

April 19, 2024

Wildcat Families,

We are looking forward to this evening's Sixth Grade Color Run from 5:00-6:30pm! It's looking like the weather is going to cooperate! If, however, we need to cancel, we plan to make the call by 1:00pm.

This week our third through sixth grade students have done an incredible job persevering through the ELA Ohio State Test. Next week these same students will take the Ohio State Test for math. Please make sure students are well rested and have a good breakfast for their testing days! See the schedule below for the specifics.

Next Thursday, April 25 is "Go Green for Mental Health across the district. We encourage all staff and students to wear green!

We hope you have a wonderful weekend!

Take care,  
Erin and Brian

## **Building Information**

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### **Parent Information Form**

Preparations for the 24-25 are well underway, and we'd like to get your thoughts about your Wildcats. Information provided will assist us in making the most appropriate class placement for next school

year. Completion of this form is completely optional. Please note that we will not honor requests for a specific teacher. If interested, please complete one form per child. [24-25 PARENT INFORMATION FORM](#).

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## **State Testing**

State testing is upon us for students in Third through Sixth Grades. On testing days, please make sure our Wildcats get plenty of rest and a good breakfast. If students arrive late to school on a testing day they will not be permitted to join the class until testing has concluded for the day. They will need to complete the missed test during a makeup session.

- 3rd Grade:
    - April 25 & 26 (Math)
  - 4th Grade:
    - April 25 & 26 (Math)
  - 5th Grade:
    - April 23 & 24 (Math)
  - 6th Grade:
    - April 23 & 24 (Math)
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## **Counselor's Corner**

Hello! Here at school, we have been very busy learning about integrity- what it means and why it is important! Integrity means being truthful and genuine, always doing the right thing, even when unseen. Those with integrity follow their values, not the crowd. It involves honesty, authenticity, and aligning thoughts, feelings, and actions. Integrity is key for personal growth and well-being, fostering likable, trustworthy relationships. [Read more here...](#)

Looking ahead for resources for Summer Camps, [check out these resources from Mindpeace](#). There are general camps as well as specific camps for:

- General Camps (that accommodate mental health disability)
- Autism
- ADHD
- Horses, Equine Therapy
- Music/Dance/Acting/Art
- Sports
- Swim

Smiles,

Jean Bode [jeanbode@foresthills.edu](mailto:jeanbode@foresthills.edu)

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### **Electronic Devices (phones and smart watches)**

It is really important that students understand that phones and other electronic devices are not allowed to be used on campus. All phones and electronic devices should remain in backpacks until students return home from school. Phones and electronic devices should not be used on the bus either.

Starting next week, we will be making announcements over the PA to remind students the importance of keeping all devices in their backpacks until returning home from school.

We would appreciate your support and help in reinforcing this expectation. Please talk with your students over the weekend about the importance of keeping all electronic devices away until arriving home from school.

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## **Kentucky Science Center Volunteers**

The entire student body will participate in a hands-on science based assembly brought to us by the Kentucky Science Center! We need help facilitating the walk-up station activities. Please consider volunteering your time! Any questions, contact Amy McConaughy via phone (513) 290-0291 or email ([amyfmcconaughy@gmail.com](mailto:amyfmcconaughy@gmail.com)) or Ally Wehmann ([ally.wehmann@gmail.com](mailto:ally.wehmann@gmail.com)).

## [Volunteer Sign-Up Genius](#)

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## **6th Grade Upcoming Events**

There are many 6th Grade Events in April and May and we understand it is hard to attend all events. Below are upcoming 6th grade events. We will share more information as events come about.

- Friday, April 19: 6th Grade Color Run from 5:00 to 6:30 pm at Wilson
- Friday, April 26: 6th Grade Color Run Rain Date from 5:00 to 6:30 pm at Wilson
- Friday, May 3: 6th Grade Olympics at Anderson High School 9:30 am to 1:00 pm
- Thursday, May 23: 6th Grade Recognition Night at Turpin High School from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm
- Friday, May 24: 6th Grade Clap Out at 3:30 pm (Wilson)

- Students will be exiting through the third grade doors and parents are welcome to be on the hill out front. We need the sidewalks clear due to buses.
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### **School Supply Kits**

School Kits are available for the 24-25 school year. Please see more information below.

[24-25 School Supply Kits](#)

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### **Art Volunteers**

We are looking for a few volunteers to help in the art room when the first and second grade students work on their clay projects in April. Please sign up using the link if you are able to help. Thanks in advance!

[Art Room Sign-Up Link](#)

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### **Gifted Resource Fair**

A Gifted Resource Fair is taking place at Hamilton County ESC on April 20. Feel free to preview the information below and attend this event if it is something that interests you! [Flyer](#)

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### **Wilson Elementary *Friend of the Children* PTO Award**

The *Friend of the Children* award is a way Wilson PTO shows appreciation for an individual or group's effort on behalf of the children.

Possible recipients could be tutors, PTO volunteers, teachers, school staff, administrators, parents, or businesses that have provided our students with exceptional support, or an extraordinary experience.

Complete the [Friend of the Children Google Form](#) to submit a nomination by **Monday, April 22, 2024**. Students are encouraged to make nominations too!

Each recipient of the *Friend of the Children* award will receive a certificate of recognition and be honored at the May PTO meeting.

If you have any questions please contact Katharine Robinson [katharinehrobinson@gmail.com](mailto:katharinehrobinson@gmail.com)

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### **Wilson Bricks**

Go to the [Wilson PTO Store and Information Forms](#). Once you go here, hover over "Fundraising", which is located at the top of the page. A menu box will drop down and you can click on "Buy a Wilson Brick."

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### **Yearbooks on Sale!**

Get your commemorative 2023-2024 yearbook and enjoy memories from this school year. **Deadline to order is April 21st!** Please review the information in the flyer below for more information. If you miss the

April 21st deadline, you can place a summer sales order starting at the end of May. Summer Sales are about \$10 more per book plus shipping since they are printing single books rather than a bulk order.

[Yearbook Flyer](#)

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### **iLab Book Helper Volunteers**

Your help is greatly appreciated since we check-in, check-out and reshelve books along with doing STEM activities in the Innovation Lab. Please sign up for your preferred day and time:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B49A5AB2EAB9-46412089-innovation>

If you have not volunteered in the learning commons in previous years or completed training, please contact Sara to set up a brief training at the beginning of your volunteer session. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions to Sara at 513-313-3928 or [saraostermeier@hotmail.com](mailto:saraostermeier@hotmail.com)

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### **Lunch Helpers**

We always appreciate our families volunteering whenever your work schedule allows. Below are all of the lunch helper sign ups for the remainder of the year:

- April: [April Lunch Volunteers](#)
- May: [May Lunch Volunteers](#)

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## **Restaurant Nights**

Take a night off cooking or grab a quick family meal at one of our upcoming Restaurant Fundraisers. You'll support a local restaurant AND the Wilson PTO! Don't forget to mention WILSON!

Tuesday, April 23 | NVT Pizza & Brew @ 4-10pm

Saturday, May 4 | Chipotle 5-9pm @ Anderson Town Center

## **District Information**

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### **Congratulations to These Outstanding Volunteers!**

Each school recognized an individual who has gone above and beyond in their volunteer efforts for the 2023-2024 school year during Wednesday's Board of Education meeting. We are so grateful for the support and dedication of these outstanding volunteers. FHSD is a special place where so many people offer their time and energy to support students. Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers! [Check out the honored individuals here.](#)

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**Go Green for Mental Health with the Anderson Mental Health Collaborative**



Join our friends and partners with the AMHC for their annual fundraiser on Thursday, April 25 at Big Ash. This "Go Green" party for Mental Health Month will feature live music and a community night of raising awareness about Mental Health. You can learn more and purchase tickets here:

<https://www.andersonmentalhealthcollaborative.com/events>

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### **Forest Hills Foundation for Education**

**Join us for the 15th FH5K on Saturday, May 11 as we “Celebrate Every Victory.”**

[Register and Get Involved today!](#)

\*register by April 1st and you could be the lucky winner of a FREE massage!

**Interested in serving as a Race Ambassador?** Contact Turpin student [Kerry Fleming](#) so you can get signed up today.

Thanks to all of our 2024 Race Ambassadors – [check them out!](#)

**Can't attend** – you can still support the FH students with a donation.

Be sure you register under your student's school team OR create your own fundraising page.

Help us reach our goal of \$125,000 to support student wellness!

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**Save the Date: Free Sports Physicals on June 15**

FHSD's Official Sports Medicine and Wellness Partners, OrthoCincy and The Christ Hospital, are offering FREE sports physicals for students entering grades 6-12 for the 2024-2025 school year! These will take place on Saturday, June 15 from 9 a.m.-noon. Please [read this article](#) for additional requirements and need-to-know information!

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### **Get Tickets NOW for Anderson and Turpin Spring Musicals!**

Anderson Theatre presents *Alice by Heart*, a new musical inspired by Lewis Carroll's classic Alice stories. Turpin Theatre presents *Into the Woods*, the classic show featuring everyone's favorite storybook characters.

Performances for both productions run from April 25-28 at the respective high schools. You can find additional information and purchase tickets at the following links:

[www.AndersonTheatre.com](http://www.AndersonTheatre.com)

[www.TurpinTheatre.com](http://www.TurpinTheatre.com)

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### **Community Events**

You can also visit our [flyers webpage here](#) that has updates on other fun events and activities, including the following items:

- Turpin High School Athletic Camps Summer 2024 | Various Grades ([Registration Link](#))
- Anderson Athletic Boosters Summer Camps 2024 | Various Grades ([Flyer](#) - [Registration Link](#))
- EmpowHer Summer Leadership and Fitness Program | [Informational Flyer](#) & [Registration Info](#)

- [Mental Health Webinar Series directed to parents from the Hamilton County ESC](#). The next event is April 23 and discusses social media and protecting children online.
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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**

### **K-4 Unified Arts Friday Rotation**

Friday, April 26 will be a “Monday.”

**April 22**

**April 23**

- Ohio State Test for 5th and 6th Grade Math (9:30-11:00)
- Wilson News Crew 3:45 to 5:00 pm

### **April 24**

- Ohio State Test for 5th and 6th Grade Math (9:30-11:00)

### **April 25**

- Ohio State Test for 3rd and 4th Grade Math (9:30-11:00)
- Second Grade Field Trip to Anderson Living History
- Wear Green for Mental Health
- Big Ash Event from 6:00 to 10:00 pm to support Mental Health (Forest Hills Foundation for Education)

### **April 26**

- Ohio State Test 3rd and 4th Grade Math (9:30-11:00)