



Wyoming Primary Schools

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Dear WPS Families,

At Wyoming Primary Schools, we are committed to continuous improvement and providing the best possible education for your children. One way we support our teachers in their professional growth is through **Learning Walks**, an exciting professional development opportunity.

Learning Walks involve teachers and administrators observing instructional practices across classrooms to gain insights into effective teaching strategies, foster collaboration, and enhance student learning experiences. These observations focus on elements such as student engagement, instructional techniques, and alignment with our curriculum and goals.

By participating in Learning Walks, our educators:

- Reflect on their teaching practices to identify strengths and areas for growth.
- Collaborate with colleagues to share innovative ideas and best practices.
- Foster a culture of continuous learning that directly benefits our students.

This professional development supports our mission to deliver high-quality instruction and ensure that every student is challenged and supported in their academic journey.

We are proud of the dedication and enthusiasm our teachers bring to their classrooms, and we believe that these opportunities for professional growth will continue to enhance the educational experience at WPS.

Thank you for your support as we work together to ensure the success of every child.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gina Kirchner

Principal, Wyoming Primary Schools

Counselor Corner

During this past week the Cowboy TV lessons focused on culture and how we want to have a culture of kindness, friendship, and learning in the Wyoming Primary Schools. Being kind means using kind words, helping others when they need it, and treating people the way you

want to be treated. Friendship involves listening, sharing, standing up for each other, and problem solving. Learning includes trying our best, not giving up, and learning from our mistakes. We look forward to building school culture this semester, and we want to continue to get to know your family and have you involved in your child's education!

Building Placement for 2025-2026

Next week, on **Thursday, January 30th**, all students in grades K-3 will bring home letters outlining our building placement process, along with parent preference forms, in their Thursday folders.

For Kindergarten Families:

Each year, we redistribute our kindergarten students as they transition to first grade to ensure a balanced distribution across our three Primary buildings. All kindergarten families will receive a letter outlining our building placement process and a form to indicate their building preferences for grades 1-4. **All kindergarten families will need to complete the form and return to school by Friday, February 14, 2025.** We will do our best to accommodate your requests and will notify you of your child's anticipated building placement for grades one through four by March 21, 2025.

For Families with Students in Grades 1-3:

Families with students in grades 1-3 will also receive an **optional** form in their Thursday folders. This form may be completed if you would like us to consider a transfer to a different Primary building for the 2025-26 school year. **If you would like for your child to remain at their current school, you do not need to complete the form.**

Kindergarten Enrollment for 2025-2026

We're excited to announce that we're gearing up for kindergarten registration for the 2025-2026 school year! For detailed information on enrollment, please [visit our website](#).

Mark your calendars for our Kindergarten Information Night on Thursday, February 27th, at 6:30 p.m. at Hilltop School. This event is a great opportunity to learn more about our kindergarten program and get your questions answered. We look forward to welcoming our newest Cowboys!

Save the Date - Wyoming Art Show

The second annual K-12 Art Show is fast approaching! Please plan to join us at Wyoming Middle School on **Saturday April 26th, 2025 from 1-3pm** for a celebration of our visual arts students in grades K-12! A wide variety of artworks created during the 2024-2025 school year will be displayed at the art show. Come see original artworks in clay, drawing, painting, and more from our youngest artists, tweens and teens!

Upcoming Dates

- **Valentine's Day Parties** - Friday, February 14th
- **President's Day** - No School - Monday, February 17th
- **Report Cards in Thursday Folders** - Thursday, February 20th
- **Kindergarten Information Night** - Thursday, February 27th - 6:30 p.m. - Hilltop School Gym
- **Family Literacy Night** - Thursday, March 13th - 6:30-7:30 - Wyoming Middle School

[View the full WCS calendar here.](#)

News from Around Wyoming

[Click here for more Events and Information from around WCS & the community](#), including:

- Finance Friday
- Director of Pupil Services Search: Survey & Groups
- WHS presents *Footloose* on Feb. 7 & 8
- Kindergarten Registration Info
- Upcoming Events
- WSMA Winter Music Fest
- WSF Blue, White & Brackets Save the Date
- JWC Euchre Tournament
- Spring 2025 Girls on the Run for Grades 3-5
- Wyoming Fine Arts Center: My Block, My City Program
- UC DAAP K-12 Saturday Art Program begins Feb. 15