

WMS INDIAN MONTHLY NEWS



UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 1
8 AM-12 PM
**6th Grade
Orientation
Students Only**
- August 1
2-6 PM
6th Grade
Locker Day
- August 2
10 AM-2 PM
7th and 8th Grade
Locker Day
- August 11
First Day of School
- August 22
Late Start Day
School Begins at
9:30 AM
- August 25
5-7 PM
Open House
- September 2
PD Day– No School
- September 5
Labor Day–
No School
- September 19
Late Start Day
School Begins at
9:30

Dear Parents,

We are anxiously planning events to get the 2016-2017 school year underway. The first of these events is planned for Monday, August 1st from 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM. Sixth grade students will attend Orientation Day and will meet and work with their eighth grade WEB (Where Everybody Belongs) Leader. This transition program is designed to both welcome and support sixth graders while pairing them with 8th grade mentors that they will continue to work with throughout the school year. This event is a **student only** function.

The next event is Locker Days that are scheduled for August 1st and 2nd. During locker days students will get their yearbook pictures taken (students must follow WMS school dress code to have pictures taken, please see inset about acceptable dress), order PE clothes, add money to lunch accounts, order spirit wear and pick up their schedules. Students and parents are free to walk around to get familiar with the building and locate their locker and practice locker combinations. The nurse will be available to accept medications and any outstanding 8th grade immunization information. Monday, August 1st, from 2:00 – 6:00 PM is set aside for 6th grade students and their parents. On Tuesday, August 2nd, 7th and 8th grade students and their parents are welcome. As always, if you have students in multiple grades or one of these days and times is inconvenient, please pick the time that works best for your family.

School will begin on Thursday, August 11. The school day begins at 7:30 AM and concludes at 2:30 PM. One of the most important indicators of your child's success is excellent school attendance. We need your help to make sure that every child is at school and on time every day.

Our goal at Wentzville Middle School for this and every school year is for your child to be challenged as they show growth. This school has caring and dedicated staff, students, parents and administrators. If we work closely together we can ensure your child's success. I encourage you to contact your child's teacher, counselor, or principal with any questions or concerns that arise throughout the school year and to make sure that you sign up for parent portal to track grades, attendance, and lunch account activity.

I look forward to working with you and getting to know your child and can't wait to see you on Locker Days!
Dr. Kelly Mantz, Principal

IMMUNIZATION NEWS

ATTENTION PARENTS:

Please remember that incoming 8th grade students will need a Tdap vaccination prior to the beginning of the upcoming school year. If you have already turned in this paperwork, thank you! However, we want all parents to remember....**NEW THIS YEAR**, incoming 8th grade students will also need an MCV4 (Meningococcal) vaccine prior to the start of school. Students who are not adequately immunized or properly exempted are excluded from school until immunization compliance is met.

Wentzville Middle School

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Lockers

We encourage students to show off their individualism with their lockers but we ask that they decorate them with magnets and peel off cling-ons only. Students may not use stickers, contact paper, 3M adhesive, or tape as these items damage the lockers. Students who decorate their lockers with these items will be asked to remove them.

Also, students should not put anything directly over the lock on the inside of the locker. This prevents the locking mechanism from operating, and lockers will not open.

Please remind your students that their locker combinations are confidential and should never be shared

New WMS Staff

Teachers:

- Julie Altnether- ELA 6W**
- Patty Dawson- ELA 6S**
- Jacob England- Band**
- Kelsey Heflin- Math 8P**
- Courtney Heidorn- PE**
- Tammy Hicks- Science/SS 6W**
- Austin Koenig- Math 8C**
- Lacey Tiefenthaler- Math 6E**
- Natalie Weems- ELA/SS 6W**

Support Staff:

- Danielle Godden**
- Michelle Kopper**
- Maureen Loucks**
- Colleen Weems**
- Courtney Whittaker**
- Taylor Woodrum**

Sports, PE Uniforms, and Activity Bus

In order for students to try out for eighth grade sports at Wentzville Middle School, they must have a physical on file in the nurse’s office. This is especially important for students who plan to participate in Cross Country, Cheerleading, or Pommers since these sports begin shortly after the school year starts. Physical forms are located in the main office.

Physical Education uniforms will be on sale during Locker Days and Open House. Uniforms cost \$12. Parents unable to purchase a uniform due to financial hardship should contact the school office.

Students who stay after school for a sponsored activity may ride the Activity Bus. Students must sign up for this in the Student Office before 1:00 PM. The Activity Bus departs from WMS at 3:30 PM and runs Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Late Start Days	
School will begin at 9:30 AM on:	
August 22	February 6
September 19	March 6
October 3	April 3
October 17	April 17
December 5	May 1

Early Release Days	
School will dismiss at 12:15 PM on:	
October 14	
December 21	
March 10	
May 24 (Or Last Day of the School Year)	

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Wentzville R-IV School District Values

Learning—Equipping students, staff and community to apply skills and knowledge necessary to excel in a changing world.

Community—Respecting the stakeholders’ perspectives with honesty and transparency as we create a world class educational system.

Excellence—Fostering a culture which supports the highest level of individual success.

Integrity—Dedicating ourselves to making courageous decisions and providing resources for the continuous improvement of the Wentzville School District.

PTA News

Look for our table at Locker Days in August. We will have spirit wear to order and an opportunity for you to sign up to be a PTA member!

Our vision for Wentzville Middle School is for all students to be successful independent thinkers who are confident and intrinsically motivated for success.

Our learning community will work collaboratively to create a safe, welcoming, and connected learning environment that both nurture and challenge students to excel academically.

“You’re off to great places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, so....get on your way.”- Dr. Seuss