

WOODLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

September 2023

Dear WMS Trojans and Families,

Welcome back to Woodland Middle School! As we embark on this new school year, it's a pleasure to see the hallways buzzing with energy once again. I hope you had a restful summer break and are ready to dive into another exciting year of learning, growth, and achievement.

For our new students, I understand that finding your way around the school, mastering locker combinations, and adapting to your class schedules can be a bit overwhelming at first. Rest assured, you are not alone in this journey. Our dedicated staff and fellow students are here to support you every step of the way. Don't hesitate to ask for help if you need it – that's what makes the WMS community so special.

To our returning students, welcome back! I know you've missed the camaraderie of your friends and the familiar routines of school life. Now is the time to reconnect with old friends and make new ones. Let's make this year memorable by building lasting relationships and supporting each other's success.

As we settle into the school year, I'd like to remind everyone that our clubs will soon be back in action. These extracurricular activities are a fantastic way to pursue your passions and interests outside the classroom. I encourage each one of you to explore the diverse range of clubs and find your niche here at WMS.

Families, your involvement is invaluable to our school community. I invite you to join our Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) and actively participate in school activities and events. Your support plays a pivotal role in enhancing the educational experience for our students, and we truly appreciate your partnership.

<https://woodlandptsamemberplanet.com/>

Let's work together to ensure a successful and fulfilling year ahead. Our WMS Trojans have the potential to achieve greatness, and I have no doubt that, with hard work and determination, they will reach their goals.

Once again, welcome back to Woodland Middle School. I look forward to witnessing the growth and accomplishments of each and every one of our students.

Success in all things,

Dr. Russell Evans Principal

Important Dates

Monday, September 11
WMS Picture Day

Thursday, September 14
6:30pm
School Board Meeting

Thursday, September 28
6:30pm
School Board Meeting

Friday, October 6
Student Assembly

Thursday, October 12
6:30pm
School Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 17
WMS Picture Re-Takes

Friday, October 20
PTSA Walk-A-Thon

Thursday, October 26
Fall Festival Trojan Band
Concert @ WHS 7pm

Thursday, October 26
6:30pm
School Board Meeting

Friday, October 27
Halloween Dance/Movie Night
3:45pm – 5:30pm

October 30 – 31
No School / Staff in Service

This Month's Newsletter is Dedicated
Halsten Loomis!

Halsten touched the lives of many and will forever
be remembered as a hero!





September Character Trait

RESPECT

This month's focus is Respect. One way to think about Respect is "seeing value in all people and things & treating them with care." Many people feel Respected in different ways and we hope this month inspired discussions with your family about what Respect means to you and how you can practice it together!

Respect is one of the traits we will focus on throughout the year that helps students Be Kind. Throughout the school, students will be developing skills like perspective-taking, conflict resolution, and leadership.

Throughout the year we will be celebrating and recognizing students who exemplify outstanding character traits.



From the Nurse

When to stay home:

- Fever of 100.4 degrees or higher
- Feels too sick to participate in school activities
- Needs fever or pain medication (like Tylenol or Motrin) to feel good
- Moderate to severe cough
- Shortness of breath
- Stomach pain
- Sore throat
- Diagnosed with COVID, flu, strep throat or pinkeye
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- New rash
- Bloodshot eyes or excessive discharge

If a student develops these symptoms during the school day, nurses will use their discretion to determine whether a student should be sent home.

When to return to school following an illness:

- 5 days following a COVID diagnosis if asymptomatic or symptoms are resolving (no fever, runny nose or productive cough)
- No fever for 24 hours without fever-reducing medications like Tylenol or Motrin
- Occasional cough
- Feels good enough to fully participate in school activities
- No vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours
- 24-hours of antibiotics following a strep throat, pinkeye or ear infection diagnosis

Reporting



Absences

If you need to report your child absent, you may do so any of the following ways...

- Call the office at 360-841-2850 and leave a voicemail.
 - Send a message through Talking Points.
 - Email mcendoj@woodlandscholls.org

Please include your students name, date and reason for absence.

Monday, September 11th



Retakes are scheduled for October 17th.

WMS Office Hours

Monday 9:30am – 4:00pm

Tuesday – Friday 8:15am – 4:00pm



WMS Building Entry Students will enter through the commons. Monday 9:40am Tuesday – Friday 8:25am

INVEST ED

Immediate help for students in need

Invest ED is a non-profit that provides students with immediate help when it is needed most, our school utilizes the funds they provide to help students in need throughout the school year. If you would like to learn more or donate please click [here](#).

This year alone we were able to help over 20 students with the funds they provided us.



Please discuss the following rules and guidelines to help keep our bus riders safe.

Safe:

- Stay seated while the bus is in motion
- Stay out of the aisleway

Respectful:

- Voice level 2
- Follow the driver's directions
- Use kind words/polite language and actions

Responsible:

- No eating on the bus
- Leave the bus clean/ Throw away trash
- Be on time

Problem solver:

- Ask the driver for help
- Tell the driver if something happens on the bus

Alternate stop:

- A note from your guardian must be stamped by the office to ride to a stop that is not your designated stop

Cellphones:

- Earbuds must be worn if you are listening to anything on your phone
- Only 1 earbud should be worn to hear the driver's directions
- Cell phones are for individual use and for emergency calls only
- Video taping other students is prohibited

✓ **\$1500 - \$3000
SIGNING BONUS
for new drivers!**

✓ **FREE and PAID
CDL Training!**

✓ **Public Employee
Benefits**

KWRL is HIRING!

\$24.66/Hour

Call 360-841-2023 or visit kwrl.org/jobs for more details

"It's time to start moving forward!"



Woodland Public Schools — Middle School Menu — August-September 2023

BREAKFAST MENU

V 8/28 French Toast Minis	V 8/29 Blueberry Yogurt Parfait	8/30 Breakfast Bowl	8/31 Sausage & Egg Breakfast Sandwich	9/01 No School
9/04 Labor Day No School	V 9/05 Apple Frudel Stick	V 9/06 Ultimate Breakfast Cookie	V 9/07 Buttermilk Pancakes	V 9/08 Banana Muffin Top
9/11 Sausage Breakfast Pizza	V 9/12 Pancake Bites	9/13 Biscuit with Sausage Gravy	9/14 Pancake Sausage on a Stick	V 9/15 Cinnamon Roll with Icing
V 9/18 Waffles	V 9/19 Ultimate Breakfast Cookie	9/20 Sausage Breakfast Biscuit	V 9/21 Blueberry Waffles	V 9/22 Donut Day!
V 9/25 Build-Your-Own-Yogurt Bowl	9/26 Ham & Cheese Breakfast Sandwich	V 9/27 Build-Your-Own-Pancake Bar	V 9/28 Mini-Maple Waffles	V 9/29 Blueberry Muffin Square

LUNCH MENU

V 8/28 Cheesy Breadsticks with Marinara	8/29 Nacho Bar	8/30 Chopsticks Teriyaki Beef Dippers Over Rice	8/31 Nacho Bar	9/01 No School
9/04 Labor Day No School	9/05 Nacho Bar	9/06 Chopsticks General Tso Chicken Over Rice	9/07 Nacho Bar	V 9/08 Cheesy Baked Penne Pasta
V 9/11 Mozzarella Stuffed Breadsticks	9/12 Nacho Bar	9/13 Chopsticks Orange Chicken Over Rice	9/14 Nacho Bar	V 9/15 Creamy Macaroni and Cheese
9/18 Meatball Marinara Sub	9/19 Nacho Bar	9/20 Chopsticks Sweet & Sour Chicken Over Rice	9/21 Nacho Bar	9/22 Chicken Alfredo
9/25 BBQ Chicken Sandwich	9/26 Nacho Bar	9/27 Chopsticks Teriyaki Chicken Over Rice	9/28 Nacho Bar	9/29 Chicken Potato Bowl

V Vegetarian or can be without meat products

The breakfast items will include the following:

- The Main Hot Entrée on the Calendar
- Assorted Cereals & Cheese Stick
- Assorted Breakfast Sandwiches on rotation
- Bagels and muffins will alternate every other week.



EVERYDAY CHOICES **V**

Pepperoni & Cheese Pizza



DAILY GRILL CHOICES

Hamburger, Cheeseburger, & Chicken Burger. Spicy Chicken on rotation



DAILY FAST TAKE CHOICES

Your choice of a Sandwich or salad. Rotating Protein Boxes, deli sandwiches and pizza boxes

Students please enter your PIN for each meal. 2nd entrée is available for a charge—please make sure you have money on your account prior to taking the 2nd entrée.

Student Meal Prices:

Breakfast paid: \$1.70

Breakfast reduced: \$0.00

Lunch Paid: \$3.15

Lunch Reduced: \$0.00

MILK, JUICE, FRUIT AND A VEGETABLE WILL BE OFFERED WITH EVERY MEAL.

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

Menus are subject to change.

Woodland Public School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employee(s) has been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

Vicky Barnes, Title IX Officer, Civil Right Coordinator, and Affirmative Action Officer, 800 Second St. Woodland, WA 98674, barnesv@woodlandschools.org, (360) 841-2720
 Jake Hall, 504 Coordinator, 800 Second St. Woodland, WA 98674, halli@woodlandschools.org, (360) 841-2720

You can report discrimination and discriminatory harassment to any school staff member or to the district's Civil Rights Coordinator, listed above. You also have the right to file a complaint. For a copy of your district's nondiscrimination policy and procedure, contact your school or district office or view it online at www.woodlandschools.org/policies. You can also make a complaint with the Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, 206-607-1600 | TDD: 1-800-877-8339 | OCR.Seattle@ed.gov | www.ed.gov/ocr