

August 8, 2025

As we tick closer to the first day of school our excitement continues to build each day. This week there has been a steady stream of teachers in and out of Wilson each day as they work to set the stage for a year filled with growth and discovery. It's particularly fun for us to see their excitement as they get ready to welcome a new group of students into their classrooms.

Next week we look forward to welcoming the Class of 2038 into the building for the first time! Our incoming Kindergarten students will be on campus Tuesday for screenings (see the information below if you haven't signed up for an appointment). It's always so much fun to welcome the newest Wildcats to Wilson and share in their excitement!

We have a lot of important information in our parent update each week. This week's information is nearly identical to last week, but going forward the updates will not be as repetitive. We know how busy families are, but we would certainly appreciate you taking the time to read through all we have to share with you.

Take care,

Erin and Brian

### **Building Information**

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#### **Kindergarten Screenings**

Kindergarten screenings are set for Tuesday, August 12. If you have not yet signed up for an appointment, please do so here: [www.myconferencetime.com/wilson](http://www.myconferencetime.com/wilson). The screenings are not necessary for students in the district's Extended Support Classroom (ESC).

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### **Back to School Bash (Open House)**

We will host our Back to School Bash on Tuesday, August 19 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. Things are typically less crowded towards the end of the open house.

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### **New Family Orientation**

If your family is new to Wilson (this doesn't include our Kindergarten families), we will host a brief new family orientation on August 19 from 6:00pm to 6:30 pm in the Wilson iLab. Both parents and students are encouraged to attend. During this orientation, our new students will have a short activity and an opportunity to tour the building with our Sixth Grade Ambassadors while the new parents spend time learning more about Wilson and operational logistics.

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### **Medication Drop-Off for the 25-26 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](#)

Please bring your students medication in the original, labeled container along with the completed medication permission form signed by the physician and parent.

Hope Grau, our Health Aide, will be at Wilson on Tuesday, August 19 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am and from 1:30 to 3:00 pm. She will also be at Wilson on Wednesday, August 20 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am and 1:30 to 3:00 pm for you to drop off your child's medication.

Mrs. Grau will also be available from 4:30 to 6:00 pm at our Back to School Bash on August 19. After these drop off times, medication can be brought to the health office during school hours.

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### **2025-2026 Academic Calendar**

The entire calendar for next year is available here: [25-26 CALENDAR](#).

Phase-in Days will take place in the following order:

- August 21, 2025: Last names A-L
- August 22, 2025: Last names M-Z
- August 25, 2025: All students report

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### **Wilson School Supply List**

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. [Wilson Supply List 2025-2026](#)

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### **Wilson Cub Scout Pack 867**

Interested in joining Cub Scouts? The first Pack meeting of the school year is Tuesday, August 26th, at 6:30pm at Clough United Methodist Church- 2010 Wolfangel Rd.

Join us to learn more, register your scout, and participate in olympic style games!

The Scouts welcome K-5th grade boys and girls!

Contact [wilsonpack867@gmail.com](mailto:wilsonpack867@gmail.com) or [kglaser09@gmail.com](mailto:kglaser09@gmail.com) for more information.

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### **PTO NEWS**

#### **Join the PTO for the 25/26 School Year!**

The Wilson PTO supports our wonderful school, enhances student experience, and fosters community. Joining does not mean you have to volunteer (but we would LOVE to have you!). You get access to the directory and access to PTO communications.

Sign up before or at the Back to School Bash and receive a Willie Magnet! [CLICK HERE](#) to update your info, join the PTO (\$12), and complete the PTO emergency form (required to participate in PTO-sponsored activities).

## **PTO General Meetings**

PTO meetings will be on Tuesdays! We would love to have you join us for our first meeting on September 16th at 7:00pm in the Wilson iLab.

## **PTO Event Shirts**

PTO provides t-shirts for students to wear during special events such as Walkathon and field trips. In an effort to save on costs, we will be reusing the design from previous years (blue shirt with "Wilson Wildcats" on the front). Please fill out the form below for each student ONLY if they need a shirt. Note: ALL 6TH grade students need to order a shirt since it will be different from last year.

[Event t-shirt order form](#)

## **2025-2026 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). If interested, please fill out the form in the link below. The max of two room reps will be assigned per teacher.

[Room Rep Volunteer Sign-Up](#)

For any questions please reach out to Jill Munninghoff at [Jillian.Groszek@gmail.com](mailto:Jillian.Groszek@gmail.com)

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## **Back to School Supply Kits**

If your family ordered school supply kits last spring, those supplies will be delivered to your child's classroom for the Back to School Bash (August 19).

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## **District Information**

### **Transportation Update for 2025-2026**

FHSD is implementing a new routing software that will help improve the department's efficiency and better serve families who utilize school bus services. Families will receive an email notification from Stopfinder, the new routing system, with their child's route information by mid-August. Please understand that based on the amount of route adjustments that take place in August, it is impossible to provide more detailed information at an earlier time.

### **Reminder About Online Payment Options**

As a convenience to families, FHSD offers online payment options for things like school fees, lunch balances and more. PaySchools Central includes a credit/debit card processing fee with each transaction, but charges a lower fee to process an online ACH payment made with checking account information. [You can learn more about those fees here.](#)

**People who wish to avoid additional charges while paying academic/school fees or lunch balances are always welcome to pay by cash or check, and they can send their payment directly to their student's school.** You can learn about online payment options and find instructions on paying by cash/check on our [Online Payments webpage here.](#)

### **Back-to-School Pet Adoption & Community Event @ Sherwood**

The Sherwood Arrows of Kindness service initiative is partnering with the League for Animal Welfare to sponsor a special adoption event. The Sherwood PTO invites the whole community to join us to celebrate the new school year! Grab donuts and coffee, snuggle with adoptable dogs and cats, and check out local pet vendors.

**The event will be held at Sherwood Elementary on Saturday, Aug. 23, from 10am-1pm!**

### **Turpin Cheer Youth Camp**

All children in grade K-8 are invited to participate in the Turpin Cheer Youth Camp on August 20 & 21! Participants will be able to perform at the Turpin football game on August 22! This camp is led by the wonderful THS cheerleaders, and registration information [can be found at this link](#).

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

The Forest Hills Foundation for Education is seeking [nominations of alumni from Anderson and Turpin High Schools](#) who have distinguished themselves in their lives and in their careers. We are also seeking [nominations of a FHSD staff member](#) who has distinguished him/herself and gone above and beyond for students in Forest Hills. Submit your nominations for Distinguished Alumni or Staff by August 15. All recipients will be honored on Friday, October 3 during the Distinguished Alumni & Staff Luncheon at Ivy Hills Country Club and at the Anderson vs. Turpin football game that evening at Turpin High School.

### **Community Events**

[Click here to visit the flyers page](#) to learn more about opportunities like:

- [Anderson Township Youth Sports back-to-school shopping coupon](#)
- Forest Hills Lady Hawks Basketball: Calling all 3rd–6th grade girls who love basketball! Registration for the 2025–2026 season is now open! [Link to register for evaluations on Sept. 6.](#)

## Upcoming Events

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### **Aug. 12**

- Kindergarten Screenings 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

### **Aug. 18**

- Teacher PD (No School for Students)
- Kindergarten Information Night 5:30 pm in Wilson Gym

### **Aug. 19**

- Teacher PD (No School for Students)
- Back to School Bash 4:30 to 6:30 pm
- New Family Orientation 6:00 to 6:30 pm

### **Aug. 20**

- Teacher Work Day (No School for Students)

### **Aug. 21**

- Phase-In Day for Students (Last Names A-L Only)

### **Aug. 22**

- Phase-In Day for Students (Last Names M-Z Only)

### **Aug. 25**



- First Day of School for ALL Students