

# WMS

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# March 2020

School Office

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Class of 2024 Orientation @ WHS, 6pm	<b>3</b> 6GBB @ H, 4:00 7/8 GBB @ Polo, 4:00	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Student Dismissal 1:00pm	<b>7</b> Rt. 72 Conference GBB Tournament @ Forreston, TBA
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Rt. 72 Conference GBB Tournament @ Forreston, TBA Rt. 72 Conference Wrestling @ Polo, 4:00	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Third Quarter Ends Spring Pictures, 8:00 IESA Wrestling State	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Grades posted to the Parent Portal	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	<b>24</b> NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	<b>25</b> NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	<b>26</b> NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	<b>27</b> NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> School Resumes, 7:50am	<b>31</b> IAR TESTING BEGINS	***All dates are subject to change. Check daily announcements online for current information.			<b>Cathy Finley</b> Principal <b>Patrick Brûlé</b> Asst. Principal

## Class of 2024 Freshman Orientation

Freshmen Orientation for the incoming Class of 2024 will be held at Winnebago High School at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 2020.

The WHS Academic Advisors presented registration information and materials for the 2020-2021 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. IAR and STAR) 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 Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 3 p.m.**

The Course Description Book for the 2020-21 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 Tuesday, **March 10, 2020** at 3:00 p.m. Students who turn in a Driver Education Application after **March 10** 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

## Mother Son Bowling

Mother Son Bowling has been scheduled for Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at Lakeside Lanes in Davis, IL. Tickets will be on sale in the main office starting March 30<sup>th</sup>. The cost for 3 games of bowling is \$20.00 per couple. Lane signups will start at 7:00 p.m. Bowling begins at 7:30 p.m.

## 2020-2021 School Year

Our 6<sup>th</sup> graders and 7<sup>th</sup> graders have received and have been returning their elective sheets to choose classes for the 2020-2021 school year. All forms were due on February 24<sup>th</sup>. They should have been signed by parents and students and returned to the office. Please turn them in as soon as possible if you still have them. These student choices will be used to help make staffing and scheduling decisions for 2020-2021.

### **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.

## Conversations With Your Student

1. What's your favorite class? What are you doing in Science or Math or ELA or PE or...?
2. How are you on supplies? Do you need any more pencils or pens, paper or....?
3. Where are you on the Spear-It wall? What color is your card? What have you done or can you do to work your way up the wall?

## Handbook Items

Detailed, important information about policies and procedures for attendance and absences can be found in our [2019-2020 District 323 Student/Parent Handbook](#).

- Attendance Notes starting on page 5
- Dress Code Guidelines starting on page 14
- Student Discipline starting on page 16

### **Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) Testing in March/April**

#### **- LOOKING AHEAD**

Starting March 31, 2020, we will administer the IAR tests.

Students will follow an alternative bell schedule to accommodate the longer testing periods. Students will have classes for odd periods (1, 3, 5 and 7<sup>th</sup> hours) on the "ODD" days and even class periods (2, 4, 6 and 8<sup>th</sup> hours) on "EVEN" days. Your middle school child will take the assessment in their mathematics and English Language Arts classes. In addition, 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will also take the Illinois Science Assessment.