We had a great turnout at our annual Fall Fest this past Sunday! We're thankful the rain stayed away long enough for us to play outside! Thank you to the PTO for hosting a fun evening!

We are so excited to launch our Wilson Way Teams this year! The Wilson Way Teams will give students opportunities to connect across grade levels, practice teamwork, and celebrate our school values together. Today in our Wilson Way Teams each Wildcat will receive a small index card and write down what it means to "Be a Good Friend". In our lesson today we will talk about the qualities that make a strong friendship, discuss why it can sometimes be hard to stand up for others, and share ideas for how we can support one another. Students will also read the book One by Kathryn Otoshi, which will lead into a conversation about kindness and courage.

On Thursday, October 2, Wilson will host its annual Walk/Bike to School Day in partnership with Anderson Township and the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. Township staff, including the Fire & Rescue Department, along with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, will be on hand to support our Wildcats and to help remind motorists to be aware of children on nearby sidewalks and crosswalks. If you live too far from Wilson to walk, please consider driving to a closer spot or friend's house and walking the rest of the way!

Finally, our annual Walkathon will take place on Friday, October 3, and we are looking forward to the energy and spirit this event always brings to our school community. Thank you for your continued partnership—we can't wait to see many of you at these upcoming events!

Take care, Erin and Brian

Building Information

Walkathon

The Wildcats are RULING the Walk! Way to go! We are getting close to our goal, so keep up the fundraising this weekend and next week. If we meet our school goal, we'll have a walkathon party for all students to enjoy including <u>Luigi's italian ice pops</u>, a DJ, bounce houses and inflatables, games and fun! >>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: walkathon party Note: company matching gifts count toward your student's goals!

If we exceed our goal, PTO will pick TWO daily prize winners. All funds above our goal will allow us to fund permanent things to the school, requested by students, parents and staff, like the swings we added to the playground last year. SUBMIT IDEAS HERE.

The Walkathon happens October 3rd! Parents can watch students walk along Montchateau --> CLICK HERE for the walking schedule. Note, only parents who are registered to volunteer and have a badge will be allowed on campus for walkathon.

Our school fundraising total, the top class, top grade level, daily prize winner and TOP 100 students will all be announced in school as well as on the PTO website here: https://www.wilson-pto.org/walkathon!

Parent Teacher Conferences

The fall conference portal is now accepting appointments. Conferences are scheduled for the evening of October 9, and throughout the day on November 3. To schedule a conference, please visit www.myconferencetime.com/wilson and click on the appropriate grade level(s).

6th Grade W Picture

Our 6th grade W picture will be on Friday, October 17 at 9:30 am. 6th graders should wear their 6th grade t-shirts for the picture. Shirts should be delivered to school in early October.

Lunch Menu for September

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

Kdg & First Grade Cafeteria Helpers

As our youngest Wildcats settle into the new school it's extremely helpful to have additional adults in the cafeteria to support students. If you're interested in volunteering, please use this link to sign up: **September Lunch Helper sign up.**

LINK

Counselor's Corner

PLEASE <u>read about the Council on Child Abuse Presentations</u> on Oct. 2nd, 6th, and 7th. Please contact Mrs. Sines or me if you have any questions or if you do not want your child to attend.

Would you like your child to participate in a small group focusing on grief with Fernside? I am coordinating with Fernside to come to Wilson for a small group during the school day. Please contact me for more information.

In addition, there are support groups outside of school: Fernside Grief Support Group Opportunity

Did you know that twice a month, Immaculate Heart of Mary (located about 5 minutes from Summit) hosts a Fernside grief support group? After a pizza dinner, children and teens ages 3-18 meet with others close to their age while their parents/guardians also meet. The family program offers a solid foundation to guide you and your family in navigating grief through connection, communication, and expressive arts. Register on their website, call (513) 246-9140, or email fernside@trihealth.com for more information.

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 form.</u>

Just ask! Please reach out to me if I can do anything for your family. Smiles Use Jean Bode jeanbode@foresthills.edu

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).

Lunch with Students

We are excited that our families are able to have lunch with our Wildcats, and we love having our families in the building. In saying that, it is important that our students have time to adjust to the routines and procedures at school while building relationships with their teachers and peers. Families will be able to begin eating lunch with their Wildcats starting Monday, September 29. Below is the lunch schedule so you can plan accordingly. We appreciate your understanding and support! Click here to see the daily lunch schedule: 2025-2026 RECESS AND LUNCH SCHEDULE.

PTO NEWS

Before / After-School Enrichment Programs

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! <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!

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!

Tuesday, Sept. 30 : Skyline (@ Salem) 5-9pmSunday, Oct. 12 : NVT Pizza & Brew 10am-8pm

Upcoming PTO Events

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

Wilson PTO Room Reps Communication OPT OUT

Wilson PTO Room Reps will communicate with homerooms to share information on parties, class events, etc. If you want to OPT OUT of communications from them, please fill out this form by Sept 30.

District Information

REGISTER NOW: FHSD Parent Academy Returns Oct. 16

Our popular Parent Academy series returns on Thursday, Oct. 16 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Nagel Middle School! It's an evening designed for parents with students of all ages. Topics include digital literacy, puberty and human development, executive functioning, college affordability, navigating IEPs and much more!

- Click here for the full schedule of speakers!
- Click here to register for the event!

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

Ohio School Report Card "Exceeds State Standards"

FHSD earned a 4.5-star overall rating in the 2024-25 Ohio School Report Cards that were recently released! This indicates that the district "exceeds state standards" based on the district's performance in six key areas of measurement. The overall rating places FHSD in the top 12% of school districts across the entire state! Click here to read a more detailed breakdown that includes information on the different areas measured by the state and specific topics FHSD is focused on improving.

Latest News from FHSD

Click the links below to learn more about important topics happening in our school district!

- FHSD Presents Fall 2025 Financial Forecast
- AHS Recognized for Excellence in STEM Education
- Board Meeting Recap for September 2025

Feedback Requested for FHSD Calendar

Parents and guardians are invited to fill out this brief (four questions) online form to provide feedback on the FHSD academic calendar. The survey will close on September 29 and you can access the <u>survey form here</u>.

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

Join us to celebrate the <u>2025 Distinguished Alumni & Staff</u> at the luncheon next Friday, 10/3 at Ivy Hills Country Club. We are excited to honor these outstanding individuals at the luncheon and later that evening during halftime of the Anderson vs. Turpin football game. Register here!

Community Events

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

- XCEL Preseason Basketball Clinic | October 10 | 6-8 p.m.
- Forest Hills Titans Tryouts | September 28
- Necco Mental Health Moment Suicide Prevention Awareness
- Click the flyers webpage link above for information about Scouts, Spanish classes and more.

Elementary Hearing and Visions Screenings

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 will have vision/hearing** screenings on Tuesday, October 14. These screenings are required by law. For more information about the screenings, including how to opt a student out, please <u>click here</u>.

Upcoming Events

K-4 Unified Arts Rotation

Friday, October 3 will be a "Tuesday". Friday, October 17 will be a "Monday".

Sept. 29

• 4th Grade CogAT Practice

Sept. 30

• 4th Grade CogAT

Oct. 1

• 4th Grade CogAT

Oct. 2

- Wilson Walk/Bike to School
- 4th Grade CogAT

Oct. 3

- 4th Grade CogAT Makeups
- Walkathon