



# WMS COWBOY CONNECTION

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*WMS Families,*

*We hope everyone had a great week! Be sure to bundle up this weekend and have your shovels ready for the forecasted snow.*

*Please find updates and reminders below.*

*Brian Bocian  
Principal*

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## **Movie Nights Update!**

PSA-sponsored Movie Nights will be held on January 30 and 31 from 6:15–8:30 PM.

- Friday, January 30 is for 5th & 6th graders
- Saturday, January 31 is for 7th & 8th graders

Students voted for their movie choices last week and selected the following:

- Grades 5 & 6: Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone
- Grades 7 & 8: The Greatest Showman

Tickets can be purchased using the links below:

- 5th & 6th Grade Tickets:[here](#)
- 7th & 8th Grade Tickets:[here](#)

## **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 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 Their visit to the Freedom Center will reinforce the historical content presented in History class and honor Black History Month.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](mailto:taulbeek@wyomingcityschools.org) for more details.

### **Mr. Vickous Band Director Nomination**

We need your support! Please cast your daily vote for Mr. Paul Vickous, band director at Wyoming High School, to represent the Cincinnati area in the Barry Manilow Music Teacher Award. This award honors an outstanding local educator who inspires students through the power of music. The winning school will receive \$10,000 for its music program—\$5,000 in cash and \$5,000 in Manilow Bucks for new instruments. The honoree will also be recognized backstage at Barry Manilow's March 5 show at Heritage Bank Center. Voting runs through February 12. You may vote once per day [using this link!](#)

### **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](mailto:joneske@wyomingcityschools.org) or (513) 206-7182.

### **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

*This past weekend, nine WMS string students were selected to participate in the Ohio Music Educators Association (OMEA) District 14 Junior High Honors Orchestra. For this event, string students from across District 14 were chosen to represent their schools during a weekend of rehearsals, culminating in a concert on Saturday afternoon.*

*WMS was represented exceptionally well by 8th graders Olivia Gozal, Mischa Luebbe, Sam Mecoli, and Lily Segrist, and 7th graders Noelle Constien, Julia Erickson, Whit Jones, Hannah Story, and Mabel Wilson.*

*Ms. Coomer and Ms. Markiewicz are incredibly proud of these musicians and the way they showcased both their talents and the outstanding work happening at WMS.*





*Mrs. Iorfida's ELA classes engaged in group work this past week as they explored the four economic systems—capitalism, communism, totalitarianism, and socialism—in connection with their current novel, Animal Farm. They were amazing while working together as a team!*



[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
  - Information about the inaugural Wyoming PSA 5K
  - JWC Charity Euchre Tournament Info
  - City of Wyoming School's Out Camp for Ages 6-12
  - Wyoming Recreation Summer Camp Registration Opens March 2
  - City of Wyoming Summer Camp Positions Available Now!
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