate grade level.

Sixth Grade Families - Save the date!

The Wilson PTO is hosting a sixth grade social and sports night at Elite Athletics on 2/17 from 4:30-6:30pm. Registration is coming soon! Flyer

Scholastic Spring Book Fair (Feb. 3-7)

Book Fair is next week Feb. 3-7, so check out the details at https://bit.ly/WilsonBookFairFEB2025

Kindergarten through 6th Grade students will attend on their Innovation Specials Day. Students should speak with the adults at their home about expectations for purchasing. We do our best to guide students to prioritize books first. If you would like to make any special requests for certain books you may do so here separately for each child.

Families are invited to shop with their students on **Thursday**, **Feb. 6 from 5:30-8:15 pm during our Art Show**.

Before Feb.3, set up eWallet for worry-free, cash-free purchases. Anyone can contribute! Share each child's eWallet so friends and family can add funds and give your kids more books to enjoy. If your student used eWallet for the last Scholastic Book Fair and had any remaining funds, please just be sure to sign into your Scholastic Account with the same information so you can be recognized in the system. Parents can set up an eWallet for students by visiting the Wilson Book Fair website Check out the eWallet Video if you have more questions. Cash or checks made out to Wilson PTO will be accepted as well.

If you can't make it to the Fair, then shop at our school's Book Fair online. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Every online purchase will also benefit our school. Visit https://bit.ly/WilsonBookFairFEB2025 to shop online.

We are looking for volunteers-Thanks so much for your help! Sign up for a shift here.

Any book fair specific questions can be sent to wendyteismann@foresthills.edu.

Happy Reading!

Wilson Lunch Menus for January Please see the link to view the lunch menus for each month. Wilson Elementary Lunch Menus 24-25. We have included the February lunch menu below. February Menu

Cafeteria Volunteers

Consider volunteering in the cafeteria to help out Mr. C and our Wildcats!

February Lunch Helpers

March Lunch Helpers

April Lunch Helpers

May Lunch Helpers

Wilson Running Club Coordinator

We are still looking for someone to lead the running club this year for our Wilson Wildcats. The previous coordinator, Zach Miller, has offered to meet with anyone interested in this position to share the training schedule and other important information.

Running Club will be held every Wednesday, March 12th thru May 7th, with a week break for Spring Break (8 weekly sessions).

Runners practice once a week on Wednesdays from 3:45 to 5:00 pm. Runners will be able to showcase their hard work at the Forest Hills 5k on

Please reach out to Erin Storer (<u>erinstorer@foresthills.edu</u>) if you are interested.

Counselor's Corner: Jean Bode

January Wellness Theme: Respect. Read more here!

<u>SPOTS ARE FILLING UP!</u> 4th - 6th Grade SPARKS Day!!!! March 14, 2025 If you are interested, please fill out the form below.

Do you have a SPARK you would like to share with our Wilson Wildcats or know someone? A SPARK can be "an interest, skill, hobby and/or career to ignite dreams of future plans for kids." Our annual SPARKS Day is Friday, March 14, 2025 for our 4th-6th grade students. Interested in signing up or need more information? Check this out.

Just ask! Please reach out to me if I can do anything for your family. Smiles Use Jean Bode jeanbode@foresthills.edu

PTO NEWS

Wilson Bowling Club starts in February! Registration and payment is due by February 7 or until spots are filled. The <u>bowling flyer</u> has more information. <u>CLICK HERE to register</u> and <u>Click HERE to pay</u> for Bowling Club 2024-2025

Restaurant Nights

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

- Skyline @ Anderson: Tuesday, Feb. 4 (5-9pm)
- NVT Pizza & Brew: Tuesday, Feb. 11 (4-8pm)
- Raising Cane's: Thursday, Feb. 20 (3-10pm)

Before/After-School Enrichment Programs

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

Star Glazers Pottery: Make your own ceramic piece!

Jewelry Making: Create your own jewelry or as gifts for others!

Sewing: Learn basic hand stitches!

Volunteer with us in the <u>Innovation Lab</u>.

Art Show Preparations

Help Mrs. Fender prep for the art show! Volunteers needed 1/27 and 2/6. Thank you! Volunteer Sign-Up

Mrs. Fender needs a group of volunteers to help mount the artwork that will be displayed at the Wilson Art Show. She also needs a few volunteers to help set up on the day of the art show in the afternoon. Please review the time slots below and click on the button to sign up if you are able to help. Volunteer Sign-Up

Wilson Brick Sales

Purchase a personalized, engraved brick to be installed in front of the school building. You can commemorate your family, honor your children, give a shout-out to an amazing teacher, or simply thank Wilson for being fantastic! Cost: \$75.00 (includes 3 lines with 14 characters each)

Purchase Here: https://www.wilson-pto.org/open forms
If you have any questions, please email me at: mollybrooks10@hotmail.com

Wilson Carnival

The Wilson Carnival will be Saturday, March 1, 2025. Raffle tickets and wristbands are on sale now! Purchase here: Link to Purchase

District Information

Kindergarten Registration and Preschool Lottery!

We're already planning for the 2025-26 school year! If you or someone you know has a child nearing school age, please encourage them to check out our award-winning elementary schools and preschool program! Kindergarten registration is OPEN right now. The preschool lottery for peer model students will be available Feb. 1 - Feb. 23. Please check out this article on the FHSD website for everything you need to know!

Nominate an Outstanding Educator for Recognition!

Each year, FHSD submits nominees for the Hamilton County Education Foundation Celebrate Excellence awards and the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year award. Please take a moment to nominate an FHSD educator who you believe deserves special recognition this year! Form: https://forms.gle/VZ7RAKtZyz2w5PYU6

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

The Forest Hills Foundation for Education invites Anderson and Turpin High School students to <u>apply to join the FHFE Grant Committee</u>. The Grant Committee reviews and awards grants to the school district, teachers and Parent-Teacher Organizations. We encourage students with a breadth of interests to apply to bring a diverse set of interests and points of view to the committee. <u>Applications</u> are due on February 7, 2025.

Community Events

<u>Click here to visit the flyers page</u> to learn more about opportunities like:

- Breakthrough T1D Community Summit | Feb. 2
- Make the Cut Hair Donation Event | Feb. 12
- Saturday Art at UC DAAP | Feb. 15-April 12 | Open K-12
- A-Town Boys Volleyball Spring 2025 | Grades 3-8
- Flag Football Fanatics Spring Registration
- Anderson Fastpitch Softball Registration
- Anderson Middies Lacrosse Registration

Upcoming Events

K-4 Unified Arts Friday Rotation

Friday, February 7 will be a "Thursday."

Feb. 3

Book Fair

Feb. 4

Book Fair

Feb. 5

Book Fair

Feb. 6

• Art Show & Book Fair 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Feb. 7

Book Fair