

October 16, 2026

Wilson Families,

We have an exciting weekend ahead, and we are ready to celebrate all the fun happening at Wilson! Our Rock the Walk Walkathon is TODAY, and we are super pumped to walk through a Wilson neighborhood, enjoy frozen treats, and take part in all the amazing activities our PTO has planned for our Wildcats. A huge thank-you to our PTO and volunteers for making this special day possible! Our 6th graders will also participate in a Color Run after school, giving them extra time to connect with peers, make memories, and have some fun!

We hope you'll be able to join us for Wilson Fall Fest on Sunday from 4:30–6:30 PM! This is always a wonderful opportunity to connect with other Wilson families and friends while enjoying food, games, and fun. We hope to see you there!

Looking ahead to next week, our kindergarten students will head to Shaw Farms on Tuesday for a fun fall field trip! Shaw Farms offers a festive fall experience where students can enjoy seasonal activities and explore the farm. On Wednesday and Thursday, our third graders will take the Fall ELA Ohio State Tests (OST). Please help your child feel ready by making sure they get plenty of rest and enjoy a good breakfast on both testing days.

Our 4th–6th grade performers will bring *Willy Wonka Kids* to the stage for its debut on Thursday evening at the Anderson Town Center at 5:45 PM, with additional performances on Friday and Saturday. We are excited to see our Wildcats shine! More information about the performances is included below.

Thank you for being such an important part of our Wilson community. We hope you have a wonderful weekend filled with fun, laughter, and time with family and friends. Go, Wildcats!

Take care,

Erin and Brian

Building Information

Fall Fest: THIS Sunday (October 18) from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Come connect, laugh, and make memories with our wonderful Wilson families! Join us for an evening filled with food, games, and fun for everyone!

Volunteers Needed! Help make this event a success by signing up for just one 1-hour shift. Nagel and high school students are welcome to volunteer, too! Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/4dLdqeU>

Bus Evacuation Training

As buses arrive on campus Monday morning, the bus drivers will spend some time with the students practicing bus safety drills. Part of the drill will include the proper way to evacuate the bus. The training should conclude by 9:20am.

Willy Wonka Kids 4th-6th Grade School Production

Students will perform Willy Wonka Kids Thursday, October 22 through Saturday, October 24. Information has been in the PTO PawPrint. Show times are below:

- Thursday, October 22 at the Anderson Town Center at 5:45pm
 - Friday, October 23 at the Anderson Town Center at 7:15pm
 - Saturday, October 24 at the Anderson Town Center at 12:00pm
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IPM ALL IN Food Drive- Now until October 21!

Our ALL IN collection kicked off this week and runs until Wednesday October 21st. This year, IPM would like our help assembling Thanksgiving boxes. Any item is welcome, but Wilson has been assigned the following food items: canned pumpkin puree, crispy fried onions, evaporated milk, and chicken broth. We are also accepting any other non-perishable food items as well as personal care items. Let's come together to help our neighbors and families in our community this holiday season!

If it's easier, you are always welcome to send things directly to school through an [Amazon Wish List](#).

Halloween Parade

Our Halloween parade will be on Friday, October 30 at 9:30 am in the bus loop (weather permitting). Students are welcome to wear their costumes to school for the day. Please be advised that students are not permitted to wear or bring weapons, masks, something gory, or anything that poses a safety hazard. We also ask that costumes not be too scary as Mr. Lyons frightens easily.

As a reminder, we kindly ask that all friends and family remain on the hill near the outdoor learning space during the parade.

Halloween Parties

We will have our Halloween parties on Friday, October 30. Each grade level will schedule their parties at a time that works best for them. Parent Room Reps will be reaching out soon to help coordinate.

Third Grade State Testing

Third graders will take the first round of the Ohio State Test (OST) for English Language Arts (Reading) on Wednesday and Thursday (October 21 and 22) from 9:30-11:30. Any third graders who arrive after testing has begun will have to wait in the office until their class is finished testing.

Art Volunteers

Mrs. Fender is looking for some parents to help the second graders with their clay projects next week. [Art Volunteer Sign-Ups](#)

Parent-Teacher Conferences

If you missed last week's conferences, many of our teachers still have availability on November 2 throughout the day (8:00am to 8:00pm). To sign up, please visit www.myconferencetime.com/wilson

Walkathon *Rock the Walk* Activities on Friday, October 16, 2026

- [Walk and Party schedule](#)
 - Route:
 - The route will be the same as in previous years. Exit from the main doors and along the bus loop to Little Dry Run. Turn left and go east on Little Dry Run. Turn left and go north on Montchateau (stay on the sidewalk on the west side of the street).
 - Kindergarten: Turn around at Hillridge.
 - 1st & 2nd: Turn around at Montridge where the sidewalk ends.
 - 3 through 6: Turn around in the cul-de-sac just past Montridge.
 - Rock the Walk Party:
 - The grade level party will be held in the front lawn near the outdoor classroom. PTO volunteers will run each activity, but teachers should help monitor students. There is no set rotation between activities.
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Lunch with Students

Now that we're into October, we'd like to welcome families looking to celebrate special occasions with their Wildcats back into the cafeteria. [RECESS/LUNCH SCHEDULES](#)

Wilson Cafeteria Volunteers

It is really helpful to have volunteers in the cafeteria, as it's a big job for Mr. C to keep everything moving and clean. Any help you can provide is greatly appreciated, especially for the younger grades!

- October Lunch Volunteer Sign Ups [LINK](#)
- November Lunch Volunteer Sign Ups [LINK](#)

As with any volunteering opportunity within the school, it is our expectation that you remain in the area for which you are volunteering.

Counselor's Corner

Wilson Way Teams

We kicked off our Wilson Way Teams with our first quarterly theme, "Create"! Our Wilson Way Teams are designed to foster cross-grade belonging and connection where student-led teams work together. This week, teams worked together to build their unique team name based on values they want to be known for. We look forward to our next session in December, where teams will focus on building deeper connections with one another!

Wilson PTO

Kroger Community Rewards

Please select Wilson PTO for your Kroger Community Rewards. We raised over [\\$4000](#) last year from this passive fundraiser

Wilson can be added to your Kroger.com account under:

Profile Name: My Account/Community Rewards

Organization Name: Wilson Elementary PTO

Organization Number: VE662

[Visual Link](#)

October Restaurant Nights

Support our Wilson PTO and take a night off cooking by grabbing dinner at our restaurant nights this month! Don't forget to mention that you're there for WILSON.

Tuesday, Oct. 20 : Skyline [Salem Rd, 5pm - 9pm]

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS STARTING IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

[Crafty Makers](#) (Grades 1-4) - WEDNESDAYS: Oct. 7, 14, 21, & 28, 3:50-5PM | Hands-on STEAM-based arts, crafts, and maker projects! ([Register Here](#))

PIVO Academy Futsal - Session 2 (Grades K-6) - WEDNESDAYS: Nov. 4 - Dec. 16, 3:50-4:50PM (skipping Nov. 25) | Develop ball control, foot skills, and futsal IQ with Cincy SC coaches! ([Register Here](#))

Enriching Kidz: Better Babysitters (Grades 5-6) - MONDAYS: Nov. 9, 16, 30 & Dec. 7, 3:45- 6:15PM | Practical life skills, safety, first aid basics, and infant/child care. ([Register Here](#))

Jewelry Making with Miss Tracey (Grades 1-3) - TUESDAYS: Nov. 10 & 17, 3:45 - 5:00 PM
Create necklaces, earrings, bracelets, and keychains for yourself or gifts! (Register by emailing actlikeakid@outlook.com)

Volleyball Enrichment - Session 2 (Grades K-6) - FRIDAYS: Nov. 20 - Jan. 15, 3:50 - 5PM | Fundamentals, game play, and teamwork with Mrs. Player! (Register by emailing brandiplayer2@gmail.com and Venmo'ing @Brannon-Player2727)

Cool Critters Outreach (Grades K-6) - MONDAYS: Nov. 16, 30 & Dec. 7, 3:45 - 4:45 PM
Hands-on learning with live rescued animals exploring adaptations, habitats, and responsible pet care! ([Register Here](#) by clicking on Willie the Wildcat)

District Information

Digital Literacy, Parenting Tips, College Affordability, Puberty and More!

Don't miss out on AMAZING learning opportunities and HELPFUL tips and tricks at FHSD's Parent Academy Night on Oct. 26. The event takes place from 6:30-8 p.m. at Nagel MS.

- [Click here for the full schedule of speakers!](#)
- [Click here to register for the event!](#)
- [Click here to learn more about the October Parent Academy!](#)

Special thanks to the Forest Hills Foundation for Education for sponsoring the evening and helping us provide a light meal and childcare to attendees.

Superintendent Listening Sessions!

We hope you will join us for a listening session with Superintendent Suzanna Davis! There will be opportunities for families and staff to participate at each school, and flexibility to attend different sessions depending on what's best for your schedule! [Visit our website for a full list of events and more details.](#)

Seeds of Inspiration Awards!

Congratulations to our AMAZING September Seeds of Inspiration Honorees!

- Culture Builder Award: Corey Forsee, Ayer Head Custodian
- Innovator Award: James Glaser, Turpin Science Teacher
- Student Champion Award: Alex Liston, Nagel ELA Teacher

[***Please use this form to submit new nominations!***](#) We are looking at each month separately and providing all nominees for each month with a special recognition so they can read what was submitted about them. The goal is to spread a lot of kindness all year long! You can learn more about the September honorees [in this article on our website.](#)

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

Join us for a fun party on 11/7 at Mojave East as we support ALL Forest Hills students! Under the Stars (formerly Denim & Diamonds) is in 3 weeks and you don't want to miss it. There will be a silent & live auction, live music, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Space is limited so [purchase your tickets](#) today!

School Safety Month: Bus Stop Safety

October is School Safety Month in Ohio! This week we want to offer some friendly reminders for bus stop safety. The NHTSA recommends following the SAFE acronym:

- Stay at least 10 feet (or five big steps) away from the curb while waiting.
- Always wait until the bus comes to a stop and the driver says it is OK to board.
- Face forward after sitting down on the bus.
- Exit the bus after it comes to a stop. Cross in front of the bus after looking both ways and the bus driver signals it is okay to cross.

THANK YOU to our bus drivers, students and parents/guardians for working together to make sure everyone gets to and from school safely each day.

Community Events

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

- [Cincinnati Royals Rugby](#): Teenage rugby teams in Greater Cincinnati with the opportunity to play in Australia.
 - [Inspiring Purpose Turnk or Treat](#) | October 17 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 - [Anderson Hills Kiwanis 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament](#) | Sunday, October 25
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K-4 Unified Arts Rotation

Friday, October 23 is a "Tuesday."

Friday, October 30 is a "Wednesday."

Friday, November 6 is a "Tuesday."

Upcoming Events

Oct. 18

- Fall Fest 4:30-6:30 at Wilson

Oct. 19

- Bus evacuation training during morning arrival

Oct. 20

- Kindergarten Field Trip to Shaw Farms
- PTO Restaurant Night: Skyline
- Blue Card Kickball 4th through 6th Grade at 2:30 pm and 3:00pm

Oct. 21

- 3rd Grade ELA OST Part 1

Oct. 22

- 3rd Grade ELA OST Part 2
- Willy Wonka Kids (Anderson Town Center) 5:45 pm

Oct. 23

- Willy Wonka Kids (Anderson Town Center) 7:15 pm

Oct. 24

- Willy Wonka Kids (Anderson Town Center) 12:00 pm