



WMS COWBOY CONNECTION

WMS Families,

As we head into the final week before our Holiday Break, I want to express my gratitude to everyone for your support throughout the first semester of the school year! On a daily basis, our students continue to thrive both in the classroom and in their extracurricular activities. We are looking forward to a great week ahead. The Student Council has planned theme days for each day leading up to the break, and all students and staff are invited to participate. The themes are as follows:

- *Monday: Tropical Day*
- *Tuesday: Holiday Day*
- *Wednesday: Pajama Day*
- *Thursday: Ugly Sweater Day*
- *Friday: Flannel Day*

Please find additional updates and reminders below.

Your Partner in Education,

*Brian Bocian
Principal*

Student Council Holiday Donation Drive: Support for Project Connect

This holiday season, the WMS Student Council is organizing a collection of personal care items to support Project Connect, an organization dedicated to assisting homeless children in Cincinnati. Below is a list of needed items, with each grade level assigned a specific category for donations.

Donation Dates:

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 – Thursday, December 19, 2024

What to Donate:

- 5th Grade: Shower Products (Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Bar Soap)
- 6th Grade: Dental Items (Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Dental Floss, Mouthwash)
- 7th Grade: Body Care (Deodorant, Body Spray, Hair Brushes/Combs, Lotion)
- 8th Grade: Paper Products (Toilet Paper, Feminine Products, Tissues, Baby Wipes)

Thank you for your generosity and support as we work together to make a difference!

Youth Truth Surveys.

This week, WMS Students will participate in the YouthTruth Student Survey. The YouthTruth Student Survey is a nationally recognized survey used in hundreds of schools and districts across the country. The survey asks students about their experiences in the school and with their teachers, including how engaged they are at school, the rigor of their coursework, and their preparedness for the future. Although we want to hear from all students, participation in this survey is voluntary. Your child's ratings will not be identified in any reports because results are shared at the group level. Our school, other schools, and researchers may use such information for developing plans to help schools and teachers improve. For information about this survey, please visit <http://youthtruthsurvey.org>. If after reviewing the survey information you would like your child to opt out of this survey, please email Dr. Bocian by December, 17.

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Sixth Grade Parents...

As mentioned in Mr. Weber's recent Superintendent Update, Mrs. Hayner's work as Wyoming Middle School's Interim Assistant Principal has been extended through June 30, 2024. Mr. Lunsford will remain in the ixth-grade social studies position for the remainder of the school year. Mrs. Hayner will deeply miss teaching our sixth graders, but is excited to continue to support them and all of our students and staff as Interim Assistant Principal.

Congratulations to Ms. O'Hara!



Tremendous work is done across our Wyoming school community to create extraordinary opportunities for students. Wyoming Middle School Teacher Stephanie O'Hara exemplifies excellence in her work to empower Wyoming students with the knowledge, perspective, and skills essential for success.

In her work, Ms. O'Hara:

- Uses innovative practices in curriculum design, instructional strategies, and assessment.
- Creates active and engaging learning experiences and environments for students.
- Inspires creative and critical thinking, communication, and collaboration.
- Promotes a growth mindset in teaching, learning, and professional development.

- Values student, teacher, family, and community member relationships.
- Is committed to character.
- Works to develop the skills necessary to meet the needs of our learners.

Cowboy Views.

Great job to our choir students on a successful Holiday Concert!



Band students shined brightly at their concert performance last Wednesday evening.



Great Job! Below are several pictures from our Grades 7 & 8 Reward Day.





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including:

- Finance Friday: Paid Off!
 - Upcoming Events
 - WyoShop Hours
 - Smoothie & Boba Happy Hours @ be.
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