

Woodbine Community Schools

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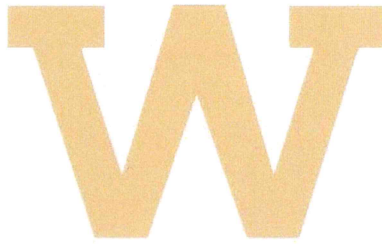
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Dear WCSD Families,

We hope you have had an enjoyable, healthy, and restful summer. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the 25-26 school year. While you were energizing yourself for a new school year, our staff has been hard at work, and we are so excited to see students back in the hallways soon. The school will open officially for students on Monday, August 25th.

Your students are joining an award-winning school district that has created a personalized learning environment, which allows us as a district to maximize each student's potential better than ever before. From an academic perspective, the elementary school scored 20% higher than the state average on literacy and math on the statewide assessment and the secondary scored an incredible 96% college and career readiness rate, which is nearly 30% higher than the state average. Both of these levels place the elementary and secondary schools in the top 5% of schools in these categories in the state. This, coupled with full-time mental health therapists on staff working directly with students on a daily basis and state of the art security, notification, and weapons detection system, your students' academic and physical needs are our top priority. Encompassed within the Woodbine Community School District is the IGNITE Pathways Regional Center. IGNITE is home to over 50 different Career and Technical Education courses with over \$3m in state-of-the-art simulators, which are exposing students to opportunities that are truly changing their lives. From the Marine Corps Junior ROTC program to the multiple state-qualifying activities and athletic teams, we want to thank you for trusting us with your children as we strive to create an unparalleled experience for all.

Below is a letter helping parents/guardians navigate the signing-up process within PowerSchool. Contained within this letter are the steps to gain access to PowerSchool as a parent/guardian if you are new or need to review the steps. Additionally, the school website has more information regarding the back-to-school process, including supply lists for preschool and fifth-eighth grade students. Elementary (TK-4) supplies are ordered in bulk by the school based on need, and all fees will be paid with registration. We cannot begin to tell you how excited we are for the upcoming year and the work that we will continue to do here at Woodbine. We continue to strive to meet the mission and vision of Woodbine Community Schools.



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Mission: Woodbine provides an environment where all are welcome and given access to personalized, unparalleled experiences that will positively shape futures.

Vision: Forging innovative alliances and pathways.

Important Dates below:

The first day of school for all TK-12 students is Monday, August 25th, with preschool and pre-k students returning on Tuesday, Sept 2nd. Below you will see an extended list of important upcoming dates that may impact you. For any PK-4th-grade questions, please contact Jill Ridder at jridder@woodbine.k12.ia.us. For any 5th-12th grade questions, please reach out to Scott Mitchell at smitchell@woodbine.k12.ia.us. For or any PowerSchool-related questions, please see Jeremy Gergen at jgergen@woodbine.k12.ia.us.

July 31 - Registration materials sent via email to parents and guardians

Aug. 14 - 12:00 IWCC Orientation in WCSD Library for students taking IWCC classes

-First opportunity to change any 9th- 12th class schedule

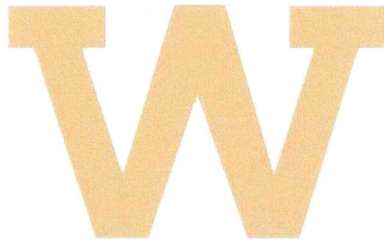
Aug. 19 - NEW student only orientation (5:30 - 6:30 pm - WCSD Media Center)

-This does not include Pre-School students, as they will receive home visits the first week of school.

Aug. 21 - 1:00 - 3:00 - Required training for all students who will be mentoring

Aug. 21 - 4:00 - 6:00 pm - WCSD Open house for all students and parents/guardians. Families of students with the last name beginning with A-M, please attend from 4:00-5:00 pm. Families of students with the last name beginning with N-Z, please attend from 5:00-6:00 pm.





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- 4:00-6:00 pm - IT Office - Computer pick up/upgrade
 - K-4 students will receive their laptops the first week of school
 - All Freshmen - please stop by the IT office to get a chromebook upgrade.
 - Any student in grades 5-12 needing a chrome book, please go to the IT office.
- 4:00-6:00 pm - TEAMMATES will serve dinner for families.

Aug. 22 - Football scrimmage away begins at TBA - Audubon

Aug. 25 - First official day of school for TK-12th grade

-1st official day of Tiger Tot/Latch Key Daycare Program for enrolled students
(Students eating breakfast may report to the commons at 7:45 am, and students not eating breakfast will have supervision on the playgrounds beginning at 7:50 am.) (TK-1 students: South playground by the preschool wing, 2nd-4th grade students: North playground)

- 1st two days are 2-hour early outs (1:20 pm dismissal for K-4, 1:30 pm for 5th-12th)

Sept. 2 - First day for Preschool Students

We appreciate your support as we move into the 25-26 school year. We cannot wait to get underway. Enjoy the last couple of weeks of summer...Go Tigers!

**Be watching for information from Black & Gold on the school website, PowerSchool app, and Facebook page.*

Sincerely,

Justin Wagner: Superintendent

Jill Ridder: Pk-4 Principal/SpEd Director/Tiger Tots & Latchkey Director

Scott Mitchell: 5-12 Principal/Activities Director