



WMS COWBOY CONNECTION

WMS Families,

We hope everyone had a great week. A reminder that school will not be in session on Monday, January 19 in honor of Martin Luther King Day. We will return to school on Tuesday, January 20.

Enjoy your weekend!

*Brian Bocian
Principal*

From the Nurse

We are currently seeing an uptick in illnesses such as influenza, COVID, stomach viruses, and the common cold. Many of these illnesses share similar symptoms, which can make it difficult to determine which illness your child may have. If your child is not feeling well, please follow the guidelines below:

1. Check your child's temperature before sending them to school. If your child has a temperature of 100.0°F or higher, please keep them home. Students must be fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications (acetaminophen or ibuprofen) before returning to school.
2. If no fever is present, please administer appropriate medication at home for symptoms such as stomachache, headache, coughing, or other discomforts before sending your child to school. Students may not bring medication to school, and the school nurse cannot administer any medication without a completed and signed medication authorization form.
3. If your child is fever-free but has a runny or stuffy nose or cough, please encourage them to take precautions to limit the spread of germs until they are feeling better. This includes frequent handwashing or use of hand sanitizer and covering coughs and sneezes.
4. Students experiencing symptoms of a stomach virus (with or without fever) should remain home for at least 24 hours after their last episode of vomiting.

If you have additional concerns or questions, please reach out to the Wyoming Middle School nurse at joneske@wyomingcityschools.org or (513) 206-7182.

Movie Nights Update!

PAC-sponsored movie nights will be held on January 30 & 31 from 6:15–8:30 PM. Friday, January 30, will be designated for 5th & 6th graders, while Saturday, January 31, will be for 7th & 8th graders. Beginning on Wednesday, 1/21, students will vote for their movie of choice through a coin drive during lunches.

6th Grade 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 at 7pm!. Tickets are available for \$5 [using this link!](#)

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 for more details.

Yearbooks

Buy your yearbook today before the price increases on Monday 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. Questions? Please contact Julia Saadallah at saadallahj@wyomingcityschools.org.

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

Swim and Dive

8th Grade Girls Basketball

Wrestling

7th Grade Boys Basketball

7th Grade Girls Basketball

Cowboy Views

*Our January Impact Award Winner is WMS Teacher **Julie Christner**! Tremendous work is done across our Wyoming school community to create extraordinary opportunities for students. Wyoming Middle School Teacher Julie Christner exemplifies excellence in her work to empower Wyoming Middle School students with the knowledge, perspective, and skills essential for success.*



In the words of people who nominated Mrs. Christner for the WCS Impact Award:

Julie Christner goes above and beyond in countless ways.

Julie excels at building authentic relationships with students and families.

She recognizes every child's strengths and ensures that each student feels valued and important in their classroom community.

Her influence is felt in every corner of Wyoming Middle School.

Julie organizes and leads the Resident Educator program across our district, guiding and supporting new educators with encouragement, expertise, and steady mentorship to ensure their success.

She started the sewing club for students, which has quickly become a huge success.

Julie Christner excels at building authentic relationships with students and families.

Julie is someone who never stops working hard.

She is a fantastic teacher, mentor, and team member!

Her commitment, creativity, and generosity of spirit make her an invaluable part of our school community.

Julie's dedication goes far beyond the classroom.

She is truly selfless, always thinking of others and what is best for students and colleagues alike.

Whether it's through innovative programming, extracurricular opportunities, teacher mentorship, or her deep commitment to students and families, Julie Christner embodies the very best of what it means to be an educator who makes a difference.

The WCS Impact Award recognizes staff members who are making a positive impact in the lives of the students, families, and staff of Wyoming City Schools. Please use the link below to complete a brief form to nominate a WCS staff member to be recognized for their exemplary work to empower students and other staff members to be their very best:

[Impact Award: Educator Nomination Form](#)

Congratulations to our 7th and 8th grade band students who auditioned and were selected for the Ohio Music Educators' Association (OMEA) District 14 Honor Band! These students joined forces with other middle school musicians from Hamilton and Clermont counties and gave a fantastic performance at West Clermont High School this past Sunday.

7th Grade Honor Band Participants: *Conor Crooke - 4th chair alto sax, Lucy Galvin - 5th chair clarinet, Nolan Berner - 6th chair french horn, Alex Gottschall - 7th chair percussion & Crosley Kiefaber - 3rd chair alto sax*



8th Grade Honor Band Participants: *Evie Schreiber - 6th chair percussion, Rosalind Schroer - 4th chair clarinet, Jack Kruezmann - 7th chair trumpet, Leo Bernay - 9th chair percussion, Lumbani Nkhata - 3rd chair trombone*



Sixth grade students had the opportunity to learn from real-world architects and engineers through the Design Lab program. This week, volunteers visited the classroom to discuss key concepts such as structures and spatial awareness. Students also acted out how structures respond to the forces of compression and tension. Thank you to Adam Berner, Melanie Copenhaver, Ali Hubbard, Jennifer Markel, and Charlie Jahnigen, our volunteers, for taking the time to share their knowledge and expertise!



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

- Finance Friday
 - Kindergarten Registration Info
 - Sign up info for WHS Youth Baseball Camp
 - Upcoming Events
 - JWC Charity Euchre Tournament Info
 - City of Wyoming School's Out Camps for Ages 6-12
 - City of Wyoming Summer Camp Positions Available Now!
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