

Woodstock Public Schools
One Team. One Purpose. Every Student.

Dear WPS Families,

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year!

A new school year begins with a single, unforgettable first day. On August 24th, our half day will be filled with warm welcomes, renewed connections, and tremendous excitement for everything our students will accomplish together.

We are incredibly excited to welcome our students and families back to Woodstock Public Schools. Our schools are simply not the same without our students filling the classrooms, hallways, cafeterias, playgrounds, and learning spaces with their energy, curiosity, enthusiasm, and joy.

Our teachers, administrators, and staff have been working hard to prepare for their return. We cannot wait to see our students, hear about their summers, reconnect with our families, and begin another year of learning and growth together.

To our returning families, welcome back. To those joining Woodstock Public Schools for the first time, we are so pleased to welcome you to our school community. We are honored that you have entrusted us with your children, and we look forward to building strong, collaborative relationships with you.

A Great Year of Student Growth

Our excitement for the new year is strengthened by the tremendous progress our students made last year across mathematics, reading, and science assessments. More information to follow.

These results represent students who learned more, grew in confidence, overcame challenges, and experienced success. We are incredibly proud of them and deeply grateful to the educators, staff members, and families who supported their growth.

Our commitment remains clear: Every student will demonstrate at least one year of academic growth for every year of instruction.

We want every student to feel welcomed, known, valued, challenged, and supported. We will maintain high academic expectations while ensuring that students have the relationships, encouragement, and support they need to thrive.

Families Are Essential Members of Our Team

Student success is strongest when schools and families work together. You know your children better than anyone, and your partnership is essential.

We are committed to:

- Communicating openly, respectfully, and consistently
- Listening to families and valuing your perspectives
- Working together to solve problems
- Celebrating student effort, progress, and achievement
- Ensuring every child receives the support needed to succeed

We encourage you to remain connected, ask questions, share ideas, and reach out whenever we can support your child or family. Your voice matters, and we want you to feel welcome and connected throughout the year.

We are also excited to introduce an extraordinary group of new educators and staff members who are joining our already exceptional team. This hiring season truly felt like having a first round draft pick with every selection. We cannot wait for our students and families to meet them!

Thank you for choosing Woodstock Public Schools and for allowing us the privilege of educating and supporting your children. We are counting down the days until our students return, and we look forward to making 2026–2027 a joyful, successful, and memorable year for every child.

Welcome back, Woodstock! We cannot wait to see you!

Respectfully,

Christopher Roche
Superintendent, Woodstock Public Schools