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West Bend School District UPDATE

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Green Tree Students and Staff Thank Construction Workers

At a school assembly on September 12, students and staff of Green Tree Elementary thanked Findorff, the construction company that completed various facility improvements to the school over the summer. The students made cards, a banner, and a video thanking the construction workers for their hard work.



District News

Fuel the Band and Feel the Music

On Saturday, September 20, the West Bend High School Bands will perform at The Bend Theater at 125 N. Main Street, West Bend, and will showcase the exciting Pep Band and Drumline. This free event is 9 to 11 a.m. and is a “pop in” format. Attendees can go to the Farmer’s Market and stop in to hear some great music...or stay for the whole thing!

This special concert is the kick-off of the high school band program’s capital campaign–Fuel The Music–which is raising funds for the instrument lending library and new marching band polos that are worn as part of their uniform. Cash donations can be made at the event. Learn more about the [Fuel The Music campaign](#).



Annual Meeting is Monday, September 22

The West Bend School District 106th Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting of Electors will take place on Monday, September 22 at the Silver Lining Arts Center (auditorium) at the high schools.

An annual meeting is held each year to inform the community of the estimated budget for the fiscal year. The final budget is presented to the West Bend School Board in October for approval. During the Annual Meeting of Electors, attendees who are residents of the school district vote on a tax levy resolution for consideration.

Residents can begin check-in and verification of residency (please bring a state-issued ID for proof of residency) at 6 p.m. The budget hearing begins at 6:30 p.m. and the annual meeting at 7 p.m.

Reminder: Items Not Allowed in School

Working in partnership to help ensure a safe, productive, and positive learning environment for all students, the West Bend Schools requests your help in reinforcing some important guidelines about what items should not be brought to school.

Certain items, while seemingly harmless at home or in other contexts, could be viewed as threatening or cause concern if brought to a school environment. Please go over this list of items

that cannot be brought to school with your child to ensure they understand these expectations. This list also appears in the [WBSD Student/Family Handbook](#):

1. Toy Weapons or Replicas: Toys or replica guns, swords, knives, or water guns or related toys. Even if an item is a toy, it can always be mistaken for a real weapon.
2. Costume Accessories: Items such as fake knives, handcuffs, or other costume props that resemble dangerous objects
3. Pocket Tools (Multitools, Pocket Knives): Real tools like Swiss Army knives, even if intended for practical purposes, can be considered dangerous in a school setting.
4. Sharp Objects: Items like nail clippers, scissors, or even certain art supplies could be seen as hazardous if used or handled improperly. Teachers usually provide any necessary supplies for class activities to avoid these concerns.
5. Laser Pointers: Although often used for presentations, laser pointers can cause distractions and may be harmful if pointed at someone's eyes.
6. Medication: Any medication (even over-the-counter items like ibuprofen or allergy pills) should be managed through the school nurse. Students should not carry (unless authorized) or share medications.
7. Lighters or Matches: While sometimes brought to school innocently by students who may not understand their potential danger, they can obviously be very dangerous.
8. Self-defense items: Items meant for personal protection, such as pepper spray or small tasers, could be alarming to many as they are typically viewed as weapons in a school environment.
9. Hunting Equipment, Ammunition, or Ammunition Casings: Hunting equipment like bows, arrows, knives, and guns are always prohibited at school. Keep in mind that bringing a single bullet or bullet casing to school, even without a gun, can also raise serious concerns.

Check Website for Athletic Event Spectator Expectations

Last week the West Bend School District Update included details on student behavior expectations at football games. Students are welcome to attend events provided they follow the behavior expectations. [Review the details](#) on attendance at football games if your child(ren) plans to attend.



We Are Hiring; Several Jobs Available

Make a difference for students and consider working for the West Bend School District. Coaching, special education aides, nutrition, and more jobs are available right now with the West Bend School District. Go to wbsdhr.org and enter "West Bend School District" at "Selected Employers." Review the list of jobs for a wide variety of options.



Nominations Open for 2026 Herb Kohl Awards

Is there a teacher who has inspired your child? Or a principal who went above and beyond? Nominate them for a prestigious award! Nominations are now being accepted for the 2026 Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Teacher Fellowship and Principal Leadership awards, honoring exceptional Wisconsin PK–12 educators and school leaders.



Each award recipient receives \$6,000 and their school will also receive a matching \$6,000 grant.

- Principal nomination deadline: 5 p.m. on Friday, October 3, 2025
- Teacher nomination deadline: 5 p.m. on Tuesday, November 11, 2025

To submit a nomination, visit KohlEducation.org.

New Math Resources

The West Bend School District is committed to providing all students with high-quality learning experiences. After a thoughtful selection process, Illustrative Mathematics (IM) textbooks were adopted for use in grades 6–8 and in high school Algebra I and Geometry classes. Algebra II will be added in the 2026–27 school year. This year is the first year of utilizing the new resource with students. The updated textbook provides:

- Frequent assessments to guide individual instruction
- A balance of whole-class lessons, independent practice, and partner problem-solving
- Continued focus on math fluency and strategies for solving equations
- Robust resources, including unit guides, for families to support learning at home (multiple language options)

Below are links to resources for students and families to access at home:

[Grade 6](#)

[Grade 7](#)

[Grade 8](#)

[Algebra](#)

[Geometry](#).

Community Connections

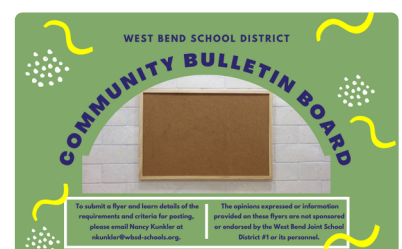
Community Bulletin Board

There are various events and activities available on the WBSD's [Community Bulletin Board](#)!

Athletics

Wildcats Wrestling Club

West Bend East Dance Clinic



East Junior Suns BOYS Basketball

West Boys Basketball Youth Programs: 3 & 4 Grade and 5-8 Grades

West Boys Basketball Golf Outing

Boys and Girls Club 3rd & 4th and 5th & 6th Grades Basketball

Other

West Bend Boys and Girls Club Early Risers Care

Volunteer Center Do Good Bus Opportunities

Volunteer Center One Pan Wonders Event

Volunteer Center Taste and Learn Nonprofit Fair

Riveredge Nature Center Fall Events

Champions Before- and After-School at Fair Park

Cub Scouts Pack 3784 (McLane)

Cub Scouts Pack 3787 (Jackson)

Kettle Moraine Symphony Audience Choice Concert

YMCA

Free Swim Lessons at YMCA

Before- and After-School Programs

Boys Preteen Program

She Preteen Program



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