

## WMS August Message

### **ALL Student Orientation At Washington Middle School - August 31st**

7th Grade - 9:00 - 10:30 AM  
8th Grade - 10:30 - 12:00 PM  
6th Grade - 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Families are invited to attend orientation at their student's scheduled time. Orientation is designed for students and families to:

- Tour the building
- Meet teachers-This is your opportunity to meet your student's teachers. *(The information that has been presented in the past through an in-person Curriculum Night will be replaced by video presentations that will be sent in September.)*
- Purchase:
  - Science Notebooks (\$4)
  - Yearbook (optional) (\$20)
  - PE t-shirt (\$7)
  - Elective Fees (\$15)
- Have student pictures taken and receive ASB cards.
- Purchase WMS Spirit Wear
- Sign up for our WMS PTO (optional)
- Deposit money in PTO student store account (optional)
- Drop off student medication and Individual Health Care Plans (if needed)
- Pickup an OSD paper calendar

To avoid lines, fees can also be paid online for these items through the [Payment Portal](#) or the link at the bottom of the WMS website.

#### **Schedules:**

***All student class schedules will be posted on Skyward's Family Access on Monday, August 30th.*** If students have an incomplete schedule or a conflict, they will need to email their counselor (Mrs. Cusack - last name A-Le: [tcusack@osd.wednet.edu](mailto:tcusack@osd.wednet.edu) and Mrs. Duerre - last name Li-Z: [sduerre@osd.wednet.edu](mailto:sduerre@osd.wednet.edu)). Classes are extremely full this year and there is no ability to change schedules due to teacher preference. Also, no schedule changes will be made during Orientation.

#### **School Pictures:**

O'Connor Photography Studio will be on-site to take school pictures during Orientation. All students are required to have their photos taken for student identification cards. **ID cards are required for all students and are provided at no cost.**

*If you would like to purchase your student's portraits, click below to pre-order their portraits today!*

<https://vando.imagequix.com/g1000875317#login>

*You can also purchase by visiting the website at: [www.oconnorphotographystudio.com](http://www.oconnorphotographystudio.com)*

*If you have any questions or need assistance please call O'Connor's at 1-800-993-4929*

# ***2021-22 School Year Information***

## **PE:**

All students enrolled in physical education classes will be required to wear a WMS t-shirt. If families have not already purchased one, they can purchase one for **\$7.00**. Students are also required to wear court shoes for PE classes. Locker rooms will be available for students before and after their PE class. A combination lock is needed for these lockers.

## **Lockers:**

PE lockers and band/orchestra lockers will be available. Hallway lockers will NOT be available until later in the year. Students will be carrying their backpacks to each class throughout the day.

## **Breakfast/Lunch:**

Free breakfast and lunch are available to ALL students for the entire year.

## **Athletics Information:**

Boys soccer and girls volleyball are the fall sports offered for 7th and 8th-grade students, beginning Monday, September 13 and ending Friday, November 5. Please sign up using the following link: [Sports Clearance Process](#)

Practice will be after school until 5:15 pm, every day with the exception of early release Wednesdays when there are no after-school activities. Games will be on Mondays and Thursdays and dates will be shared once schedules are finalized.

## **Attendance:**

Please call the attendance line at **360-596-3003** by **10:00 a.m.** to notify the school if your child will not be in attendance. Messages can be left on the attendance line 24 hours a day. When leaving a message, please state the student's full name and a brief description of the absence (illness, dental appointment, etc). **All students arriving on campus after the start of the school day must check in with the office.**

### **Social Distancing/Masks:**

**Masks - All students, staff, and visitors must wear properly fitting masks at all times except while eating. Masks must cover the mouth and nose. Students who refuse to wear their masks properly will be sent home.**

**Distancing - Students will continue to sit 3 feet apart in classrooms and 6 feet apart at lunch. Movement around the building will be limited and supervised.**

**Daily Attestations - We will no longer take student temperatures daily or ask for attestations. However, we will still have a COVID isolation room and continue to have an RN on-site every day.**

	Mon/Tues/Thur/Fri	Wed
1st period	9:10 - 10:10	9:10-9:55
2nd period	10:13-11:10	9:58-10:43
3rd period	11:13-12:10	10:46-11:30
1st lunch & 4th period	Lunch: 12:10-12:40 Class: 12:43-1:40	Lunch: 11:30-12:00 Class: 12:03-1:15
2nd lunch & 4th period	Class: 12:13-12:30 Lunch: 12:30-1:00 Class: 1:03-1:40	Class: 11:33-11:55 Lunch: 11:55-12:25 Class: 12:28-1:15
3rd lunch & 4th period	Class: 12:13-12:50 Lunch: 12:50-1:20 Class: 1:23-1:40	Class: 11:33-12:20 Lunch: 12:20-12:50 Class: 12:53-1:15
4th lunch & 4th period	Class: 12:13-1:10 Lunch: 1:10-1:40	Class: 11:33-12:45 Lunch: 12:45-1:15
5th period	1:43-2:40	1:18-2:02
6th period	2:43-3:40	2:05-2:50

### Arrival Time:

Washington Middle School is open to students at **8:55 AM**. Please refrain from dropping off students early. Students will be directed to move directly to their 1st-period class upon entry to the building. Students will also need to be off-campus by 3:55 PM unless in a supervised activity.

### Student Drop Off and Pick up:

Families dropping off and picking up students are to use the Cain Road entrance. *The Boulevard Road entrance is reserved for buses and emergency vehicles only.*

### Lunch Schedule:

To meet social distancing requirements of 6 feet while eating, we must offer four overlapping lunches. Each student's lunchtime will take place during their 4th period. Students will be able to tell you which of the four lunchtimes they have once school starts.

### Advisory:

Students will continue to meet in an Advisory class this year every Wednesday for 25 minutes. During this time, our teachers will be focusing on equity work, academic support, and social-emotional learning.

### Chromebooks:

Students are reminded to bring their **fully charged** Chromebooks to school each day.

### Transportation (buses):

If you have any questions regarding bus routes, pick-up/drop-off locations, and times, please use this [link for the OSD Transportation page](#).

**Additional information can be found on the WMS Homepage:**

[Washington Middle School](#)

**Washington Middle School office number: 360-596-3000**