

WILDCAT TIMES

Inspired to think, to achieve, to care with **P.R.I.D.E.**

Purpose, **R**igor, **I**ntegrity, **D**etermination, **E**mpowerment

Dear Wildcat Families,

We would like to welcome everyone to the 2019-2020 school year here at WSMS. This year we decided to devote the first three days to establish to set a positive culture and climate school wide.

Day one we set the year off right by showing our students how much we care about them with our welcoming tunnel. Our ASB, WEB, cheer students and all faculty and staff will greet students as they arrive to school. The rest of the day will be spent in some fun activities and classroom expectations with all their teachers.

Day two is devoted to our PRIDE Lessons. P.R.I.D.E. stands for Purpose, Rigor, Integrity, Determination and Empowerment. Each department will teach a lesson focused on an aspect of PRIDE. This will set the tone of what it means to be a Warm Springs Wildcat.

Day three is a 0,2,4,6 day in which we will start the day off with our first spirit rally. The rest of the day will be devoted to binder organization.

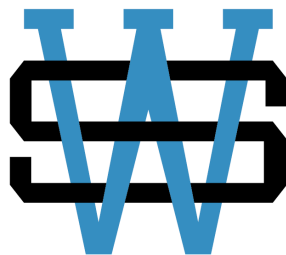
We are excited about this school year and anticipate growth in both academics and character. Our goal is to instill in all students the necessary skills needed to promote into high school with confidence and purpose.

We are here to help and support you and your students in any way we can. If you have questions, comments or concerns please don't hesitate to contact any of our office staff to set up a time to discuss your needs. We invite you to please visit our website for updated information and events. We also offer several clubs as well as intramural sports so have your kids get involved and get connected. Together we can make this middle school experience a positive and transformative time for our kid.

GO WILDCATS AND GO BIG BLUE!

Mr. Picchiottino (Mr.P)

Principal WSMS



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AUGUST DATES

8/14	First Day of school
8/16	P.R.I.D.E Assembly
8/19	School Pictures
	Early Release @ 1:50
	Color Guard @ 4:30
8/20	Cheer Practice @ 3:15
	Drum Line @ 3:15
	WSMS Band Parent Meeting @ 6
8/21	Color Guard Practice @ 3:30
	Back to School Night @ 5
8/22	Cheer Practice @ 3:15
	Drum Line @ 3:15
8/26	Early Release @ 1:50
	Color Guard Practice @ 4:30
8/27	Cheer Practice @ 3:15
	Drum Line @ 3:15
	WSMS Band Parent Meeting @ 6
8/28	Color Guard Practice @ 3:30
	WSMS Band Parent Meeting @ 6
8/29	Cheer Practice @ 3:15
	Drum Line @ 3:15



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

First week schedule

Wednesday 8/14 : Day 1 - No Zero Period

Wildcat Welcome Tunnel @ 8:30 (Staff and student leaders at front of school)

School starts at 9:00 am; students will attend all their periods (1-2-3-4-5-6)

Welcome activities presented during each class period

Thursday 8/15 : Day 2 - Zero period starts @ 7:55

School starts at 9:00 am; students will attend all their periods (0-1-2-3-4-5-6)

All teachers will be introducing **P.R.I.D.E.** each period

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Friday 8/16 : Day 3 - Zero period starts @ 7:55

School starts at 9:00 am; students will attend periods (0-2-4-6)

Binder organization + focus notes

Introduce Wildcat culture: "making connections is the key to success"

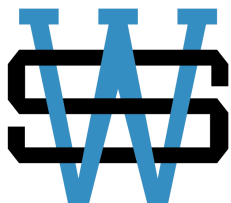
Get to know Wildcat Campus

Early Release Monday is @ 1:50—Students attend all periods 0-6

Tuesday/Thursday students attend periods 0-1-3-5

Wednesday/Friday students attend periods 0-2-4-6

PLEASE VIEW WEBSITE/CALENDAR FOR CAMPUS INFORMATION



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WSMS 2019-2020 Quick Reference Guide

Welcome to Warm Springs Middle School!

We hope the information provided will be a quick reference to answer *some* of the commonly asked questions.

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Messages & Deliveries

Please make travel, lunch, clothing and other arrangements with your student before he/she arrives at school as these items are no longer accepted at the front office. While we join with you in the celebration of special occasions, bouquets of flowers, balloons or other gifts should be delivered elsewhere and will not be accepted at the front office. Calling into or delivering messages and non-emergency items to classrooms is disruptive to the learning environment and students should be responsible for remembering their own work, lunches, clothing, instruments and sports equipment or other necessities; therefore, we no longer deliver any items to classrooms.

We appreciate your assistance in helping us to reserve this function for true emergencies.

Skateboards/Bikes

- Students are expected to walk their bicycles, skateboards and scooters on campus.
- Students are required to secure their bicycles, skateboards and scooters in the bicycle rack with their own lock.
- Students are also expected to obey California's Helmet Law. Please make sure your child is equipped with a helmet if riding a bicycle, skateboard or scooter to school.
- WSMS will not be held responsible for any damaged or stolen bicycles, skateboards or scooters.

Tardy Policy

It is important that students be at school and in class on time. Arriving late to class creates a disruption to the learning environment. Habitual tardiness will receive a consequence as follows;

- Tardy 1-3 - student will be warned and parent will be contacted.
- Tardy 4 or more - will receive a lunch detention and parent contact/meeting.
- Eighth grade students may lose the privilege of participating in the end of the year activities if they receive twenty (10) cumulative tardies during the school year.



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DRESS AND GROOMING

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The Governing Board believes that the responsibility for the dress and grooming of a student rests primarily with the student and his or her parents or guardians and that appropriate dress and grooming contribute to a productive learning environment.

Therefore, the Board expects students to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to wear clothes that are suitable for the school activities in which they participate.

School-directed changes to a student's attire or grooming should be the least restrictive and disruptive to the student's school day. Any school dress code enforcement actions should minimize the potential loss of educational time. Administration and enforcement of the dress code shall be gender neutral and consistent.

This policy applies to all individual schools. Schools may not enact more restrictive or less restrictive dress and grooming codes.

Minimum Safe Attire

Student attire and grooming must permit the student to participate in learning without posing a risk to the health or safety of any student or school district personnel.

- Students must wear clothing including both a shirt with pants or skirt, or the equivalent (for example dresses, leggings, or shorts) and shoes.
- When the body is standing straight, clothing must cover the chest, back, torso, stomach, and lower extremities from armpit to armpit to mid-thigh. Tops must have a strap and at no time may any part of a student's buttocks be exposed.
- Clothing must cover all undergarments. No underwear or undergarments may be visible at any time. Clothing may not be seen through.
- Outside sports apparel and hats that are not directly related to the current school of attendance are prohibited.
- Clothing must be suitable for all scheduled classroom activities including physical education, science labs, shop classes, field trips and other activities where unique hazards or specialized attire or safety gear is required. Bare feet are not permitted at any time.

Attire and/or grooming depicting or advocating violence, weapons, criminal activity, gang-related activity (including clothes, accessories, or colors identified by MPD as gang-affiliated), use of tobacco, alcohol or drugs, pornography, foul language, hate speech, or clothing that could be considered dangerous or that could be used as a weapon are prohibited.

Dress Code Enforcement

No list of dress and appearance guidelines for students can be written that will anticipate all potential dress and grooming extremes. In the case of questionable dress or grooming that is not specifically covered in the list above, the administration will make the final decision. Appropriate action will be taken at that time, and when necessary, contact will be made seeking parental cooperation and assistance.

The administration retains the sole discretion to make the final determination whether clothing, jewelry, accessories and/or appearance meet acceptable standards. All school certificated and classified personnel shall be responsible for reporting violations of this dress code. When a dress code violation occurs, the students will be required to change into proper attire. Continued violations of the dress code will be considered defiance and will be referred to administration for disciplinary action.