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Williamson Elementary School



Important Dates:

March 4th

1/2 Day UPK - 4th

12:10 Dismissal

March 5th

UPK / K Info night

6:30 pm @ ES Lib

March 14

No School Superintendent

Conference Day

March 14th

UPK / K Registration Due

March 14-15

HS Musical 7pm HS Aud

March 19th

Board of Ed Meeting 6:30 PM

April 14th-18th

No School - Holiday / Recess

*Classes start at
8:55am, any late
arrivals must report
to the school office
before entering the
classroom!*

Greetings from Miss Saxby ~
Williamson Elementary Principal:

March is coming in like a lion, but hopefully winter is ending soon. It has been great to have sunshine some days!

We have now made it through two marking periods here at the elementary school, but we still have more learning to do. Please continue to be in contact with your child's teacher to check on their progress. Reading and practicing math facts at home are great ways to support your child's learning.

We have some special events happening in the month of March:



- March 17th our 2nd-4th graders will attend an assembly featuring local Irish dancers.
- March 25th Bright Star Children's Theater will be here doing two productions: one for UPK-1st and another for 2nd-4th.

We continue to focus on building school community here in the elementary school....our special day events are a wonderful way to cultivate school community and focus on our PRIDE philosophy!

Thank you for your continued support!

Miss Ellen Saxby
Williamson Elementary Principal



A Note From Mrs. Craft

March 2025



Spring is on it's way and we are excited for all the wonderful activities coming up this month! March is a time of growth, learning, and community engagement. We appreciate your continued support in making our school a positive and thriving place for our students.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at:
jcraft@williamsoncentral.org
315-589-9668



What's coming up?

March 3 - 7 - Read Across America Week

March 4 - 1/2 day Parent/Teacher Conferences

March 5 - UPK/K Info Night
6:30 ES Library

March 8 - Odyssey of The Minds

March 14 - No School

Conference Day

Presidents' Week

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day

Reminder:

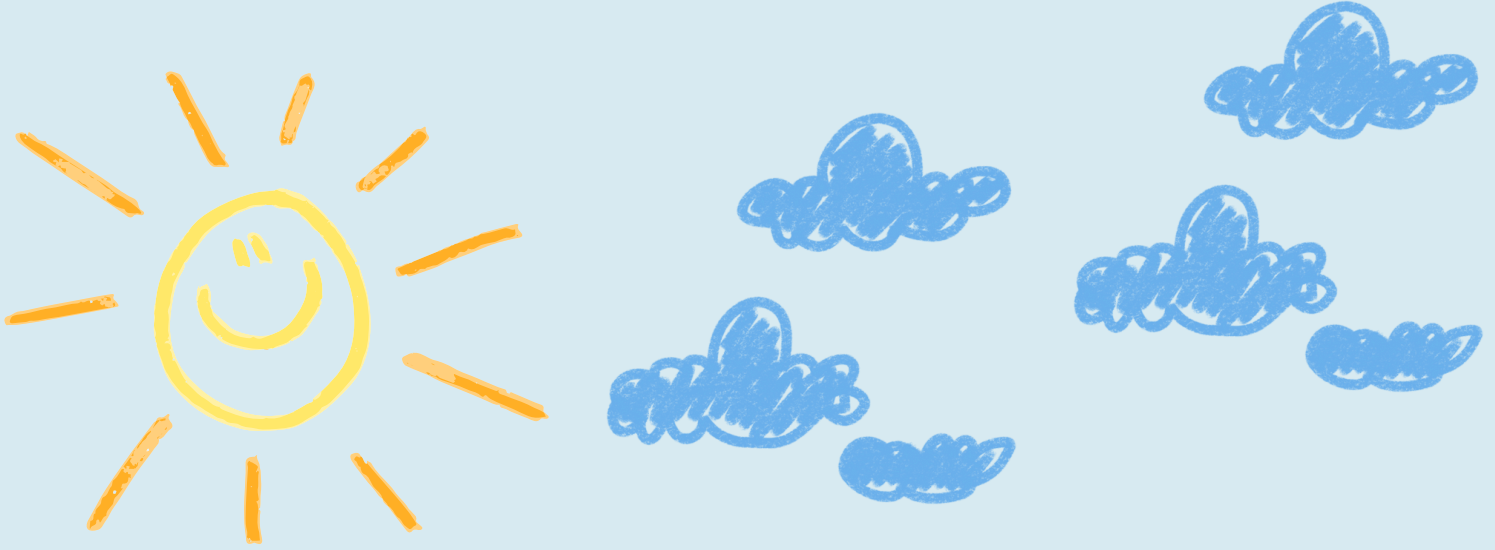
****Classes will continue to go outside for playground weather permitting. Please be sure students are prepared with boots, snow pants, coats, gloves, and hats!

Williamson Elementary School

Read Across America 3/3-3/7

Students will have the opportunity to participate in reading activities, earn prizes, have surprise guest readers, and many more fun classroom activities! Be on the lookout for information coming home from classroom teachers!





March 5th, 2025
UPK/K Info Night
6:30pm
Elementary School Library

Registration is due
March 14th



IMPORTANT DROP-OFF/PICK-UP INFORMATION

IF YOUR CHILD IS RIDING THE BUS FOR THE 23-24 SCHOOL
YEAR THIS MESSAGE DOES NOT PERTAIN TO YOU.

- All Williamson buses will arrive in the bus circle between 8:30-8:40am and will unload at 8:40.
- After Williamson buses have unloaded. we will bring in and unload the out-of-district buses.
- After ALL buses are unloaded, we will bring in the vehicles for drop-off.

The lineup for vehicles will be on the EAST side of the middle school and NOT the west side near the tennis courts. This process will be the same at dismissal. Same as the 23-24 school year.

Please Note:

Until we get our "groove", there will be delays in our process. We ask that you are patient as we focus on the safety of all students and also encourage you to consider having your child riding to and from the school on the bus.



ELEMENTARY

newsletter

Save the Date!!

More Important Dates!

March 4 - 1/2 day UPK - 4th 12:10 Dismissal
March 5th UPK/K Info Night 6:30 @ ES LIB
March 14th - Sup.Conference Day - No School
March 14th - UPK / Kindergarten Registration Due
March 14th & 15 - HS Musical 7pm HS Aud
March 19th BOE Meeting @ 6:30
April 14th - 18th Spring Break No School
April 30th & May 1st - Grade 3 & 4 ELA NYS Test
May 6th - 4th Grade Spring Concert 7pm @ HS
May 12th & 13 - Grade 3 & 4 Math NYS Test

District Telephone Numbers

Elementary	315-589-9668
Middle School	315-589-9665
High School	315-589-9621
District Office	315-589-9661
Bus Garage	315-589-6901
CSE Office	315-589-8308

Change of Contact Information

Please notify the school as soon as possible if you have ANY changes in your contact information including phone number, email, work phone, physical and/or mailing address. Any other important documentation regarding your student is also important for the school to have.

Who to Contact if...

- Your child is sick or has been hurt - Mrs. Musclow, School nurse @ 315-589-9668 option 4
- Your child is having problems on the school bus - Vicky Pascarella Director of Transportation @ 315-589-6901 or Miss. Saxby, Elementary Principal @ 315-589-9668
- Your child is having problems with school work - Classroom Teacher @ 315-589-9668
- Your child is having problems on the playground - Classroom Teacher @ 315-589-9668
- Your child seems unhappy (over a period of time) - Classroom Teacher or School Psychologist @ 315-589-9668

Goldenrod Rule

The Elementary School uses Goldenrod paper to indicate a paper that requires your response. When you see Goldenrod paper in your child's backpack, **please take time to read, sign and return it to school.**

Morning Drop-Off

- Drop-off times are 8:50-8:55am each morning
- There will be NO cars allowed in the bus circle before 8:50 in order to accommodate the buses.
- Once the buses have dropped off students and left the bus circle, parents and/or guardians can enter the bus loop and pull around as far as possible.
- For safety reason, students will exit the car from the passenger side door and then enter the building. There will be staff members to help with the traffic flow and to direct student to a door.
- Reminder - there will be no parents entering the school with their child at this time.

Afternoon Pick-Up

- Pick-up times are 3:30-3:40 each afternoon.
- If you wish to pick your student/s up at the end of the day you must email wesattendance@williamsoncentral.org AND transportation@williamsoncentral.org by 1pm.
- There will be NO cars allowed in the bus circle between 2:45-3:30 in order to accommodate for the buses.
- Once the buses have picked up students and left the bus circle, parents and/or guardians can enter the bus loop and pull up to your designated spot identified by a colored flag. You and your child will be assigned a color. You will receive a phone call or email with your color info prior to your first pick up.

Pick-Up During the School Day

To ensure safety of each child and to minimize disruptions in our education program, we ask that you follow these steps when it is necessary to remove your child from school during the day.

1. Complete and return the Student/Parent/Contact Information Sheet which includes the "authorization to pick up" information. This is critical if you need someone other than a parent to pick up your child.
2. Send an email to wesattendance@williamsoncentral.org with student name, teacher name, time of pick-up, and name of person picking up the student.
3. At the designated pickup time, parent should pull into the bus circle (only if there are NO buses in the circle), park in front of the old main entrance (second covered entrance), and call into the school (315-589-9668) to have your student brought out.

Attendance Policy

Attendance in school is critical for students to achieve. Please encourage your child to attend school unless illness prevents it. It is important that students arrive ON TIME - NO LATER THAN 8:55 AM. Morning routines start as soon as students get off the buses. Research has shown that students who establish poor attendance patterns at a young age have difficulty changing those patterns as they grow.

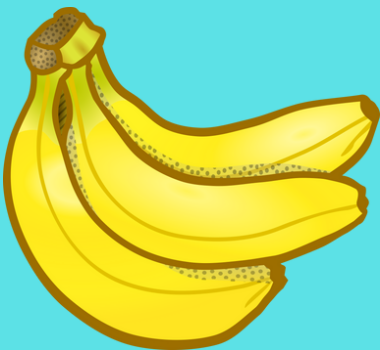
The district has an attendance policy in place that includes regular letters of notification to parents of students who are excessively absent from school. If there are specific issues preventing your child from attending, please contact the Main Office or Health Office to set up an appointment to discuss the concerns.

Distribution of Party Invitations at School

We ask that the distribution of invitations be handled in a careful and considerate manner. Your child's teacher will have a preferred approach to this matter and will inform you in a newsletter. Please follow the teacher's suggested approach to respect all students,

Snacks

Many of our classes have a snack during the course of the day. Students are encourage to bring in nutritional snacks such as apples, bananas, raisins and carrots. Snacks will also be provided if needed.





ParentSquare

Parent Square Reminder

We will be continuing our implementation of Parent Square as a primary source of communication with our families. We will be expanding the use of Parent Square to all extracurricular activities as well including athletics. Be sure to download the app or sign into the school website to get all school communication related to your child(ren). If you currently do not have a Parent Square account, keep an eye out for a registration email/text message from Parent Square. You can find help on our website or contact your child's building for more information. Please take some time to review the 'Home/School Communication' page in this newsletter to make sure you are receiving important information from school.

You will receive an email to register your account. All you need to do is register and pick your preference (follow prompts to do this). Please keep your phone contacts and email addresses updated to ensure that you receive all important messages.





Home/School Communication



Williamson Central School District strives to ensure clear and frequent communication with students and families. We have several platforms that we use. This guide explains the main purpose of each platform.



Parent Square

- Building Updates and Highlights
- Grade Level Events/Reminders
- Sharing Pictures
- Parent Conference Sign Ups
- Special Events
- Translated Communication
- Communication for Athletics, Clubs and Extracurricular Activities
- Marauder Care Communication



Schoology

- Assignment Related
- Individual Student Concerns
- Assignment Clarifications
- Upcoming due dates or reminders related to Academics



SchoolTool

- Attendance
- Quarterly and Final Grades
- View/Print Report Cards
- Student Schedules

Each of these tools is available as an App for your phone or via a website if you prefer. We will also continue to use email and phone calls as appropriate to communicate with our families.

IMPORTANT!

To be sure you receive all communication from your child's school and teachers, please check that you have access to each of these tools. You can find helpful resources on the "For Parents" page on our website: www.williamsoncentral.org.

You can also set your preferences to receive the communication in ways that are best for you!

Communication is KEY! Help us make this school year great by making sure you are connected to these tools!

Please reach out to your building administrators with any questions or if you need additional support.



Dear Parent/Guardian:

The district's School Health Services program supports your student's academic success by promoting health in the school setting. One way that we provide care for your student is by performing the health screenings as mandated by the State of New York.

During this school year, the following screenings will be required or completed at school:

Vision

- Distance and near acuity for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Color perception screening for all newly entering students.

Hearing

- Hearing screening for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.

Scoliosis

- Scoliosis (spinal curvature) screening for all girls in grades 5 and 7, and boys in grade 9.

A letter will be sent home if your student needs follow-up with your health care provider. For vision screenings only, parents will be notified of all results. Please call the school's Health Office if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Hayley Musclow, RN

Williamson Elementary Lunch Menu



March



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
#1 Soft Pretzel Bites w/Cheese Sauce SIDES: Steamed Broccoli Celery w/Peanut Butter Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	UPK-4 Half Day Parent Conference Day SIDES: Bagged Lunch Available (Students will order in Homeroom)	#1 Chicken Tenders w/Garlic Noodles SIDES: Steamed Carrots Cucumber Slices Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	Pizza Slice #1 Pepperoni #2 Cheese SIDES: Soup + Crackers Fresh Tossed Salad Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	#1 French Toast Sticks w/Sausage SIDES: Hash Brown Potato Fresh Vegetables Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety
#1 Popcorn Chicken w/Roll SIDES: Mashed Potato / Corn Celery w/Peanut Butter Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	#1 Taco in a Bag w/Rice #2 Soft Taco w/Rice w/Shred. Lettuce, Tomato, Sour Cream SIDES: Carrot Sticks w/Ranch Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	#1 Cheeseburger on Bun #2 Hamburger on Bun w/Shredded Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle SIDES: Baked Fries/Sl. Cucumber Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	#1 Pasta + Meatballs w/Breadstick SIDES: Fresh Tossed Salad Assorted Fresh Vegetables Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	Superintendent Conference Day No School
#1 Pancakes + Sausage SIDES: Hash Brown Potato Celery w/Peanut Butter Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	Mark's Pizza #1 Pepperoni #2 Cheese SIDES: Soup + Crackers Carrot Sticks w/Ranch Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	#1 Chicken Patty on Bun #2 Spicy Chicken Patty w/Shredded, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle SIDES: Oven Baked Fries Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	Pizza Crunchers #1 Pizza Crunchers #2 Hot Dog on Bun SIDES: Steamed Carrots Fresh Tossed Salad Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	#1 Fruit+Yogurt Parfait w/Granola + String Cheese #2 Hot Dog on Bun SIDES: Fresh Vegetables Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety
#1 Mozzarella Sticks w/Marinara Sauce SIDES: Green Beans Celery w/Peanut Butter Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	#1 Grilled Cheese #2 Grilled Ham + Cheese SIDES: Soup + Crackers Carrot Sticks w/Ranch Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	Mandarin Chicken w/Rice #2 Hot Dog on Bun SIDES: Steamed Broccoli Cucumber Slices Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	Fiesta Pizza #1 Fiestada Pizza #2 Fish Sticks w/Roll SIDES: Soup + Crackers Fresh Tossed Salad Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	#1 Chicken Nuggets w/Roll SIDES: Tater Tots Steamed Carrots Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety
#1 Cheesy Posco Sticks SIDES: Soup + Crackers Celery w/Peanut Butter Assorted Fruit/Milk Variety	= Ice Cream Sale Days- All Varieties cost \$1.00. Students must have cash on account pay at register.			

ADDITIONAL DAILY LUNCH CHOICES: **ALL-AMERICAN SUB LUNCH**



Students must select at least 3 different meal components to receive a meal at no cost.
 Sides (listed below main meal(s) each day on the menu above) are available with ANY of the daily or alternative school lunch choices.
 Please notify us if your child has an allergy. Menu Subject to Change. This institution is an equal opportunity employer and provider. 2025

Menú de Almuerzo de la Escuela Primaria Williamson



Marzo

Lunes		Martes	Miércoles	Jueves	Viernes
3	#1 Suave Pretzel con Salsa de Queso LADOS: Brócoli al vapor Apio con mantequilla de maní Variedad de frutas y leche	UPK-4 Medio día de la Conferencia de Padres Día de la Conferencia de Padres  Imuerso para llevar disponible (Los estudiantes harán el pedido en el aula)	#1 Tiras de pollo con Fideos de ajo LADOS: Zanahorias al vapor Rodajas de pepino Variedad de frutas y leche	pizza #1 pepperoni #2 quesos LADOS: Sopa + Galletas Ensalada fresca Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 Palitos de Tostada Francesa con Salchicha LADOS:  Papas fritas Verduras frescas Variedad de frutas y leche
10	#1 Palomitas Pollo con Rollo LADOS: Puré de papas y maíz Apio con mantequilla de maní Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 Taco en a Bolsa #2 Suave Taco con Arroz con triturado Lechuga, Tomate Crea agria LADOS: Palitos de zanahoria Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 Hamburguesa con Queso #2 Hamburguesa con lechuga rallada, tomate y pepinitos LADOS:  Fritas al horno/pepino tierno Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 Pastas + Carne con palito de Pan LADOS: Ensalada fresca Verduras frescas variadas Variedad de frutas y leche	Día de la Conferencia de Superintendentes No hay escuela
17	#1 Panqueques + Salchicha LADOS:  Papas fritas Apio con mantequilla de maní Variedad de frutas y leche	La pizza de Mark #1 pepperoni #2 quesos LADOS:  Sopa + Galletas Palitos de Zanahoria Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 Pollo empanada #2 picante pollo patty con lechuga rallada, tomate y pepinitos LADOS:  Papas fritas al horno Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 Crujientes de Pizza #2 Perro Caliente LADOS: Zanahorias al vapor Ensalada fresca Variedad de frutas y leche	Fruta + Yogur Parfait con granola + queso en tiras #2 Perro Caliente LADOS:  Verduras frescas Variedad de frutas y leche
24	#1 mozzarella Palos con salsa marinara LADOS: Judías verdes Apio con mantequilla de maní Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 queso a la parrilla #2 Asado a la parrilla con Jamon + Queso LADOS: Sopa + Galletas Palitos de zanahoria Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 mandarín en Pollo con Arroz #2 Perro Caliente LADOS:  Brócoli al vapor Rodajas de pepino Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 Pizza Fiestada #2 palitos de pescado LADOS:  Sopa + Galletas Ensalada fresca Variedad de frutas y leche	#1 Nuggets de pollo con rollo LADOS:  Bolitas de papa Zanahorias al vapor Variedad de frutas y leche
31	#1 Queso Bosco Palitos LADOS: Sopa + Galletas Apio con mantequilla de maní Variedad de frutas y leche	OPCIONES ADICIONALES DE ALMUERZO DIARIO:  ALL-AMERICAN SUE WONG  Yogurt + Muffin Los estudiantes deben seleccionar al menos 3 componentes de comida diferentes para recibir una comida sin costo. Los acompañamientos (enumerados debajo de las comidas principales cada día en el menú anterior) están disponibles con CUALQUIERA de las opciones de almuerzo escolar diario o alternativo. Por favor, avisenos si su hijo tiene alguna alergia. Esta institución es un empleador y proveedor que ofrece igualdad de oportunidades. 2025			

Williamson Central PTSA News

Visit us on Facebook at

www.facebook.com/WilliamsonCSDPTSA

OR click " PTSA " in the Community

dropdown at www.williamsoncentral.org



UPCOMING EVENTS

March 4 - UPK-4 Half Day, Parent Teacher Conference

March 4 - BoE Meeting @ MS

March 5 - UPK/K Info Night @ ES

March 14-15 - High School Musical

March 14-15 - WCMEA Instrumental All County @ Pal Mac

March 19 - BoE Meeting @ MS

March 20 - HS Music in Our Schools Month Concert

March 28 - Another Night of Comedy @ HS

NEXT MEETING

Attend our next meeting on **March 11, 2025** at 6:30 p.m. at the Elementary School Library.



Member Spotlight!

Name: Lucia Copeland **How many kids do you have in district?** One - 4th grade **How long have you been in the PTSA?** This is my second year **What is your favorite memory from being a student?** The wonderful teachers I had in K-12. WCS is the best!

PTSA Flower Sales @ High School Musical

Planning on attending the musical and want to celebrate a student actor or actress with a sweet surprise of flowers? You won't need to rush out to the store to do so!

The PTSA will be setup in the High School foyer offering bouquets and carnations for sale! Proceeds from flower sales will be used during Teacher Appreciation week when we recognize ALL of our wonderful district staff across the three school buildings, bus garage, and district office.



Global Day of Play at WCS



BOX TOPS

Box Tops is changing to fit today's families.

The new and improved Box Tops' mobile app uses state-of-the-art

technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

To get started, download the Box Tops for Education app onto your mobile device. It's a free app! Create a new account or sign into your existing account. The app will guide through each step from there. Just scan your receipts!

The Box Tops for Education app is now equipped to manage digital receipts such as Instacart with ease! Follow simple instructions for submission to give your schools credit for purchases and enter sweepstakes!

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

If you are interested in keeping up on PTSA happenings and volunteer opportunities but can't always attend meetings, please get in touch with us on our Facebook page or by e-mailing any of our officers (contact info below). Join us in continuing the tradition of commitment and service our PTSA has provided to our district's students!

DISTRICT APPROVAL for VOLUNTEERING

Interested in helping with an event during the school year? Just [complete an application](#) to become a district-approved volunteer (unless you have been approved during a previous school year - then you're all set!). There is a notary at the District Office who can assist you with finalizing your application - just call ahead (315-589-9661) to make sure the notary will be on-site when you plan to stop in! And don't forget to bring your ID!

On February 7th, the Williamson School District celebrated the Global Day of Play. Students were given ample time for free play without the use of screens, structured games, or adult direction. The idea is to let children explore their creativity, problem-solving skills, and social interactions in an unstructured and spontaneous environment.

The PTSA supports this event by providing funding to each building for supplies or fun treats for the kids to enjoy while creatively learning. The Elementary and Middle Schools chose to provide ice cream for all students and the High School purchased additional art supplies for the students to utilize that day.

Pictures are available on the district's Facebook page to see what fun the students had!



MEMBERSHIP

We are collecting PTSA membership renewals and new memberships! Stop at a meeting, turn it in to any officer, drop it in the mail OR you can now register your membership online! Becoming a member is a very simple and quick way to support programming for our students! Download the [Membership Brochure](#) form from the PTSA page on the district website or online [HERE](#).

REACH OUT TO US:

President: Veronica Weber

Vice President: Lucia Copeland

Treasurer: Alysha Peets

Secretary: Patty Kimerly

Email: williamsoncscd.ptsa@gmail.com

Facebook Williamson CSD PTSA or find us on the district website under the Community dropdown



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**OUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MARAUDER
CLOSET HAS A COLLECTION OF BRAND
NEW WINTER COATS, GLOVES, HATS,
AND SNOW PANTS!!
SIZES YOUTH 4/5-YOUTH XXL**

**CONTACT:
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS COORDINATOR
ERIN ROWLEY AT
EROWLEY@WILLIAMSONCENTRAL.ORG**



WBHN

Hey!

My name is....

Courtney Morehouse, LMSW

I'm with Wayne Behavioral Health Network
and I am the mental health clinician for the
Williamson Central School District.

I look forward to working with you!



**HOW TO
REACH ME**



Monday @ BOCES (315.589.2651)
Tuesday @ Middle School (x3560)
Wednesday @ High School (x5051)
Thursday @ High School (x5051)
Friday @ Elementary School (x2561)

DASA COORDINATOR INFORMATION

BUILDING	DASA COORDINATOR	E-MAIL
Elementary School	Ingrid Wander	ESDASA@willamsoncentral.org
Middle School	Amy Hanna	MSDASA@willamsoncentral.org
High School	Mark Blair	HSDASA@willamsoncentral.org

Bullying Prevention (DASA)

The Williamson Central School District is committed to providing students a safe learning environment that respects the dignity of all.

In July 2012, the Dignity for All Students Act (DASA) will ensure each school in New York State has a plan to both prevent and respond to harassment/bullying. Williamson Central Schools are currently reviewing and updating school protocols and response systems to ensure a safe environment for all students, staff, parents and community members where students are ready to learn.

We recognize that despite our best efforts, students and parents may need additional assistance to respond to bullying. To ensure a quick response to parent and student concerns, the district has appointed DASA coordinators in each building. If you wish to anonymously report bullying, please call (315) 589-9661.