WB INTERMEDIATE

Back to School Edition - August 2022

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to school, Warriors! I am Mr. Schlueter, the West Branch Intermediate School Principal. My entire staff and I are looking forward to meeting our new students and parents and to get this school year off to a good start! For those of you who are new to our building I want to let you know that we actually share this building with the West Branch Middle School (grades 5-7). However, we keep the two schools separate, and we are on different schedules.

One concern that may be on many people's minds is the status of Covid-19 restrictions. As of the completion of this newsletter, all Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted by the West Branch Local School District. There are no requirements to wear a mask and we plan to reopen the drinking fountains once they pass a water test. Also, parent volunteers will be allowed to help out in the building. Of course, this could change in the future.

Our goal at West Branch Intermediate School is to continue to provide a top-notch education for all of our students and we were very successful doing that last year. Fortunately, we have amazing teachers who are not only very skilled educators, but they also care for their students. Additionally, our support staff - secretaries, custodians, cafeteria workers, and bus drivers - are second to none. I am very thankful for the hard work they are putting in to prepare the school for their students.

I look forward to meeting you during the Open House on September 6th, and serving you and your children as their principal. If you any questions, feel free to call me at the school at (330) 938-4300 (x37403).

Mark Your Calendars!

- 9/I Class Lists Posted (8:00 am) 9/6 Open House 4:00 – 6:00 pm 9/7 Ist Day of School 9/9 Back to School Bash 9/9 Elementary Night at the Football Game 9/16 Fundraiser Kick-off
- 9/21 Picture Day



Mr. Schlueter

West Branch Local Schools <u>Vision:</u>

Efforts Today, Rewards Tomorrow

Mission Statement:

The mission of the West Branch Local School District is to prepare all students for their tomorrow, today. <u>West Branch Intermediate School</u> 14409 Beloit-Snodes Road Beloit, Ohio 44609

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open house - Tuesday, september 6th from 4:00 - 6:00 pm

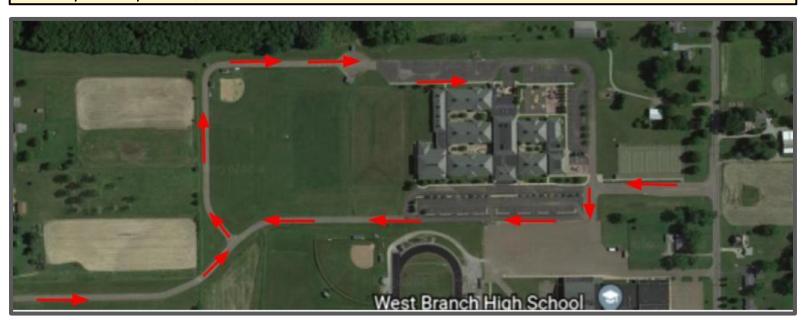
- Come visit the West Branch Intermediate School, meet your child's teachers, and drop off supplies at our <u>Open House</u>.
- The Open House is on September 6th and will last from 4:00 6:00 pm.
- Please enter through the main doors to the right of the main office.
 I will be giving a short welcome to students and parents before entering the building.
- You may also pick up a Car Rider Tag and purchase an extra tag if you need.
- Please complete your Final Forms BEFORE the Open House. You may access Final Forms on the West Branch Local website under the "Parents" tab. Contact Mrs. Elder with any questions at (330) 938-4300.



CAR RIDER PROCEDURES

- School Day: 8:45 3:30
- Doors will open at 8:20 for car riders to enter the building. I recommend students arrive by 8:35 to have time to prepare for the day.
- Car Rider drop-off and pick-up is in the back of the building.
- Please unload your child once your vehicle stops anywhere along the sidewalk <u>Do not wait</u> <u>until you are directly outside the doors</u>.
- In order to facilitate an orderly line-up and smooth pickup of car riders after school, we are implementing the same car pick-up routing system as last year.
 - Cars entering from Ellet Road will turn left at the first drive and circle around the JV softball field to line up.
 - Cars entering from Beloit-Snodes Road will turn left and then right at the stop signs, pass between the middle school and high school parking lots, turn right at the drive, and circle around the JV softball field to line up.
- This will create 1 line for all cars with no need to merge. Please see the below map.

Thank you for your support.

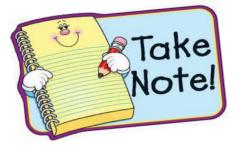




Dress Code

A complete copy is available in the student handbook which can be found on the school website under the "Parents" tab. Please keep in mind the following:

- No pajama pants are permitted
- Hat's/Hoods are not allowed to be worn in the building
- No clothes with excessive holes
- Shorts/Skirts should be fingertip length
- Flip flops are permitted, but other shoes must be sent in for recess and/or gym
- The principal is the final decision maker in all matters concerning the dress code.



No Toys or Electronics

To limit distractions, toys including, but not limited to, spinners, poppets, and pokemon cards are not permitted in the school. Any electronic devices that are sent with students are to remain in their backpacks unless otherwise stated by their teacher.

Any student who does not follow these rules will have the toys/devices taken by the teachers and they will be kept in the office until the parent picks them up. Thank you for your understanding in helping to create classrooms conducive to learning!



New Counselor

I want to welcome our new school counselor, Ms. Hoover. She comes to us with a wealth of experience in various school positions. She is very excited to meet our VVest Branch Intermediate students and their families at the upcoming Open House. Be sure to say hellol



Car Rider Tags

- Car Tags are needed to pick up your child in the car line after school. The first car rider tag will be free. Additional car tags can be purchased for \$2 each.
- The tags can be picked up or purchased in the main office at any time and will be available during open house.
- Please display the car tag on the passenger side visor of your car when you pick up your child. This helps us speed up the dismissal procedure and provides added security.
- If you need to pick up your child, but do not have a car tag, you will have to come into the office to sign your child out. This is not to be a normal procedure, only an exception. Please sign out your child no later than 3:15 so that they may be called to the office. prior to the end of school.

Final Forms

Parents <u>must</u> go on to the the school website and complete their online forms using the Final Forms program. Please complete these forms before the Open House so that we have the most up-to-date information in the event of an emergency. If you have not completed your online forms prior to the Open House, you will be directed to a school computer to do so prior to visiting your child's classroom. If you have questions contact Mrs. Elder at (330) 938-4300.



<u>Class Lists</u>

Class lists will be posted at 8:00 am on Thursday, September 1st. They will be on the inside front doors and will only be available for viewing during normal working hours on the 1st, 2nd, and 6th. Please do not post the lists to social media to respect the privacy and ensure the safety of our students.



<u>ClassDojo</u>

ClassDojo is the communication platform that we will be using at VVB Intermediate School this year. Your child's teacher, as well as the principal and school counselor will be able to communicate with you via ClassDojo. Your child's teacher will have directions for signing up for ClassDojo at the Open House. It is a free service.

Parent Activity Committee!

The elementary parent group is called the PAC - Parent Activity Committee. They are providing support to both the Intermediate School and the Early Learning Center. In order to have the funds to support our schools, the PAC is having a fundraiser this fall. The fundraiser kicks-off on September 16, and will be a calendar raffle. Your child will not have to sell any products. More information will be provided during the first week of school.

I encourage you to get involved and join the PACI



Attendance and Tardies

In order for children to be successful in school, they need to be here! Attendance is an important part of a student's academic, social, and emotional success. It is recommended that your student arrives to school by $\underline{8:35}$ am so that they can get prepared in their classrooms for a great school day. Any student who arrives after $\underline{8:45}$ will be marked tardy.





We are modifying our Specials rotation this year. Our students will have all specials for the entire year. The schedule will now be A-B-C-D-E. Our special classes include

- 1. Physical Education
- 2. STÉM
- 3. Library
- 4. Art
- 5. Music

Teachers will notify you of the special that your child has on each day. If school is cancelled, the special your child had scheduled on that day will be rescheduled for the day of return. If your child is in need of any school supplies, *please* don't hesitate to ask. Due to generous donations from our community, we are able to provide our students with supplies they need to start the year off right. If you need any assistance, please contact me by phone: (330)938-4300 x37403 or email: <u>fritz.schlueter@wbwarriors.org</u>. Any requests will remain *completely* confidentiall Thank you to our community for its support!

September 2022				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 Labor Day	6 No School (Open House)	7 A	8 B	9 C
12 D	¹³	14 A	15 B	16 C
19 D	20 E	21 A	22 B	23 C
26 D	E ²⁷	28 A	29 B	30 C
Oct 3 D	Oct 4	Oct 5	Oct 6 B	Oct 7 C