



10/23/26

Dear Wyoming Families,

It was nice to have a five-day week with students! We were able to accomplish quite a bit!

On Tuesday, our students had great opportunities to engage in activities connected to their future planning. While our sophomores and juniors completed practice standardized tests, our freshmen dedicated time to learning more about their personal strengths and the role they play in post-secondary planning. If you have a freshman student, please take a moment to ask about the activities they participated in and what insights they gained about their future.

Our seniors are busy! With November 1 right around the corner, many are preparing to submit their college applications. Regardless of the path our seniors choose upon graduation, this past Tuesday was a great day for them to work on their application materials or visit a prospective place of employment.

We are proud of all our students and how focused they are on making the moments that matter count! Thank you for your support in helping them continue to build their foundation as they reach their goals. We appreciate your partnership and wish everyone a restful and relaxing weekend!

District Update:

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

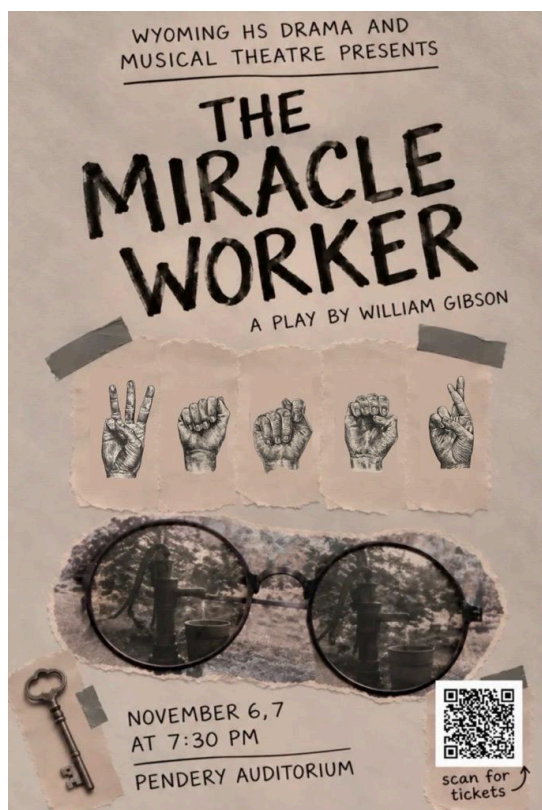
- Finance Friday: Our Primary Students are Making a Global Impact
- WMS presents Hard Boiled: A Nursery Crime
- Upcoming Events
- Get Your Wyoming Class Year Shirt Today from the WyoSHOP!
- Volunteer Opportunity: Help Out at the WyoSHOP
- JWC Light Up Wyoming Luminary Kit Sale
- Wyoming Newcomers Club Information
- Rec Center School's Out Winter Camp for Ages 6-12
- Wyoming Fine Arts Center Launches New Family Arts Passport

Below you will find important dates and information for the future:
Monday, October 26 - Friday, October 30, 2026

<u>Upcoming Weekly Events:</u>	
10/26/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regular Bell Schedule
10/27/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Flex Bell Schedule
10/28/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regular Bell Schedule
10/29/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Flex Bell Schedule
10/30/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regular Bell Schedule
Quick Reminders	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conferences - Thursday, November 5 (3:30-6:30 p.m.)• Fall Drama Production - <i>The Miracle Worker</i> - November 6 and 7• Foundation Day: Monday, November 9 (10:20-11:20 a.m.)• Senior Trip to Washington D.C. - November 20 - 24• Thanksgiving Break - November 25 -29

Upcoming Drama and Musical Theatre Production:

Come see Wyoming HS Drama and Musical Theatre's production of *The Miracle Worker*! Based on the true story of Annie Sullivan and Helen Keller, this is a moving play about empathy, learning, and seeing. Our amazing cast and crew students have been working so hard to bring this important and relevant play to the Pendery stage - and in black-and-white too! Performances are November 6th and 7th at 7:30 PM. Tickets can be bought at the door, or online at <https://cur8.com/2102/project/141371>. We hope to see you all there!



Costa Rica Trip:



If you are a Spanish student interested in going to Costa Rica THIS SPRING BREAK, please see Ms. Knopp in room 300. The trip is running and there are spots available!

Counselors' Updates:

October 23rd Weekly Application Update

November 1st is just around the corner! Don't let a last-minute tech glitch or rush keep you from hitting your deadline.

Here is your checklist to finish strong:

- ☐ **Proofread Everything:** Review your entire application line-by-line before hitting submit.
- ☐ **Submit Early (Target Date: Wednesday, October 28):** Aim to submit early to avoid stress and last-minute system crashes.
- ☐ **Confirm Counselor & FERPA Waiver:** Ensure either Dr. Hunter or Mrs. Lewis is listed as your College & Career Counselor on the Common App, and that you have signed the FERPA waiver. **We cannot send your transcript or recommendations until this step is complete.**
- ☐ **Update SCOIR:**
 - ☐ Move schools to **"Applying"** so we know to prepare and send your transcripts.
 - ☐ Move schools to **"Applied"** once your application is officially submitted.
- ☐ **Monitor Your Email:** Keep a close eye on the email address attached to your Common App. Schools will follow up with portal logins and important updates (this may take a few days).
- ☐ **Say Thank You:** Send a brief handwritten thank-you note to your recommenders, essay editors, and anyone who supported you. A small gesture goes a long way!

Once you submit, take a deep breath and celebrate. You've put in the work, and everything will work out!

Wyoming High School Testing Update

Thank you for your support during yesterday's PSAT/NMSQT testing! Our 10th- and 11th-grade students did a great job, and the day went smoothly. We appreciate everyone's help in making testing a success!

As I look ahead to score releases, I wanted to share a few important dates and details, especially for our juniors and the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Score Release: Scores should be released on or around November 5th.

I will share information about accessing digital score reports as soon as they are released.

A Note for Our Juniors: National Merit

While sophomores take the PSAT/NMSQT for practice, junior year is the official qualifying year for the National Merit Scholarship Program.

- **Selection Index:** Students will see a National Merit Selection Index score on their score report. This score ranges from 48–228 and is calculated by doubling the Reading and Writing score, adding the Math score, and dividing by 10. This is the score used for National Merit scholarship consideration.

I will pass along more information as it becomes available and keep families updated throughout the process.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions: Kim Lewis: lewisk@wyomingcityschools.org

First Semester Exam Schedule:

Please save these dates when planning (i.e., events, activities, appointments, vacations, etc.) around the end of each semester. These are our scheduled exam dates. **No early exams will be administered.** If there are any modifications to these dates and times they will be shared with students and families as early as possible.

1st Semester (All Students)				
Monday 12/14	Tuesday 12/15	Wednesday 12/16	Thursday 12/17	Friday 12/18
Review day	Bell 1 Exam (8:00-10:00)	Bell 3 Exam (8:00-10:00)	Bell 5 Exam (8:00-10:00)	Bell 7 Exam (8:00-10:00)
	Break (10:00-10:20)	Break (10:00-10:20)	Break (10:00-10:20)	Break (10:00-10:20)
	Bell 2 Exam (10:20-12:20)	Bell 4 Exam (10:20-12:20)	Bell 6 Exam (10:20-12:20)	Make Up Exam (10:20-12:20)

Below this line are noteworthy reminders that have been previously communicated.

Continued Reminder About Sportsmanship:

We recently reminded students about the importance of positive sportsmanship at all school events. This especially includes, but is not limited to, maintaining respectful chants in the student section. Representing Wyoming High School with pride means supporting our teams while treating opponents and officials with respect. Students who choose not to meet these expectations may be asked to leave the event. Thank you for partnering with us to reinforce these values at home!

Attendance:

Every Day Matters!

Regular attendance is one of the most important ways families can support student success. Each day at school gives students opportunities to learn, build relationships, develop routines, and stay connected to their school community. Even occasional absences can add up over time and make it harder for students to keep pace with classroom learning.

We know that illnesses and other circumstances sometimes make absences unavoidable. When your child is healthy and able to attend, however, please make every effort to have them at school, on time, each day. If your family is experiencing a challenge that is making regular attendance difficult, please reach out to your child's school. We want to partner with you and help identify supports that can make a difference.

Thank you for helping us make every school day count!

Important Nurse Reminder:

Parent Reminder: Vaccine Requirement for 12th Graders

Ohio requires students entering 12th grade to receive the **meningococcal ACWY vaccine (also called MCV4 or MenACWY)**. Students need a **second dose given on or after their 16th birthday**.

Without documentation on file, your child's participation in school activities may be affected, including field trips (e.g., the senior trip) and extracurricular programs, including athletics.

What we need:

If your child has already received the required dose, please contact their healthcare provider to request an updated vaccination record.

If your child still needs the vaccine:

Schedule an appointment with your child's healthcare provider. You can also check with local pharmacies or Hamilton County Public Health about availability.

Vaccination records can be:

- **Sent in** with your child
- **Faxed to:** (513) 206-7132
- **Emailed to:** murphyn@wyomingcityschools.org

Update on School-Based Therapy Services at Wyoming High School:

We are grateful for our partnership with Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC), which provides Wyoming High School students with access to confidential, compassionate mental health support that promotes emotional well-being and success both in and out of the classroom. As part of this partnership, we are pleased to introduce **Laura Deitzel, MA, LPCC-S**, who will serve as Wyoming High School's **CCHMC School-Based Therapist**.

Laura brings more than 23 years of experience supporting youth and families facing emotional, behavioral, and mental health challenges. Since joining Cincinnati Children's in 2014, she has worked with families in crisis through the Emergency Department and transitioned to School-Based Therapy in 2019 to focus on helping students successfully navigate adolescence and the transition into young adulthood.

Laura is especially passionate about working with high school students as they develop a deeper understanding of themselves, their strengths, and their goals for the future. Her approach focuses on empowering students to overcome challenges, build resilience, strengthen self-confidence, and develop the skills needed to thrive. She is committed to creating a supportive and compassionate environment where adolescents feel heard, valued, and equipped to reach their full potential.

If you are interested in learning more about school-based therapy services or would like Laura to meet with your student, please complete the referral form using the link below. You may also contact Wyoming High School counselors **Ben Henke** or **Lucas Osterbur** with any questions.

Please note that because Laura is employed through Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, therapy services are billed through the family's health insurance.

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Yearbook Update:

Order Your WHS Yearbook, Share Photos & Senior Reminders! 📸

Don't miss out on securing this year's memories! Pre-order your 2026–2027 Wyoming High School yearbook today for the lowest price of **\$75** (shipping included) by **April 3** at yearbookforever.com.

Parent Reminders & Updates:

- 📦 **2025–2026 Yearbooks:** Last year's books shipped home this week! Didn't get one? A limited quantity is available in the front office for \$80 (payable by cash, check, or money order to *Wyoming City Schools*).
- 📱 **Upload Photos:** Got great shots of games, Homecoming, or concerts? Download the free **Yearbook Snap app**, search *Wyoming High School*, and enter code **cowboys** to submit photos!
- 🎓 **Senior Ads:** Submissions close **March 20** at **11:59 p.m.** on yearbookforever.com.
- 📸 **Senior Portraits (Prestige Studios):** Final photo session is **December 1** at WHS. *Dress code:* Solid dark long-sleeve top covering shoulders (ladies); white long-sleeve shirt with tie/dark jacket suggested (gentlemen).

Questions? Contact **Gwen Robinson** at robinsong@wyomingcityschools.org. Help us make this year's book the best one yet!

Student Handbook:

Here is a link to our [WHS Student & Parent Handbook 2026-2027](#) for your reference throughout the school year. We hope you will find this information helpful and we are always here to help if you have any questions.

Freshmen & New Students:

Here is the link to the [Orientation Presentation](#) you participated in at the beginning of the week.

Attendance:

To report a student absence, a parent or guardian should send the dates and reason for the absence to whsattendance@wyomingcityschools.org or call 513-206-7062.

District Calendar:

Below is a link to our school calendar so you know the days Wyoming City Schools are in session. Please make every effort to schedule trips, appointments, etc. outside of the school day. Attendance is a key component to students' academic success! [2026-2027 WHS & WMS Calendar-at-a-Glance: Grades 5-12](#) and [2026-2027 Printed Calendar](#).

Instructional Fees:

At the beginning of each school year, instructional fees are assessed based on each student's grade level and/or course/class load. Families can pay existing fee balances at any point online via the [Wyoming PaySchools portal](#).

Any new fees for the 2026-2027 school year were applied to your student's account the first week of September. At which point, families can use the same [Wyoming PaySchools portal](#) to pay these newly applied fees.

Wyoming City Schools strives for financial stewardship and wants to partner with families to ensure fees are paid in a timely manner. Fees are due by October 31 and school buildings will send fee reminders throughout the year. Instructional fee waivers are processed for those students who qualify for free lunch and complete the paperwork required for fee waivers. Applications for free lunch are available [here](#) through our nutrition services partner, Milford City Schools.

Implications for Non-Fee Payment

If a student is not up-to-date with payment of student fees (or is not current with their payment plan with the Treasurer), the following privileges will be withheld each year:

- 7-12 Dances (e.g. Homecoming, Prom, etc)
- 9-12 Class Shirts
- Junior/Senior Parking Spots
- Senior Class Trip (e.g. Washington D.C.)
- Graduation Tickets
- College Transcripts

For example, if a student, who has not paid their fees, goes to purchase a Homecoming ticket, PaySchools would not allow them to make the purchase.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mr. Voynovich or Mrs. McMullen.

Thank you again and we hope you have a wonderful weekend!

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