

White Lake Middle School

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Dear WLMS Warrior Families,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! The following information should help you prepare for the upcoming year:

- **REGISTRATION:** Starting August 1, 2023, the online registration process will be made available to families by logging into [Skyward Family Access](http://www.hvs.org/page/family-access) (www.hvs.org/page/family-access). **Registration is required for ALL families each school year.**

For parents/guardians needing assistance, HVS will provide support at Oak Valley Middle School located at 4200 White Oak Trail, Commerce Twp. There will be computers available and staff present to answer any questions you may have and/or assist you with the process. The days and times are as follows:

- Tuesday, August 8th at 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 23rd at 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Please note: It is crucial that you complete the additional *Emergency Contacts* for EACH child. Without your permission, we cannot release a student to anyone other than those listed as an emergency contact. Also, the system will only allow you to add these contacts under the following relationships: Mother, Father, Relative, or Other.

- **STUDENT SCHEDULES:** Schedules will be available on Skyward Family Access on Thursday, August 24th at 4:00 p.m. Your child's locker number and combination will be located in the *Student Information* section of Family Access. If you do not have a Family Access account, you can request one by emailing familyaccess@hvs.org. Huron Valley Schools will contact you to establish your password.
- **BUILDING VISITS:** White Lake Middle School will be open to families on Monday, August 28th - Thursday, August 31st @ 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. All students are welcome to visit the school, find their classrooms, test their locker combinations, decorate their lockers, etc. In observance of Labor Day, WLMS will be closed on Friday, September 1st. When entering the building, you are not required to check in at the Main Office but students must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- **6TH GRADE ORIENTATION:** 6th grade students are highly encouraged to attend our 6th Grade Orientation hosted by our 8th grade WEB leaders (Where Everyone Belongs) on Wednesday, August 23rd from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. This is a wonderful opportunity for our incoming 6th grade students to meet our 8th Grade WEB mentors, take a tour of the building and meet new 6th grade friends. Please note that this event is for students only.
- **NEW 7th/8th GRADE ORIENTATION:** New 7th and 8th grade students to WLMS are invited to attend an Orientation on Wednesday, August 23rd from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. This is an opportunity for our new Warriors to tour the building, meet staff, and ask questions.

- **IMMUNIZATIONS:** 7th grade students are required to have the following immunizations before entering 7th grade:
 - 2 doses of Varicella (Chicken Pox vaccine) or history of the disease by the first day of school
 - TDAP booster at 11 years of age
 - Meningococcal (Meningitis vaccine) at 11 years of age

You must have proof of your immunizations before the first day of school. **Waivers are no longer offered through the school.** You must contact Oakland County to obtain a waiver. For more information, go to www.oakgov.com/health or contact *Nurse on Call* at 1-800-848-5533.

- **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL:** The first day of school is Tuesday, September 5th. The start time for middle school is 8:23 a.m. and dismissal time is 3:01 p.m. Any bussing questions should be addressed to our Transportation Department at (248) 684-8200.
- **DROP-OFF and PICK-UP:** If you are driving your child to and/or from school, please use the loop in the parking lot adjacent to Bogie Lake Road. For the safety of all our students, we ask that parents adhere to these procedures during drop-off (7:30 a.m. - 8:23 a.m.) and pick-up (2:40 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.).
- **PICTURE DAY:** Student pictures will be taken on Tuesday, September 26th. All ordering information will be sent home with the students before picture day and will also be available online. Picture retakes will be Thursday, October 26th.
- **YEARBOOKS:** All WLMS yearbooks are ordered directly through Jostens.
- **INTRAMURALS:** Intramural activities are available to students throughout the year. They include activities such as Minecraft, Baking Club, Floor Hockey, etc. The cost is \$30 for the entire school year. By paying this fee, your child may participate in as many intramurals as desired. If interested, please use e-Funds to pay the 2023-2024 intramural fee (under the *For Parents* tab on hvs.org). If you have any questions, please contact our Intramural Coordinator, Mr. Chris Walker, at chris.walker@hvs.org.
- **PHYSICALS:** Any student who wants to participate in a middle school sport must have a physical dated April 15, 2023 or later. Physicals must be presented to the coach on the first day of participation (or tryouts). For those students interested in Cross Country (6th - 8th grades) or Volleyball (6th - 8th grade girls), these sports begin at the very start of the school year.

We look forward to seeing everyone on September 5th. Enjoy the remainder of your summer and GO WARRIORS!

Warmly,



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