

September 20, 2024

Wildcat Families,

Our students and staff took time to celebrate Constitution Day on September 17 by engaging in activities and discussions to help our students learn about the importance of this historic document and its role in shaping our nation.

It has been so great hearing about all of the creative ways students are raising money for our Wilson Walkathon! A third grade student shared that he had a bake sale over the weekend and another student shared that he offered to wash cars in his neighborhood to raise money for our school! We love hearing the many ways our students are doing things around our community to help!

On Tuesday, September 10 you received a communication from Ali Moore, Director of Student Services. The email informed parents that students in grades 2-12 will soon participate in a School Connection Survey. The survey helps us to better understand the student experience within Wilson and make any necessary adjustments. Wilson students in grades 2-6 will take the survey the week of September 30.

Next week, we will have a busy week filled with a lot of excitement! On Tuesday you'll notice representatives from Anderson Township Fire and Rescue and the Anderson Township Sheriff's office on campus for our annual walk/bike to school day. We are always grateful for the continued collaboration with the Township! Of course, next week will be capped off with a lot of fun at the Walkathon!

See you soon!

Erin and Brian

Building Information

Walk/Bike to School Day Tuesday

On Tuesday, September 24th, Wilson students are encouraged to get their legs ready for the walkathon by walking or biking to school. Wilson will host a walk/bike to school day, in partnership with Anderson Township and the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. Studies have demonstrated the many benefits of walking or bicycling to and from school, such as improved physical health, building stronger friendships with neighbors, reduced traffic pollution and improved sense of safety. Events like these are a great way to give it a try for your student and family!

Township staff, including the Fire & Rescue Department, along with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, will be on hand that morning to help remind motorists to be aware of children on nearby sidewalks and crosswalks. They'll also remind our Wildcats of tips to help keep them safe!

Live too far from Wilson but want to take part? Consider driving to a closer point, or maybe a nearby friend's house, and walk from there.

Walkathon Route and Schedule

We look forward to a great day with students on Friday, September 27 for our Walk-a-thon! We would love to have volunteers out in the neighborhood cheering our Wildcats on! Please feel free to decorate the sidewalks with cute pictures and quotes to motivate our teachers, students and staff as we walk.

Below is the schedule and route for the day. **We kindly request that parents refrain from walking with their child(ren).** Instead, we encourage you to line the sidewalks and cheer on our Wildcats! Our teachers and staff will be walking with our students. Feel free to wear any Wilson spirit wear that you have!

[Walkathon Schedule](#)

Grade	Recess	Lunch	Walking	Walk Star Party	Unified Arts
AM - K	X	X	9:30-10:00	10:15-10:45	X
K	10:55-11:20	11:20-11:45	9:30-10:00	2:40-3:10	12:50-1:35
1	11:25-11:50	11:50-12:15	10:00-10:40	12:20-12:50	1:35-2:20
2	12:15-12:35	12:35-12:55	10:40-11:20	9:30-10:00	2:20-3:05
3	12:55-1:15	1:15-1:35	2:10-2:50	10:45-11:15	11:35-12:20
4	11:45-12:05	12:05-12:25	12:50-1:30	1:30-2:00	9:20-10:05
5	11:20-11:40	11:40-12:00	12:15-12:55	12:55-1:25	10:05-10:50
6	12:25-12:45	12:45-1:05	1:30-2:10	2:10-2:40	10:50-11:35

Walkathon Route

Kindergarten

- East on Little Dry Run.

- North on Montchateau (stay on the west side of sidewalk).
- Turn around at Hillridge.

First and Second Grade

- East on Little Dry Run.
- North on Montchateau (stay on the west side of sidewalk).
- Turn around at Montridge Drive (where the sidewalk ends).

Third through Sixth Grade

- East on Little Dry Run.
- North on Montchateau (stay on the west side of sidewalk).
- Turn around in the cul-de-sac just past Mountfort Court).

Walkathon Update from PTO

The annual Wilson Walkathon is under way! All the details can be found here: [Walk Star Walkathon](#). Set up an online fundraising page with these [directions](#). Keep turning in those envelopes and encourage your students to sell lemonade, offer to help out a neighbor, or even clean out their toy bin to earn their money. Once a student raises \$45 in total donations, they will be eligible for the daily prize drawing from that day forward.

Once we reach our school goal of \$33,000, we will get to Party Like A Walk Star on the day of Walkathon. This includes bounce houses, DJ Toad, and plenty of fun and games. [See our school's progress here.](#)

Parents and family members are welcome to cheer students on as they walk down Montchateau the day of Walkathon. The Walkathon schedule can be found below. In an effort to keep in accordance with school policy, parents are discouraged from watching students walk on campus or participating in the Party Like a Walk Star unless they are signed up as a volunteer and have a badge from the front office. Click here to volunteer! [Party Like A Walk Star Volunteers](#)

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

Resource to share: Check out this Love and Logic article [Why Lecturing Isn't Working – And What to Do Instead](#) Check out [Love and Logic](#) for many more resources, this is my top resource to share with families!

Mindful Music Moments: We are excited to once again partner with [The Well](#) who provides Wilson with [Mindful Music Moments](#) each morning. Anyone in the Wilson community can log on to access resources and participate in MMM anytime. [Link to MMM](#), 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.

Just ask! Please reach out to me if I can do anything for your family. [See link](#) 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.

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

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Parent-Teacher Conferences

Fall conferences are scheduled for the evening of October 10 and throughout the day on November 4. Registration for conferences will open for families next Thursday, September 26 at 9:30am. To sign up for a conference, please visit www.myconference.com/wilson beginning next Thursday at 9:30am.

FHSD School Connection Survey – Voluntary Student Survey

Between September 23-October 7, all Forest Hills students will have the opportunity to participate in our FHSD School Connection Survey. Student feedback from this survey will help our teachers, counselors, and administrators gain insight into the 'student experience' with the goal of addressing present needs, while planning for our students' future success. The survey will take approximately 20 minutes, is completely voluntary, and will be administered during school hours. Additionally, there are no consequences for students who do not participate, and no information obtained will be stored on a third-party server. To request that your student NOT participate in the survey and to learn more, visit the [Student Connection Survey Opt Out Form](#).

New Staff Members

Tiffany Fernandes: New Crossing Guard

Welcome Tiffany Fernandes! Tiffany is our new crossing guard! She is a mother of two Wilson kiddos, a 4th grader and a 1st grader. She enjoys a sense of community in both her work and personal life. Originally, Tiffany is from the west side of the city and has a degree from a university that took her further west, IU. Tiffany and her husband finally landed in Anderson Township, where they have really found their niche over the last decade. A career in residential design and a passion for culture and travel is woven into most of their adventures. She is enjoying her new role!

Connie Jones (ESC Paraprofessional)

Connie grew up in Anderson Township, where she attended Maddux Elementary school and graduated from Anderson High school. Shortly after, she married her high school sweetheart and moved to the Batavia area. Connie has 2 children, whom both recently got married, but she is still waiting to be a grandma! She worked 40 years in the corporate world, but recently decided to make the change to work with children and she is beyond excited to start this new journey as a Wilson Wildcat!

Tay Jackson (ESC Paraprofessional)

Tay is an Anderson graduate and is a mother of a 3 month old girl named Iris. She loves going to the gym. She spent 3 years working in logistics and is now fulfilling her dream of working as a paraprofessional.

Fall Fest Volunteers

Fall Fest is Sunday, September 29th from 5:00pm to 7:00pm and relies on our Wilson volunteers to make the event a success! Thank you for considering helping out with Fall Fest.

[Volunteer Sign Up Link](#)

Fall Fest 2024

We hope you can join us at Wilson on Sunday, September 29th from 5:00pm to 7:00pm for our annual Fall Fest! A shuttle bus will be available at Clough United Methodist Church (2010 Wolfangel) to help with the limited parking on campus. Please see the link for more information! [LINK](#)

Picture Retakes and 6th Grade “W” Picture

Picture retakes are scheduled for October 21. Our 6th Grade “W” picture will be on October 21 as well. The “W” picture will be taken at 9:30 am.

Innovation Lab (iLab) Volunteer Opportunities

We do STEM related Lessons and Check Out Books, too. Please use this link to reserve your spot! [iLab Sign Up Genius Link](#)

Ski Club

Snow flakes may be far from our minds but Ski Club passes are now available! Ski Club is a program run by Perfect North Slopes that offers discounted ski passes and a dedicated day for Wildcat's and their families to ski together. Starting in January, we encourage

Wildcats and their families to hit the slopes together and ski on Wednesdays! If Wednesday doesn't work for your Wildcat/family you can still buy a pass and ski a different day.

Sign up now to receive a 30% discount off passes. After November 3rd the discount drops to 20%. The first day at Perfect North for the Wilson Ski Club is Wednesday, January 8th.

1. Fill out the ski club google form [HERE](#)
2. Purchase your ski club pass by November 3rd [HERE](#).
Login = wilson. Password = catwalk.
3. Fill out the PTO Medical Emergency Form [HERE](#) -If you already filled out the medical form it will not be available.
4. Ski Club Gear is now available [HERE](#)

Ordering by November 5th entitles you to a 30% discount off any pass.

Choose one that suits your Wildcat(s) best. If you need rentals make sure to add rentals. The exclusive 4-visit club pass with rentals is \$199. Without rentals it's \$139. PASS IS AVAILABLE FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

*** Please note the PTO is no longer providing busing for 4th-6th Graders and we encourage you to carpool with other classmates.

Questions? email the PTO – wearewilsonpto@gmail.com

Wilson Lunch Menus for 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! [LINK](#)

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.

[Lunchroom Volunteers Sign-Up Link](#)

Restaurant Nights

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

Sunday, Sept. 22: NVT Pizza & Brew (all day!)

Monday, Sept. 30: Chipotle @ Beechmont Town Center (4-8pm)

Before / After-School Enrichment Programs

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

[Cool Critters](#): Learn about and pet all kinds of animals!

[Jewelry Making](#): Learn how to make jewelry! Supplies provided.

[Sewing](#): Learn the basics of sewing! Supplies provided.

Wilson Cub Scout Pack 867

Join us for the September Pack meeting on Tuesday, September 17th, at 6:30pm at Clough United Methodist Church- 2010 Wolfangel Rd.

Join us to register, make a scout awards display, and tie dye t-shirts. You will also get a rocket kit to build at home and bring back for our October meeting.

If you are interested in joining, you can register at any time.

We welcome K-5th grade boys and girls!

Contact kglaser09@gmail.com or marcofernandes101@gmail.com with any questions.

District Information

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

Check out how [Forest Hills Foundation grants](#) align with FHSD's Portrait of a Learner. It's a partnership in excellence for the students of Forest Hills! With strong community support, we look forward to continuing our commitment to supporting all 7,100 FHSD students in wellness, innovation and learning. Learn more about the Foundation [here](#).

Purchase tickets to the Distinguished Alumni Luncheon [here](#). It will be held on Friday, October 4, from 11:30-1:30 at Ivy Hills Country Club. Join us as we honor the [2024 Distinguished Alumni and Staff!](#)

Save the Date! The Denim & Diamonds Fundraiser and Party will be held on Saturday, November 16th from 7-11pm at Belterra Park. This is a new venue for our party! Join us for a fun, casual party and help us raise funds for Forest Hills students! Early Bird Pricing and more details coming soon. Ask your PTO how it is offering a chance to win two free tickets to the party (valued at \$300)!

Anderson Township Senior Health and Wellness Expo on Sept. 24

This will be a great event to attend if you or someone you know might be interested in learning more about different resources and opportunities available to older individuals in our community. Be sure to stop by FHSD's table to learn more about our Gold Pass for athletic events! Anderson Center from 4-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 24! [Click here to learn more.](#)

Are you interested in finding out more about Nagel Volleyball?

Our Blue, Silver and White girls volleyball teams are inviting elementary students to attend upcoming Grade School Visit Nights! You can get in the game without charge and meet with the coach after the 7th grade match to ask questions and meet players. Doors open at 4 p.m. with the 7th grade match getting underway at 4:30 p.m. Q&A with coaches will be between the 7th and 8th grade matches! These are all home games.

- Blue Volleyball (players move on to AHS) - Sept. 26 vs. Walnut Hills
 - Silver Volleyball (players move on to THS) - Oct. 1 vs. Goshen
- Can't make it or have questions? Reach out to AD [Zach McCormick](#) for White and Blue, and Coach T ([Theresa Ciampone](#)) for Silver! Go Nighthawks!!
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“Volley for the Cause” Fundraiser for National Pediatric Cancer Foundation

The Anderson girls volleyball team invites the entire community to its match against Kings on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 4 p.m. in the AHS gym! They are rallying to support a fellow Raptor who has been diagnosed with pediatric cancer. Tickets are \$8 (\$5 for seniors) and students can attend with just a \$1 donation. All proceeds benefit the National Pediatric Cancer Foundation. [Click here to view a flyer for more details.](#)

Elementary Hearing and Visions Screenings Notice

FHSD is partnering with Xavier University to administer vision and hearing screenings for all students in preschool, kindergarten, first, third, and fifth grades this fall. Wilson Elementary will have vision/hearing screenings on October 22nd. These screenings are required by law. For more information about the screenings, including how to opt a student out, please [click here](#).

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](#)

Upcoming Events

K-4 Unified Arts Friday Rotation

Friday, September 27 will be a “Monday.”

Sept. 23

Sept. 24

- Walk/Bike to School

Sept. 25

Sept. 26

Sept. 27

- [Walkathon](#)