

# THE WILDCAT WEEKLY

## A Note from Dr. G

Special Summer 2023 Issue



### Superintendent's Corner

August is the perfect time to check in, Wildcats! So much has happened since June!

- Our Board of Education reorganized in July. Please join me in congratulating Mike Horan and Sara Beaty, our president and vice president.
- Our district leadership retreat provided time to prepare and plan for September.
- Thank you to everyone that completed our facilities survey in June. The responses informed much of our summer work. We look forward to sharing a comprehensive capital improvement plan focused on the instructional program.
- Congratulations Theresa Outhouse on being named Assistant Principal of WMS. HES/CES Assistant Principal news is coming soon!
- Our buildings and grounds team has been preparing our facilities for an outstanding 2023-2024 school year. With safety and security at the forefront, some of this work will be obvious and some, by design, will not.
- KinderCamp participants at HES are practicing social, motor, and literacy skills.

Here are a few more pieces of important information:

The District-wide Safety Plan is available on our website for review in advance of the 8/16/23 BOE Meeting. The 2023-2024 school calendar is headed to the printer this week, and the Summer Newsletter will be mailed to every resident soon. Be sure to follow our social media for the latest! I am so excited for September.

### Noticing the Good

The main field is nearing completion and on schedule for the Fall season. Follow the QR code below for the complete Fall schedule.

Work continues on field B. We are navigating some complications due to rock removal and weather. Stay tuned for more specifics later this month. We are excited for a robust Fall Season on our new fields.

Westlake High School earned the School of Excellence Award from The New York State Public High School Athletic Association. To qualify for this honor, 75% of a school's varsity teams must qualify and receive the Scholar-Athlete team award. This is impressive. Well done, Wildcats!

Finally, follow the new Westlake Athletics Instagram page @westlakehsathletics.

### Share Your Summer

I have been here working for much of the summer, but I did get the chance to escape to Portugal and learn to sail! Whether you are relaxing, working, reading, or vacationing, we want to hear about it! Email your photos to [newslink@mtplcsd.org](mailto:newslink@mtplcsd.org) and we will share a collage of our Wildcats' summer adventures!



### Save the Dates

8/21 Varsity & JV Sports Start

8/29-8/31 - Superintendent's Conference Days - Staff Only

8/30 Meet the Coaches Night - Varsity & JV Fall Sports 6:30 pm

8/31 HES Meet & Greet, CES Back to School BBQ, WMS Bagels & Locks (details to follow from each school)

9/5 Schools Open for Students (Kindergarten at 9 am)

9/7 Modified Sports Start, HES Back to School Night

### In Awe of the Paw - Science Research News

Please join us in congratulating incoming science research senior Keishanne Bernal on being published in a peer-reviewed science journal as first author!

Keishanne said, "Based on my original research for my science research course, this publication was the culmination of hard work and tenacity over the past year. It served as an outlet to test my potential but it really could not have been accomplished without the people who provided the resources and guidance necessary to take my research to its highest level." #wildcatpride

