

Washington Elementary School

September 2023

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Washington School Mission Statement

At Washington Elementary School, we foster a student-centered community where all students are inspired to discover their own passions, accept and appreciate the differences in one another, and make reflective and responsible choices that will make the world a better place.

Welcome to the 2023-24 school year!

We are excited to open our doors to a new school year on Wednesday, September 6!

Students should arrive for a start time of 8:45am and weather permitting, will be greeted by their teachers outside on the blacktop.

Our school day runs 8:55am to 3:30pm. Students will be welcomed in starting at 8:45am daily. Please do not drop students off prior to 8:45am as there is no supervision.

In this newsletter, you will find important information about the upcoming school year.



Student/Family Handbook






Please take time before the first day of school to review the Student/Family Handbook for this year. It contains important information to start off the school year.

2023-24 Edison Township Public Schools Calendar

Washington Elementary
School

 **September** 



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Aug 31 New student orientation - 10am	1 NO SCHOOL Kindergarten Orientation--1pm	2
3	4 NO SCHOOL Labor Day	5 NO SCHOOL	6 SCHOOL OPENS	7	8	9
10 Grandparents Day	11 Patriot Day 	12	13	14 Back To School Night 6:30pm	15	16
17	18	19 BOE Meeting	20	21	22 SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY!   PTO Ice Cream Social	23
24	25 NO SCHOOL Yom Kippur	26	27	28	29 SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY!   PTO Pretzel Sale	30

A Message from the Main Office

Welcome to a new school year! We are eager to open our doors on September 6th to the 570 students who will fill our hallways with excitement and curiosity about the upcoming year. Our Dual Language program kicks off with over 40 kindergarteners immersed in learning academic content in both English and Spanish.

We look forward to collaborating with all our families to create the best educational environment for our students. We appreciate your commitment to making WES a truly exceptional community.

Mrs. Schlatter & Ms. Vu



Homeroom Assignments & Bus Information

The Genesis Parent Portal is open for families to fill out the student forms and view teacher assignments. Before you have access to your child's teacher assignment, you will be prompted to electronically sign off on several important forms. Bussing information will be posted on August 28th and is updated right up until the first day of school. Please be patient and we will help you work through the process.

Genesis Parent Portal

The Genesis Parent Portal includes important information such as beginning of the year forms, bus assignments, teacher assignments, student grades, report cards, attendance records, and conference sign ups.

Please ensure you have your Parent Portal account set up by clicking on this [link](#).

The school main office cannot reset your account. You must reach out to the Genesis Helpdesk directly by following instructions on the website.

We are excited to announce that WES is offering Parent Portal help sessions on August 31 from 10-12 and September 1 from 1-3.

First Days of School

The first few days of school are critical for establishing routines and expectations at Washington School.

Arrival and Dismissal

From arrival on the first day, we will set the expectations for the school community when transporting students to and from school. Our utmost priority is the safety of all students! If we all follow the set expectations, we will succeed at keeping everyone safe. Please obey the traffic rules and BE PATIENT! Cambridge Road is chaotic during these times of day.

Please be on time for dismissal and have an emergency contact available as a back up.

School Expectations

It is expected that students are respectful to other students, staff, and to themselves. We have a nurturing school community that fosters the growth of the whole student. It is just as much our job to help students grow socially and emotionally, as academically. We will spend the first few days establishing routines around the school and in the classrooms.

School Supplies

All standard school supplies will be provided to each student when they arrive to school on 9/6. Teachers may request additional items over the first week, including headphones for use in the classroom. Each student should come to school with a backpack, water bottle, and lunch (if not purchasing).



WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2023-24



In-school supplies will be provided for **ALL** W.E.S. students through Title I Funding. Teachers may request additional supplies once the school year begins.

Each student should come to school with a backpack.

Title I

We are pleased to announce that Washington Elementary School qualifies for Title I funding for the 2023-24 school year.

Title I programming provides resources and guidance to schools to ensure economically disadvantaged children receive a fair, equitable, and high-quality education, by helping to close academic achievement gaps.

Utilizing Title I funding, all students at WES will begin the school year with the necessary school supplies. Keep a look out for future family night events sponsored through Title I funding.

Technology

All students will utilize a school provided device. These devices are an integral part of the learning process so proper care of them is necessary. It is strongly encouraged that all students purchase device insurance. More information will be sent home within the first few weeks of school. Help with devices and insurance is available at the [Help Desk](#).

Parent Helpdesk & Technology Support

Food Services by Maschio's

The breakfast (\$1.00) and lunch (\$3.50) program will be available for purchase to all students. Breakfast and lunches must be ordered in advance with the homeroom teacher. Menus available on the Maschio's [website](#).

See the flier below or our website for more information on our food service program and how to set up a [MySchoolBucks](#) account.

When packing student lunches, please keep in mind that they should be able to open packages and eat lunch independently. Of course, we have lunch aides to assist, but it is best to keep lunches simple. Please no soda or candy should be brought to school.

Free and Reduced Lunch

If you are in need of financial assistance for free/reduced lunch and breakfast, please complete [this form](#). It gets processed through the district. Other benefits are available for families who qualify for free/reduced lunch.



Dress Code

As per [BOE Policy 5511](#):

All clothes should uphold the principles of safety, health, modesty and good grooming.

For the safety of students, please do not send students to school with crocs or flip flops.



Before & After Care

Before & after care is provided at WES by the Edison Recreation Department. More information on price and registration can be viewed on their website [here](#).

Upcoming Events



Welcome New Tigers!

Welcome to our newest Tigers! We are happy to have you and look forward to meeting you on August 31st.

♥ Welcome to Kindergarten

Kindergarten Orientation
September 1 @1:00pm

Welcome EHS Class of 2036

With the addition of our Dual Language program in Kindergarten, we are happy to welcome 100 new students to our school community.



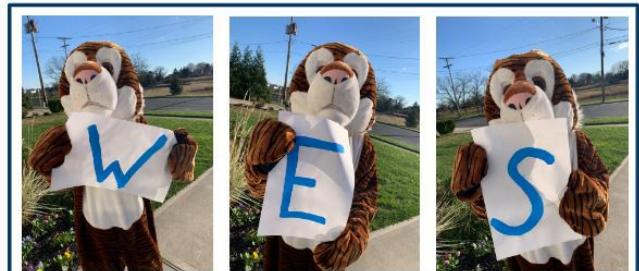
September 14
6:30pm

Back To School Night

September 14th 6:30pm

Parents only please!

Two sessions available so you won't miss out on any information.



SCHOOL SPIRIT DAYS
SEPTEMBER 22 and 29

School Spirit Days

Show your tiger pride by wearing school spirit shirts or blue and gold!



No School
September 25

School Closed- Yom Kippur

SCHOOL PICTURES
OCTOBER 10 & 11



Say Cheese!

More information to come

Parent Teacher Organization

Parent-Teacher Organization Membership Letter

Please be sure to join the WES PTO public Group on Facebook.

Washington School PTO



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Wishing you a **Cool**
school year

POPSICLES ON THE PLAYGROUND





Join us on the dates below
to kick off our school year

THURSDAY	8/31	11am-12pm	New Students
FRIDAY	9/1	2-3pm	Kindergarten

PTO Sponsored Event

Popsicles on the Playground

Enjoy a sweet treat provided by our PTO




**Parent Teacher Organization
Ice Cream Social
Friday, September 22th**

Ice Cream Social

What a better way to end the first month of school! Join us for some ice cream and fun!

**Washington School PTO
Pretzel Sale**



Friday, September 29th

Pretzel Sale \$1

Buy 1 or buy 10!

**PTO
MEETING**



October 10 @6pm

Join the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and take pride knowing that you are playing an important role by being involved in your child's education.

Help to make a difference in the lives of the students at Washington Elementary School!
Just \$10 per family for membership dues.



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Sandra Schlatter

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