



Wilmore Elementary School's **The Bear Facts**

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Message from the Principal by Dawn T. Floyd

We have a lot of exciting events and activities planned for students and families this month. Our Culture Fair was rescheduled for this month, WES Academic Team will compete in our district and regional Governor's Cup Competitions, the 4th grade will have 4-H Demonstrations, our WES Gallery Walk will display Famous African Americans, and ALL students will begin the District Power Up Reading. Whew!

NTI Days! We are so proud of our students for completing and returning their NTI snow work. Thank you parents for making learning a priority! So far, we have completed *four* NTI days.

POWER UP Reading!

Wilmore will participate for the 4th straight year in the Jessamine County Public Library POWER UP Reading Competition! This year's program will last 5 weeks, beginning February 11th and ending March 11th. As ¹ a school, we have committed to read 96,250 minutes during the 5-weeks. We will be emphasizing to students the importance of not only meeting their reading goal but also reading over and above what is already required of them. Every school that meets their goal will receive a CODING ROBOT. You will see reading logs coming home with your child very soon!!



- February 4 Culture Fair 6:00-7:30
- February 7 SBDM Meeting 3:15 in library
- February 8 PTO Meeting 8:30 am
- February 8 Kona Ice is Back!!
- February 9 Governor's Cup-District at WES
- February 12 CogAt Testing for 3rd Grade
- February 18 No School-President's Day
- February 22 4-H Demonstrations
- February 25 Gallery Walk during school (25-29)

Telecommunication Devices and Services

Families, Please review this information regarding telecommunication or electronic devices (cell phones, ipods, smart watches, etc.)

As stated in our Jessamine County Student Code of Conduct booklet #39 on page 13, the unauthorized use of any type of telecommunication or similar electronic device on school grounds during the regular school hours by students is prohibited. This includes the use of cell phones, cell phone cameras, pagers, and text messaging. If student misuse of a cell phone results in confiscation by the principal or assistant principal, the student or parent may be subject to a ten dollar administrative fee before the device is returned.

Important: In order for your child to have a cell phone during the school day, a note stating the purpose must be turned in and approved by the school principal. You will receive a form stating if your child may or may not have the device. The cell phone must be in the child's backpack *and* turned off during the school day (recess included)

WES Gallery Walk!

One of the ways WES will celebrate Black History Month will be by providing an informational showcase of famous African Americans. Each of our classrooms will research and display information in our building (gallery style) during the week of Feb. 25-29. This will be a wonderful week of learning for our students as they will complete the gallery walk of our Famous African Americans.

PTO News

- Our next meeting will be Feb. 8 at 8:30 in WES cafeteria.
- We will be making final plans for our Annual SPRING FLING scheduled for Friday, March 8 from 5:00-8:00.
- Start watching for Silent Auction Basket and volunteer information that will be sent home by your child's homeroom teacher.
- Remind Parents should text @wespto1 to 81010 to join.

Wilmore Elementary School — **EVERY CHILD — EVERY DAY!**

The mission of Wilmore Elementary School is to create a safe, personalized learning environment that embraces the whole child, focuses on continuous growth, and prepares our students to positively contribute to our families, our communities, and our world.



Roses are

RED

Violets are

BLUE

We're so

LUCKY

To have students like

YOU!



FEBRUARY BREAKFAST

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>All students may enjoy a breakfast at NO COST. Adults may enjoy breakfast for \$2.50.</p>				<p>1 Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Breakfast WG Cinnamon Roll, <i>or</i> Fruity Cheerios /Grahams Apples Pineapple Tidbits</p>
<p>4 Mini WG Blueberry Waffles, Sausage, Egg & Cheese Breakfast Sliders, <i>or</i> Trix Cereal / Grahams Orange Wedges Applesauce</p>	<p>5 Loaded Scrambled Eggs & Biscuits, Pillsbury Filled Crescent, <i>or</i> Lucky Charms w/ Grahams Grapes Diced Peaches</p>	<p>6 WG French Toast Bites & Syrup, Strawberry Banana Yogurt Cup & Apple Cinnamon Muffin, <i>or</i> Cocoa Puffs/Grahams Banana Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>7 Sausage Biscuit, WG Pop-Tart, <i>or</i> Cinnamon Toast Crunch /Grahams Seasonal Fresh Fruit Tropical Fruit</p>	<p>8 Mini Pancake & Sausage Bites, Raspberry Yogurt Cup & Blueberry Muffin, <i>or</i> Fruity Cheerios/Grahams Apples Pineapple Tidbits</p>
<p>11 Sausage, Egg & Cheese Breakfast Sliders, WG Pop-Tart, <i>or</i> Trix Cereal /Grahams Orange Wedges Applesauce</p>	<p>12 WG Baked Donut, Cherry Yogurt Cup & Blueberry Muffin, <i>or</i> Lucky Charms / Grahams Grapes Diced Peaches</p>	<p>13 Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Breakfast Pillsbury Filled Crescent, <i>or</i> Cocoa Puffs/Grahams Banana Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>14 Scrambled Eggs & Biscuit/Jelly, WG Mini Blueberry Waffles, <i>or</i> Cinnamon Toast Crunch/ Grahams Seasonal Fresh Fruit Tropical Fruit</p>	<p>15 Breakfast Burrito, WG Pop-Tart, <i>or</i> Fruity Cheerios/ Grahams Apples Pineapple Tidbits</p>
<p>18 No school</p>	<p>19 WG Baked Donut, Cherry Yogurt Cup & Blueberry Muffin, <i>or</i> Lucky Charms / Grahams Grapes Diced Peaches</p>	<p>20 WG Baked Donut, Mini Maple WG Pancakes, <i>or</i> Cocoa Puffs/Grahams Banana Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>21 Chicken & WG Biscuit, Raspberry Yogurt Cup & Banana Muffin, <i>or</i> Cinnamon Toast Crunch /Grahams Seasonal Fresh Fruit Tropical Fruit</p>	<p>22 Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Breakfast WG Cinnamon Roll, <i>or</i> Fruity Cheerios /Grahams Apples Pineapple Tidbits</p>
<p>25 Mini WG Blueberry Waffles, Sausage, Egg & Cheese Breakfast Sliders, <i>or</i> Trix Cereal / Grahams Orange Wedges Applesauce</p>	<p>26 Loaded Scrambled Eggs & Biscuits, Pillsbury Filled Crescent, <i>or</i> Lucky Charms w/ Grahams Grapes Diced Peaches</p>	<p>27 WG French Toast Bites & Syrup, Strawberry Banana Yogurt Cup & Apple Cinnamon Muffin, <i>or</i> Cocoa Puffs/Grahams Banana Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>28 Sausage Biscuit, WG Pop-Tart, <i>or</i> Cinnamon Toast Crunch /Grahams Seasonal Fresh Fruit Tropical Fruit</p>	

FEBRUARY LUNCH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			<p>Entrée Salads 2/1: Chef Salad 2/4-8: Taco Salad 2/11-15: Crispy Chicken Salad 2/18-22: Chef Salad 2/25-28: Taco Salad</p>	<p>1 <i>Super Bowl!</i> Homestyle Chili <i>or</i> Chicken Noodle Soup Grilled Cheese Sandwich Cheez-its Garden Vegetables Seasonal Fresh Fruit Rice Krispie Treats</p>
<p>4 BBQ Chicken Leg, Deli Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, <i>or</i> Yogurt, Cheese Stick & Sunchips Box Macaroni & Cheese Homestyle Baked Beans Celery Sticks & Ranch Orange Wedges/Applesauce</p>	<p>5 Cheesy Baked Rotini & Garlic Breadstick, Ham & Cheese Panini, <i>or</i> PB Jamwich, Cheese Stick & Goldfish Box Green Beans Cucumber Coins & Ranch Grapes/Diced Peaches Sunbelievable Cup</p>	<p>6 Mandarin Chicken with Steamed Brown Rice, BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich, <i>or</i> Deli Sandwich Box Vegetable Egg Roll Steamed Broccoli Baby Carrots & Ranch Banana/Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>7 Hamburger with toppings, Popcorn Chicken & WG Roll, <i>or</i> PB Jamwich, Cheese Stick & Goldfish Box Crinkle Fries & Ketchup Broccoli Trees & Ranch Seasonal Fresh Fruit/Tropical Fruit</p>	<p>8 Big Daddy's Cheese <i>or</i> Pepperoni Deli Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, <i>or</i> Yogurt, Cheese Stick & Sun Chips Box Crazy Corn Baby Carrots & Ranch Apples/Pineapple Tidbits Pudding Cup</p>
<p>11 Dill Chicken Sandwich, Deli Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, <i>or</i> Yogurt, Cheese Stick & Sun Chips Box Glazed Carrots Baked Cheetos Celery Sticks & Ranch Orange Wedges/Applesauce</p>	<p>12 Wild Mike's Cheesy Bites & Marinara WG Mini Corn Dogs, <i>or</i> PB Jamwich, Cheese Stick & Goldfish Box Steamed Broccoli Cucumber Coins & Ranch Grapes/Diced Peaches Sidekick Fruit Juice Cup</p>	<p>13 Honey BBQ Boneless Wings & WG Roll, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, <i>or</i> Deli Ham & Cheese Box Crinkle Fries & Ketchup Baby Carrots & Ranch Banana/Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>14 <i>Sweetheart Day!</i> Taco Nachos WG Tortilla Chips, Taco Cheese Sauce & Salsa Cup, Heart Shaped Chicken Nuggets, <i>or</i> PB Jamwich, Cheese Stick & Goldfish Box Crazy Corn/Refried Beans Seasonal Fresh Fruit/Tropical Fruit Cherry MixMi Frozen Yogurt</p>	<p>15 Personal Pizza (Cheese <i>or</i> Pepperoni) Deli Ham & Cheese Sandwich, <i>or</i> Yogurt, Cheese Stick & Sun Chips Box Green Beans Broccoli Trees & Ranch Apples/Pineapple Tidbits WG Carnival Cookie</p>
<p>18 Chicken Nuggets & WG Roll, Ham Cheese Panini, <i>or</i> Yogurt, Cheese Stick & Sunchips Box Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Celery Sticks & Ranch Orange Wedges/Applesauce</p>	<p>19 Hot Dog on WG Bun, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, <i>or</i> PB Jamwich, Cheese Stick, & Goldfish Box Baked Cheetos California Veggie Blend Cucumber Coins & Ranch Grapes/Diced Peaches</p>	<p>20 BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich on WG Bun, Cheesy Breadsticks & Marinara Sauce, <i>or</i> Deli Sandwich Box Homestyle Baked Beans Baby Carrots & Ranch Banana/Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>21 Chicken Strips with BBQ <i>or</i> Ketchup Deli Turkey & Cheese on Hoagie Bun, <i>or</i> PB Jamwich, Cheese Stick & Goldfish Box Sw. Potato Waffle Fries Crazy Corn Celery Sticks & Ranch Seasonal Fresh Fruit/Tropical Fruit</p>	<p>22 Pepperoni <i>or</i> Cheese Traditional Pizza Hamburger with toppings, <i>or</i> Yogurt, Cheese Stick & Sun Chips Box Crinkle Fries & Ketchup Broccoli Trees & Ranch Apples/Pineapple Tidbits MixMi Frozen Yogurt</p>
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JCS Food Service is offering a new menu service-MealViewer. Meal Viewer is available online (<https://schools.mealviewer.com/district/jessamine>) and as an app. Students can see menus, including allergy and nutrition information for individual items. Additionally, students can "favorite" items from the app, and our Food Service department can then see the data of which meals are being chosen as favorites so they can better plan to serve meals students prefer. Check out the site or download the app today!



A note from the Superintendent

by Matthew Moore

Attendance Matters!

Did you know that students can still fall behind in school even if they miss just a day or two every few weeks? By sixth grade, absenteeism is one of the signs that a student may drop out of high school and believe it or not, by ninth grade, regular attendance is a better predictor of graduation than eighth grade test scores. Research has linked good attendance, starting in kindergarten, all the way through high school, to higher achievement, lower rates of delinquent behavior, and increased participation in higher education.

We work hard to make our schools inviting and engaging places where students can build relationships and learn. We have made a concerted effort to improve attendance with strategies that include a focus on engaging and relevant instruction, implementing support systems to address barriers, offering incentives to encourage good attendance, and applying consequences when attendance expectations are not met. From supporting students with medical conditions through a Health Advisory Committee, to the Truancy Diversion Program in place to help truant middle schoolers and freshmen return to the classroom, to counseling services to address students' needs, our goal is to provide the support necessary for students to be in school where they can best learn and grow to their full potential.

In the 2017-18 school year, the district attendance rate was 94.3%, which is among the highest rates since way back in the 1993-94 school year, a quarter of a century ago! We celebrate your efforts and your commitment to supporting good school attendance; we could not do this without you. We hope that you will continue to stress the importance of coming to school, as we are dedicated to further improvement and we value our partnership with you in these efforts.

Attendance patterns are formed early; children who develop good habits in the primary grades will be more likely to attend regularly throughout their schooling. Making sure your child is at school every day is one of the most powerful ways that you can ensure success and develop good habits. Attending school, even when they "don't really feel like it," develops a strong work ethic and prepares kids to meet future obligations.

Here's how your family can help:

- **Make school a priority.** Let your children know that you expect them to go to school every day and to give the best effort possible.
- **Observe the school schedule.** Demonstrate the value that you place on your children's attendance by planning family vacations during school breaks and scheduling appointments during non-school hours whenever possible.
- **Help your children get organized.** Develop a routine for getting ready for school, concentrating on preparation the night before, making mornings less hectic and helping kids get ready and onto the bus on time.
- **Set a time for doing homework and a time for going to bed.** Unfinished homework and too little sleep are common reasons why children say that they don't feel well on school mornings.
- **Stay informed and communicate with your child's school.** Through the parent portal of Infinite Campus, our student information system, you can access live, up-to-date information on your child's attendance and number/type of absences. Also, stay in touch with the school office regarding reasons for absences, medical conditions that might interfere with attendance and other concerns.

Our district-wide grade level attendance competition, "March2Greatness," will begin soon. Be on the lookout for more information from your child's school and please plan to use this opportunity to talk with your child about the importance of school attendance and its link to student success. **Thank you** for working in partnership with us to ensure that your child takes advantage of every school day to learn, grow, and become life ready.



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