

Welcome to Wilson! We are delighted to welcome your family into our school community as your child takes the next step in their education. Kindergarten is a time of incredible growth that's filled with new friendships, budding curiosity, and the joy of discovery. Our passionate, dedicated staff is committed to nurturing every child's potential in a warm and supportive environment. We understand that this transition is a significant moment for your entire family, and we look forward to building a strong partnership with you throughout the years ahead. Please take a moment to review the important information below as we prepare together for a wonderful start to the school year. We truly cannot wait to welcome our newest Wildcats to Wilson!

Kindergarten Screenings - August 4

Each year we request our Kindergarten students to participate in an informal assessment before school begins. **Students enrolled in the Extended Standards Classroom (ESC) do not need to attend screenings.** The assessments provide helpful information in developing class lists (we will share these class lists prior to the Kindergarten Information Night) as well as helping our teachers plan appropriate instruction for the first few weeks of school. Children enter Kindergarten with a broad range of educational experiences and emotional needs. Consequently, we want to ensure each of our new Wildcats is provided the best opportunity to learn and grow with instruction and support that is tailored to their needs.

The Kindergarten Screenings are scheduled to take place on August 4, 2026 from 8:30am until 12:30pm by appointment only. Please visit <https://www.myconferencetime.com/wilson/> and follow the instructions on the page to schedule an appointment. We know some of you will be squeezing in a last minute vacation, so if you are unable to attend it's no problem at all, we'll just use the parent input form (linked below) to guide our placement decisions. We will then administer the assessments to your child during the first week of school. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Administrative Assistant Tyler Hughes in the main office. She can be reached at (513) 231-3240 or via email at tylerhughes@foresthills.edu.

When you arrive for your screening appointment please use the driveway closest to Wolfangel to access the parking lot. We will have a table set up just inside the main entrance (enter the building by the flagpole) for you and your child to check in. At that time one of our teachers will escort your child to one of the Kindergarten classrooms to begin the assessments. While the children are completing the assessments we will ask you to complete the Parent Input Form (linked below) if you haven't done so already. The whole process typically takes between 15-20 minutes.

It is a good idea to begin talking with your child about the assessments so they have an understanding of what will happen. **It's important the children understand that you will not be able to accompany them during the assessment.**

Parent Input Form

In an effort to ensure our teachers are as prepared as possible to receive your Wildcat in Kindergarten, we invite you to complete a form to share important academic, social, and behavioral information. Hard copies of this form will be available during screenings. However, if you prefer to complete the form ahead of time, here is a link to the electronic version: [PARENT INPUT FORM](#)

Class Placements

After the Kindergarten Screenings we will develop class lists for each of our classes. Our goal is to have placements completed and shared in advance of the Kindergarten Information Night on August 4.

Kindergarten Information Night - August 4

Please join us on August 4 at 5:30pm in the Wilson gym for a presentation from our Kindergarten teachers. **This event is intended for parents only.** The Kindergarten teachers will share detailed information regarding daily logistics and answer any questions you may have.

Back to School Bash - August 13

Please join us for an open house celebration as we kick off the 2026-2027 school year! You and your Wildcats are welcome to tour the school building, check out the classrooms, and meet the teachers. The Bash is scheduled for August 13, 2026 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. It is an open house, so feel free to attend whenever it works for your family. An important note about the bash is that you will soon see some communications to the entire school community regarding a "New Family Orientation" to be held the same night. You do not need to attend as you will have your own Orientation/Information night on August 4.

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. [SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS 26-27](#)

FHSD Calendar and Start of School - August 18 or 19 (depending on last name)

Please review the 2026–2027 school calendar to help you plan ahead for the upcoming school year. Students' first day of school will be determined by the first letter of the last name. These "phase-in days" allow our students and teachers a better opportunity to get to know each other.

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

- Aug. 18: Students First Day Last Names M-Z ONLY
- Aug. 19: Students First Day Last Names A-L ONLY
- Aug. 20: First Day of School for ALL Students

[FHSD 2026-2027 Academic Calendar](#)

School Hours

The school day begins at 9:15 am with the morning announcements. Students are dismissed at 3:45 pm. Students are not permitted in the building until 9:00am as school staff are in daily meetings.

General Communications

Every Friday morning we will send a weekly update with news and information for the entire school. If you do not receive an email the first Friday of August, please let Tyler know so we can get you added to the distribution list. These updates will contain a lot of information! If you ever need to refer back to an update they are archived on the Wilson website under [Newsletter](#).

Tuition, School, Fees, and Lunch Account

All school fees, including a student's lunch account, are paid through [PaySchoolsCentral](#). The system will not be opened for the new school year until mid August. If you have any questions about fees, please consult the district's website: [ADK FEES](#). If you have any questions regarding school fees and how to pay them, please contact Sheila Humbert at the District Office (513-231-3600 x2973). Below are the fees for all full day Kindergarten students.

- Full day:
 - Standard \$55 supplies fee for all students.
 - Standard \$75 technology fee for all students.
 - \$87 non refundable registration fee. This registration fee counts towards kindergarten tuition (must be paid prior to the first day of school).
 - \$3255 tuition. Tuition can be paid in nine monthly installments from September through May.
 - All school fees and lunch money can be paid by check, cash or through PaySchoolsCentral. If you pay with a check, you must write a separate check for fees and lunch money.
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Kindergarten Program and Parent Guides

The FHSD Kindergarten program is shaped by the belief that all children are capable, engaged learners who thrive in a child-centered, safe environment. Forest Hills' innovative program is designed to promote discovery and choice, as well as develop the strengths and address the needs of each child, to help students build a strong foundation for future success. See the link for detailed information as well as an excellent FAQ. [KDG PROGRAM GUIDE](#)

The Kindergarten Parent Guide provides a general overview of the types of things students will learn as well as a link to additional district-approved resources and family learning activities. [KDG PARENT GUIDE](#)

Transportation

Families will receive an email notification with their route information by mid-August. The email notification will be delivered via [Stopfinder](#). The email will be delivered to the primary parent/guardian contact. Once you receive the email you will need to activate

your account as soon as possible to access the detailed stop information. Please know that sometimes bus routes may change within the first few weeks of school. If you have specific bussing questions, please contact the Transportation Office at (513) 231-3335.