



# WMS COWBOY CONNECTION

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*WMS Families,*

*It was great to welcome students back into the building this week as we began the second half of the school year! We used the start of the quarter to hold class meetings to review expectations, share safety drill procedures and provide updates on computer loans. At our meetings, students learned that if there is ever a drill or a real alarm during a class change or during their lunch/recess bell, they should report to their homeroom teacher's designated location. This week, we practiced a drill during the 7th- and 8th-grade lunch/recess bell. We will practice a similar drill with 5th and 6th graders later this quarter.*

*Please find additional updates and reminders below.*

*Have a great weekend!*

*Brian Bocian  
Principal*

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## **Movie Nights!**

PAC-sponsored movie nights will be held on January 30 and 31 from 6:30–8:30 PM. Friday, January 30, will be designated for 5th and 6th graders, while Saturday, January 31, will be for 7th and 8th graders. This upcoming week, Student Council will select movies for students to vote on through a penny drive during lunches. More details will be announced next week!

## **6th Parent Meeting Course Selection Meeting**

We will hold an informational meeting for parents of 6th grade students on Thursday, February 5 at 6:30 PM in the WMS Cafeteria. During this meeting, we will review the course selection process for students who will be entering 7th grade in the 2026–2027 school year. Important information regarding available courses, timelines, and next steps will be shared.

## **Variety Show!**

The WMS Variety show will be held Friday, February 6.

## **8th Grade Parent Volunteer Opportunity**

On February 18, our 8th graders will participate in a PAC-sponsored field trip to the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center. Their visit to the Freedom Center will reinforce the historical content presented in History class and honor Black History Month. The volunteer opportunity includes meeting our student groups at the Freedom Center and chaperoning student tours during the visit. Parents who are interested in volunteering should reach out to Mrs. Taulbee at [taulbeek@wyomingcityschools.org](mailto:taulbeek@wyomingcityschools.org) for more details.

### **Updated Computer Loaner Policy**

During our class meetings this week, we shared our updated computer loaner policy with students. Students are expected to bring their fully charged laptops to school each day. We understand that, on occasion, a student may forget their computer at home. In this case, the student may check out a loaner computer from the Learning Commons for the day and must return it at the end of the school day. This option is available one time. Any additional occurrences will result in the student being issued an after-school detention and a loaner computer for the day. We appreciate your partnership in supporting students as they develop responsibility and consistency with this expectation.

### **Yearbooks**

Buy your yearbook today before the price goes up on 1/19! Yearbooks are \$30 and will increase to \$35 starting January 19. Parents of 8th grade students: Show your support for your 8th grader and celebrate their accomplishments at WMS with a personal ad in the yearbook. You can include a special photo and a written message. Ads are due by March 14 at [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com). Questions? Please contact Julia Saadallah at [saadallahj@wyomingcityschools.org](mailto:saadallahj@wyomingcityschools.org).

### **Colder Temperatures Reminder**

As colder temperatures settle in, please remind your child to wear a hat and coat to school. Ensuring they're dressed warmly helps them stay comfortable and safe during recess.

### **Advance Absence Form**

With the Cold and Flu season upon us, if you know your child will be out for an extended period, please feel free to use our advance absence form. This form can also be used to notify teachers of vacations or family trips in advance. Please use this [Advance Absence Form](#).

### **Winter Sports**

Our Winter Athletics Season is well underway. Below you will find links for team schedules. Come out to show your spirit and cheer on our student-athletes. For a full list of all WCS School's Athletic Events, click [here](#).

[8th Grade Boys Basketball](#)

[8th Grade Girls Basketball](#)

[7th Grade Boys Basketball](#)

[7th Grade Girls Basketball](#)

[Swim and Dive](#)

[Wrestling](#)

## Cowboy Views

Wrestlers in action this evening!



*Pictures from our PE Just Dance Unit! Did you know that dancing provides a great way to increase your heart rate?*



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

including:

- Finance Friday
- Sign up info for WHS Youth Baseball Camp
- Upcoming Events
- PSA Dine & Donate Event on January 14
- JWC Charity Euchre Tournament Info
- City of Wyoming School's Out Camps for Ages 6-12
- City of Wyoming Summer Camp Positions Available Now!