October 24, 2025

Wilson Families,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our PTO meeting on Tuesday evening. We know weeknights are extremely busy for families, so we appreciate the added support and involvement. Next month's PTO meeting (Nov. 18) will be virtual.

Our third graders did a great job working hard on their OST in Language Arts. The state assessment can be challenging, and it makes for a long morning, but they pushed through, stayed focused, and took the time to check over their work. Great job!

Report cards and CogAT scores (4th graders) are going home today, so please be on the lookout for those in your child's backpack.

We're also looking forward to seeing everyone's Halloween costumes next Friday!

Take care,

Erin and Brian

Building Information

Volunteers/Donations Needed for Parent-Teacher Conferences
Please help feed our wonderful staff on November 3rd for an
amazing parent-teacher conference day and night.
Parent-Teacher Conference Donations

4th grade and Small Group Testing- CogAT: Interpreting Your Report CogAT reports are coming home today. Students in grades K-3 who are identified as superior cognitive receive gifted services from their classroom teacher in the general education classroom. Students in grades 4-6 who are identified as superior cognitive receive gifted services from the Gifted Intervention Specialist in ELO Math Plus. If you have any questions, please contact our gifted specialist, Tiffany NeCamp. More details about gifted service can be found at https://www.foresthills.edu/departments/student-services/gifted-education/. In addition, this is a video you can watch on how to interpret the CogAT results.

Pink Spirit Day and Staff Support Making Strides/American Cancer Society

On Thursday, October 30, Wilson Wildcats are invited to wear pink to show their love and support for Wilson families and staff who have been impacted by cancer. Wilson staff will be making a donation to **Making Strides with the American Cancer Society** in honor of all those who have been affected by this disease.

Veterans Day Concert

We would like to invite all families to join us for our Veterans' Concert on Monday, November 10th at Wilson School.

5th Grade Choir will perform at 6:00 PM

6th Grade Choir will perform at 7:00 PM

During our Veterans Day Choir Concert, we will be collecting cash donations and material donations (such as full-size candy bars and individual snack bags like pretzels or chips) to benefit the Ohio Veterans Home, a nursing facility that provides care and support for military veterans.

This cause is especially meaningful to our Wilson community, as our own custodian, Mr. Larry Bolender, is actively involved with the Ohio Veterans Home. We are grateful for your kindness and generosity as we come together to honor and support those who have served our country.

If you are unable to attend the concert, but would like to make a donation, you may drop off any cash donations or material donations to the main office. We will be taking donations through Friday, November 14.

Halloween Parade

Our Halloween parade will be on Friday, October 31st 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.

Halloween Parties

We will have our Halloween parties on Friday, October 31st. 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.

Shrek Kids

Tickets for Shrek Kids are available online at <u>pai.seatyourself.biz</u> for \$8/each. Anyone sitting in their own seat will need a ticket.

The show dates and times are

- Wed 10/22 7:00pm
- Fri 10/24 7:15pm
- Sat 10/25 6:30pm

No tickets will be sold in person at the door, you will still need to go online and purchase them.

All ticketing questions, including accessible seating requests can be directed to cheryl@performingartsinc.net

Parent Teacher Conferences

The fall conference portal is now accepting appointments for November 3. To schedule a conference, please visit www.myconferencetime.com/wilson and click on the appropriate grade level(s).

Lunch Menu for October

- OCTOBER LUNCH MENU
 - Link for <u>ALL BUILDING MENUS</u>

Kdg & First Grade Cafeteria Helpers

If you're interested in volunteering, please use this link to sign up for October, November and December.

October: <u>LINK</u>
November: <u>LINK</u>
December: <u>LINK</u>

Volunteers/Chaperones

If you are interested in volunteering in classrooms, the copy room, or on field trips, you must complete a background check through the district's Raptor System. Background checks are good for 5 years. If you are unsure if your background check is up to date, please contact Lynn in the main office.

 Complete online process via Raptor System (includes background check).

Counselor's Corner Holiday Time Support

I know Halloween is just around the corner, but the holidays will be here before we know it! I wanted to reach out early to let you know about some wonderful opportunities to receive support for your family this holiday season. Christmas Gift Programs: Two organizations are offering gift-giving programs for families in our school community:

9United's Shop and Share Program

- Local shoppers will select gifts based on your family's preferences
- Typical gift budget: approximately \$75 per child
- Many shoppers shop at Target, so please keep that in mind when providing details

Anderson Hills United Methodist Church (AHUMC)

- Provides individual gifts for children
- Also provides family gifts and a holiday meal
- You are welcome to participate in both programs!

How to Participate: If you're interested in receiving gifts for your children through either or both programs, please complete the information form below with as much detail as possible. The more specific you can be about your children's interests, ages, sizes, and preferences, the better our shoppers can find gifts they will truly love!

Additional Support: In addition to Christmas giving, we will also have Thanksgiving meal boxes available if you're interested. Please complete the form below for this as well.

Confidentiality: Please know that all names and information will be kept confidential. This is about supporting our families and ensuring all children have a special holiday experience.

Deadline: Please return completed forms by Friday, October 31st.

If you have any questions or would like to participate, please contact me directly. We're here to support your family.

Holiday Time Support 2025

October- Bully Prevention Month

This is National Bullying Prevention Month, and we know that bullying has a negative impact on kids' mental health. Here are some brief Parent Help articles:

- <u>Bullying in Kids: What Parents Need to Know and How to Help</u> (Nakeia Hudson, LISW-S, MBA; Ariana Hoet, PhD)
- Cyberbullying What Is It and How to Help Protect Kids (Jay Chinn, PhD)

There will be opportunities for support throughout this year, including scholarships for Enrichment Classes. If you are interested, please contact me directly or <u>fill out this confidential</u> form.

Just ask! Please reach out to me if I can do anything for your family. Smiles

Jean Bode jeanbode@foresthills.edu

PTO NEWS

<u>Before / After-School Enrichment Programs</u>

Check out the before and after-school learning opportunities and make sure to communicate with your student's teacher if they are participating in a program!

THURSDAYS, Oct. 30 - Dec. 11, 3:45 - 5:00

A second chance to learn the ins and outs of tennis and pickleball!

<u>PIVO Academy 2</u> - WEDNESDAYS, Nov. 5 - Dec. 17, 3:45 - 4:45 Futsal skill-building with games and belts! Grades 1-6.

<u>Enriching Kidz: Better Babysitters</u> - MONDAYS, Nov. 10 - Dec. 1, 3:45 - 6:15

For students in grades 5th - 6th interested in learning the ins and outs of babysitting!

<u>Jewelry Making</u> - TUESDAYS, Nov. 11 - 25, 3:45 - 5:00 For students in grades 1st - 3rd ready to use their creativity to make their own jewelry!

<u>Cool Critters</u> - MONDAYS, Nov. 17, 24, Dec. 1, 3:45 - 4:45 Get the chance to learn about and hold some unique and exotic animals!

QSA Training - MONDAYS, Dec. 1 - Feb. 23, 3:45 - 4:45 Have fun while being active and learning the best techniques for safety and growth!

Restaurant Nights

Support the Wilson PTO, local businesses, and make dinner easy by stopping by one of these restaurant nights! Don't forget to mention Wilson!

Wednesday, Oct. 29: GoldStar / Tom&Chee 4pm - Close *must order online*

Upcoming PTO Events

Wilson's "Wicked" Girls VIP Dance Saturday, November 22, 2025 (6:00-8:30pm)

Wilson Bowling Club 2025-2026

LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL! GET READY TO BOWL!

8 Week Session: Thursdays, 4:15 - 5:30 pm

February 5th - March 26th

Where: Cherry Grove Lanes, 4005 Hopper Hill Road

Who: ALL Wilson Kids

Bumper Bowling: K - 3rd Grade Regular Bowling: 4th - 6th grade

Cost: \$75.00

This is a Wilson Elementary PTO-sponsored event.

Registration and Payment are only being accepted through the STORE tab in the PTO Membership Toolkit.

INFORMATION, REGISTRATION and PAYMENT can be found in the link below:

<u>Click Here for the Bowling Club Flyer To Register and Make</u> Payment Registration and payment are due by January 29, 2026 or until spots are filled.

Once payment is received and teams are finalized, parents will be contacted by email to confirm enrollment and team placement. Questions? Contact Tracy Tekulve (tracytek3@gmail.com, 513-307-1939)

District Information

Get Tips, Tricks, Advice and Support at Parent Academy | Nov. 13 Don't miss out on topics like screen usage for young children, raising children in a digital world, College Credit Plus, bullying prevention and SO MUCH MORE! Register now for FHSD Parent Academy, our learning series dedicated to topics that matter to YOU and are relevant for families with students of all ages.

- Thursday, November 13 from 6:30-8 p.m.
- Nagel Middle School
- Click here to view the full schedule of speakers.
- Click here to register for the event.

Once again, thank you to the <u>Forest Hills Foundation for Education</u> for sponsoring the evening and helping us provide a light meal and childcare to attendees.

Ohio School Safety Month | Safer Ohio School Tip Line

As a reminder to our entire school community, anyone with concerns related to school safety can report that information to the **Safer Ohio** School Tip Line by calling or texting 844-SaferOH (844-723-3764) 24 **hours a day, 7 days a week**. Calls or texts are answered by analysts within Ohio Homeland Security who immediately forward information to local school officials, law enforcement agencies and the Ohio School Safety Center (OSSC) for action and follow up if necessary. If you or your child become aware of a safety concern outside school hours, whether it be a threat of violence, unusual behavior, suicidal comments, bullying etc., please do not wait to report that information. Every minute can be critical when it comes to student safety, and reporting concerns to 844-723-3764 or by dialing 911 is the quickest way to allow our law enforcement partners and school administrators to fully investigate the situation. You can learn more about the Tip Line by visiting its website here. A link to the Tip Line is prominently displayed on www.foresthills.edu underneath the main homepage images.

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

We are only 3 weeks away from our fundraiser party, Denim & Diamonds -- and you only have one week left to <u>get your early bird tickets</u>. Prices go up by \$25 starting 11/1. There will be food, drink, live entertainment, a live and silent auction...and lots of fun! Join us for the party of the season -- you don't want to miss this!

4th Grade Families: Take Advantage of History Pass for Free Museum Entry

Did you know the America 250-Ohio Commission supports a Fourth Grade History Pass? This allows fourth grade students in Ohio to visit different museums across the state free of charge with a paying adult? Locally, this includes the Cincinnati Museum Center, Tri-State Warbird Museum and several other great spots. Learn more and print off the pass here.

Community Events

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

- Anderson Middies Lacrosse Fall Open Fields | Oct. 25 & Nov. 8
- October "Mental Health Moment" from Necco

Upcoming Events

K-4 Unified Arts Rotation

Friday, October 31 will be a "Thursday." Friday, November 7 will be a "Tuesday."

Oct. 27

Oct. 28

Oct. 29

Oct. 30

Oct. 31

- Halloween Parade 9:30 am
- Halloween Parties (throughout the day)