

# WMS

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School Office

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	Cathy Finley Principal  Patrick Brûlé Assistant Principal				<b>1</b> Student Dismissal 1:00pm	<b>2</b> Father Daughter Dane, 7-10pm
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 6 GBB @ S. Beloit, 5:00 7/8 GBB @ H, 4:30	<b>5</b> 6 GBB @ H, 4:00 7/8 GBB @ Pec, 4:00 Wrestling @ Oregon, 4:00	<b>6</b> 7/8 GBB @ Rkfd Christian, 4:30 Wrestling @ H, 5:00	<b>7</b> 6 GBB @ Monroe Center, 4:00 7 GBB (A/B) @ Meridian, 4:00 8 GBB (A/B) @ H, 4:00	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Wrestling @ H, 4:00	<b>12</b> 6 GBB @ Pec, 4:00 7 GBB (A/B) @ Oregon, 4:00 8 GBB (A/B) @ H, 4:00 Wrestling @ Genoa, 4:00	<b>13</b> 7 GBB @ Stephen Mack, 4:30 8 GBB @ H, 5:30	<b>14</b> Students in attendance Parent Conferences 4:00 - 7:30 p.m.  <a href="#">Click here</a> to schedule your Parent/Teacher Conferences online ©  6 GBB @ Oregon, 4:00	<b>15</b> SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DAY NO STUDENT ATTENDANCE	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> NO STUDENT ATTENDANCE	<b>19</b> 6 GBB @ H, 4:00 7/8 GBB @ Forreston, 4:00	<b>20</b> 6 GBB @ Polo, 4:00 7/8 GBB @ H, 4:00	<b>21</b> Wrestling @ Home, 4:00	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Rt. 72 Solo and Ensemble Contest @ Forreston
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 6 GBB @ Byron, 4:00 7/8 GBB @ H, 4:00 Wrestling @ Meridian, 4:00	<b>26</b> 6 GBB @ AFC, 4:00 7/8 GBB @ H, 4:00	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 6 GBB @ H, 4:00 7/8 GBB @ Dixon, 4:00	***All dates are subject to change. Check daily announcements online for current information. <a href="http://www.winnebagoschools.org/schools/middleschool/announcements">http://www.winnebagoschools.org/schools/middleschool/announcements</a>	

## Father Daughter Dance

Our Father Daughter Dance will still be held on Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tickets will be available at the door if you haven't bought your ticket yet.

**Coming Soon:** Mother Son Bowling will be Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at Lakeside Lanes.

## Class of 2023 Freshman Orientation

Freshmen Orientation for the incoming Class of 2023 will be held at Winnebago High School at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 4, 2019.

The WHS Academic Advisors will present registration information and materials for the 2019-2020 school year to 8th grades students on February 25 in science classes. Please look for several forms to come home: a pre-printed Registration Form plus driver education information and a specific Driver Education Application.

The Registration Form lists required core courses. Placement recommendations are made using courses taken and grades earned during middle school, standardized test scores (i.e. PARCC) and 8th grade teacher recommendations. Feel free to contact teachers regarding placement; we welcome discussion of best choices for each student.

Students and their family will complete elective choices on the Registration Form. Completed forms (including any eligible Drivers Ed forms) are due to the **middle school office by Friday, March 8, 2019 at 3 p.m.**

The Course Description Book for the 2019-20 school year is available on the Winnebago District website ([www.winnebagoschools.org](http://www.winnebagoschools.org)) on the high school page. This book has detailed information about classes and sequences. We encourage all students and families to know the graduation requirements and to plan a four year sequence of classes based upon requirements and future goals.

Please read the Schedule Change Policy that is included in the Course Description Book and also included on the Registration Form. We ask that students expect to take the classes that they request. Careful choices now ensure class availability plus proper staffing and funding.

Please note that Driver Education requires a specific application that is separate from the class Registration Form. The Driver Education Application is due to the middle school office by Friday, **March 8, 2019**

at 3:00 p.m. Students who turn in a Driver Education Application after **March 8** will automatically be placed upon a waiting list regardless of age or grade level.

Dana Kline, WHS Academic Advisor Students A-L  
Jennifer Brenner, WHS Academic Advisor M-Z

## Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences can be scheduled with individual teachers from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 15th. [Click here to schedule your Parent/Teacher Conferences online](#) ☺

## High Honor Roll and Honor Roll

Congratulations to our students earning High Honor Roll and Honor Roll for second quarter of the 2018-2019 school year!! Students are recognized at two different Honor Roll Levels:

- High Honor Roll - Students with all As
- Honor Roll - Students with all As and Bs

Second Quarter Honor Roll list can be found here:

[http://www.winnebagoschools.org/files/schools/wms/Honor\\_Roll\\_Jan\\_2019.pdf](http://www.winnebagoschools.org/files/schools/wms/Honor_Roll_Jan_2019.pdf)

## Attendance Notes

A couple of friendly reminders:

1. Students who do not feel well are still expected to see the nurse or come to the office. At that time, then, we can help the student to reach a parent or guardian if they need to go home. If a student happens to reach you on their cell phone, please direct them to the office. We've had a couple of instances of parents coming to pick up their child, and we don't even know that there is a problem.
2. The primary explained absence would be a parental trip or vacation. Except where extenuating circumstances are present, these absences should be arranged in advance with written notice to the school office. Explained absences will

include family trips and events such as "Take Your Child to Work" day. Make up of work missed during this absence is permitted at full credit but the responsibility for such make up is on the student. Students will be given at least 1 day for every day missed. **The office must approve explained absences at least one day in advance of the absence with written notice from the parent/guardian if the student is to be gone for more than three class periods.** Planned absences during the last week of the grading period are discouraged. Please note that students will be given only two days of work prior to the absence when approved. Other assignments that would be missed will be provided upon the student's return. A prior clearance form must be picked up from the office in advance of the absence. **Failure to complete the appropriate procedure will result in denial of the request and/or the absence recorded as unexcused meaning no credit given for the make-up work.** Full credit will be given for all make-up work due to an explained absence as long as the aforementioned procedure is followed. Any work given to the student prior to their absence is to be completed and turned in upon their return unless otherwise noted by the teacher.

More detailed, important information about policies and procedures for attendance and absences can be found in our [2018-2019 District 323 Student/Parent Handbook](#) starting on Page 5.

### **Conversations with Your Student**

1. Have you asked your child and seen their grades from second quarter? Have you helped them to set some goals for third quarter?
2. How are you on supplies? Do you need any more pencils or pens or paper or....?
3. Where are you on the Spear-It wall? What have you done to work your way up the wall?

### **Links to save for Winnebago Middle School and District Information. Bookmark them!!**

- Winnebago School District: <http://www.winnebagoschools.org/>
- WMS: <http://www.winnebagoschools.org/schools/middleschool>
- WMS daily announcements: <http://www.winnebagoschools.org/schools/middleschool/announcements>
- eFunds: <https://eps.mvppbanking.com/cgi-bin/efs/login.pl?access=55055>
- Middle School Athletics: <http://bagomsathletics.com/>

### **PBIS SECOND QUARTER INCENTIVE**

135 students were eligible to attend and participate in our movie with popcorn as their second quarter incentive. These students displayed PRIDE, maintained good grades and did not have any tardies or referrals. They watched The Incredibles 2 and had a blast!! We will continue to recognize students exhibiting the positive behaviors here at school :)

### **STUDENT DROP OFF AND PICK UP**

Students who are driven to school in the morning and/or picked up after school should be using Door DD. That's the door on the North Side of the building along the cafeteria/kitchen. Please pull all the way forward to avoid traffic backing up to Elida Street. Thank you for your help in this matter.