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Student Services Newsletter

Wilson Area School District - FALL 2024



WELCOME BACK!! School Involvement Matters

A partnership between teachers and families helps develop successful and well-rounded students. This partnership provides students with more opportunities to learn and grow from a larger range of viewpoints and life experiences. Through open communication and collaboration, parents and teachers create important opportunities for teens to develop social, emotional, and academic skills. School involvement makes a difference. When teachers and families [partner](#) together to support student achievement, students earn higher grades, attend school more regularly, and enroll in higher level courses. This collaboration also fosters more motivated students. Young people maintain higher educational aims and lower rates of dropout. Students with [involved](#) parents [have better attendance](#), complete more homework, and have higher enrollment in educational opportunities after high school. Parents can participate at school by helping with functions and activities, or

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engaging in discussions about values and attitudes regarding education.

Here are 11 suggestions for getting involved in your child's education.

1. **Attend back-to-school nights or other orientation events.** Get to know your teen's teachers in the beginning of the school year. These events are also a great way to meet other families. Attending parent-teacher conferences throughout the year ensures you are on the same page.
2. **Ask your teacher how they would like to communicate.** For each teacher, find out whether phone calls, emails, or texts are the best way to stay up-to-date on progress and communicate if a problem arises. Don't be afraid to speak up for your adolescent's needs.
3. **Demonstrate a positive view of education at home.** Parental school involvement does not only occur inside the schools. It is also about communicating your larger values and attitudes regarding education and the hopes, dreams, and expectations you hold for your children. Communicating these values motivates young people to be persistent when faced with challenging educational tasks.
4. **Encourage reading.** Helping your children develop a love of reading is [the single most important thing](#) you can do to help them succeed in school and in life. Show them the importance of lifelong learning by reading books on your own. Even better, read the same book with them. Taking it one step further, discuss the book together afterwards!
5. **Help manage the homework process.** Let your teen know you think education is important and that homework is a priority. Set aside a special place to study and establish a regular time for homework. Help your child stay organized, ask about daily assignments, and monitor their work. Always remember to notice and praise effort.
6. **Attend school events.** Go to games and concerts, student exhibitions, and award events that your teen *is* and *is not* involved in. Your involvement in school-wide events, even when your tween or teen is not directly involved, helps build a community at large. You'll meet other members of the school community and show your support for ALL kids.
7. **Attend parent organization meetings.** At most schools, parents meet regularly to discuss school issues. Join the PTA (Parent Teacher Association) or PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) to work with other families to improve the school. If you

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8. **Volunteer in the school.** Schools often allow volunteers to chaperone trips or dances, help in classrooms, or run a school event. If your work schedule doesn't allow you to volunteer in the school building, there are other ways to offer your [time](#). You can volunteer to translate newsletters into other languages, make phone calls to let others know about school-related activities, or work on materials for school events. Be on the lookout for volunteer opportunities and share your special skills!
9. **Let the school know what groups, classes or guidance you would like them to provide.** Schools are a great resource to improve your own learning. If you want to know more about the school's new math curriculum, how to talk with your teen about relationships, or how to help your teen apply to financial aid, let the school know! Chances are if you want to learn more about a topic, other parents do as well.
10. **Encourage active learning.** Young people need to be encouraged to ask and answer questions, solve problems, and explore their interests. Have frequent conversations about what they are learning and be prepared to ask questions. When you encourage this type of learning at home, your teen's participation and interest in school may increase.
11. **Learn about your rights.** It's important to know what your rights are as a parent when it comes to special services such as English instruction, immigration status, individualized education plans, and more. Learn more in [Your Rights as the Parent of a Public School Student](#).

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CONCERN- School Based Outpatient Counseling Program

CONCERN is providing school based mental health services at the schools ALL SUMMER LONG! Contact your child's school for more information.

WE WANT TO HELP STUDENTS DISCOVER THEIR GREATNESS BY PROVIDING TRADITIONAL OUTPATIENT THERAPY WITHIN THE SCHOOL WALLS.

Our school-based program targets elementary and secondary-level students with emotional and/or behavioral needs. Students can be referred for services by either school personnel and/or parents.

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School-based therapists capitalize on students' existing academic and social networks by observing and treating clients within their natural environment.

For information on a referral for school based outpatient counseling with CONCERN, please contact your child's school counselor.



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LINCS Community Coalition

The Wilson Area Communities that Care (CTC) Coalition is a group of youth, families, community leaders, business members, and residents from the Wilson Area School District and surrounding communities. The coalition consists of a key leader board, to provide group guidance and organization; coalition members, to raise community concerns and develop possible solutions; and work groups that put the plan into action. Our members include WASD students, district parents, residents, local health care experts, law enforcement members, community leaders, and members of non-profit organizations.

How can I help?

Get involved!

Organizations and individuals in the Wilson Borough area and surrounding area who would like to make our community better by helping to solve issues affecting our youth, are encouraged to email us at: LINCS@wilsonareasd.org, or call: 484-373-6200.

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Linking Family, Community, and School

through programs and services. Our mission is to provide a compassionate and sensitive community resource that will empower Wilson area families by linking them to direct, comprehensive programs addressing social, emotional and physical well-being, educational assistance, and resources needed to raise healthy children and enhance all residents' quality of life.

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WASD Vaping Awareness

Check out the newly added vaping panel discussion for helpful information or for more information on WASD anti-vaping campaign, click [HERE](#).

Important WASD Student Services Upcoming Dates- Check out the District calendar!

10/5/24- SAT Testing

10/14/24- School Closed- Holiday

10/25-10/26/24- Parent Teacher Conferences

** all school events can be viewed on the District Website calendar by clicking the district website button below**

District Website

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