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WeR the Heart of Your Community

by Will Snyder, Superintendent



Last year, as your new Superintendent, I spent time evaluating your district by being present, meeting with key stakeholders, and gathering community information through surveys using third-party vendors. Here is some of what I saw. I saw that Western has tremendous students, a dedicated staff, and a supportive community. I saw that your school district is a key component of the community's success and pride. I saw the desire and necessity for your school district to focus on growth and improvement while keeping its strong tradition.

After a year of evaluation, dialogue, and planning, I proudly share our new strategic plan with you. Why a strategic plan? A strategic plan serves as a foundation for district decisions. It functions as a guide as we set goals, identify improvement strategies, allocate resources, and effectively respond to the needs of our students and community. It provides focus.

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2023-2026 Strategic Plan

GOAL 1

Student Experience

Enhance the student experience by providing a well-rounded education that promotes academic, personal, and social growth, and prepares students for success in college, career, and life.

GOAL 2

Recruitment and Retention of an Excellent Staff

Establish and maintain efforts for recruiting and retaining a high-quality staff to ensure an excellent education experience for all students in the district.

GOAL 3

Communications (External & Internal)

Ensure effective communication within the district and with the parents and community to provide timely and transparent dissemination of information.

GOAL 4

Finance

Provide responsible and accountable stewardship of the school district's financial resources.

GOAL 5

Facilities and Technology

Provide facilities and technology that enhance the learning experience of students in the school district.

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In this issue and in the coming weeks and months, you will see more communication about impending improvements at Western Reserve that are directly related to our strategic plan. In addition to this publication, please watch our Facebook page, district app, and website as we highlight the action steps we are taking to meet our long-term goals.

Visit our website to review each goal and its detailed set of objectives.
Welcome to the new school year! The future is bright!
Go Riders!

Welcome to the 2023-24 School Year

by Lisa Border, High School Principal

At Western Reserve High School, we work with our partners at EHOVE, Bowling Green State University (BGSU), Lorain County Community College (LCCC), and other post-secondary institutions to meet the needs of individual students and help them fulfill their goals for life. We measure our success based on how many members of each graduating class meet one or more of the "Three E's": *Enrolled* in college, *Enlisted* in the military, and/or *Employed* in a job that can support a family. This is a team effort, and parents, we cannot do it without you. Do not hesitate to call me at 419-668-8470 ext. 2001 or High School Counselor Libby French at ext. 2005 the moment you have a question or concern. Below are some of our most frequently asked questions as we all prepare for a new year.

When will students' schedules be available? Here are important dates to know:

August 9: Orientation for students new to Western Reserve. Two sessions to choose from: 9:00 or 6:00

August 11-18: Grades 6-12 schedule pick up in the office between 8:00 and 2:00. *Final Forms must be complete before schedules will be given.*

August 23: MSHS open house 6:00-8:00

August 23: 6th grade orientation at 7:00

August 23: Last day that students may request schedule changes

August 24: First day of school for students. School starts at 7:30 a.m.

August 25: MSHS student picture day (grades 6-12)

September 13: Grade 9 student/parent meeting 7:00

September 20: Grades 10 and 11 student/parent meeting 7:00

September 27: Grade 12 student/parent meeting 6:30 followed by financial aid meeting at 7:00

What is the middle/high school dress code? The dress code for next year hasn't changed much: "All students will be expected to dress and groom in a manner that is conducive to maintaining a positive school climate for learning and that demonstrates modesty and self-respect. A student shall not dress or appear in a fashion deemed inappropriate or which interferes with normal school procedures, the student's health and safety, or that of other students. **Hats, sunglasses, hoods, blankets, and midriff-baring shirts will not be permitted in the building. Holes in jeans must be lower than finger-tip length. Tank top straps must be a minimum width of three fingers. Sleeveless shirts must have a hemmed edge.**"

What is this year's cell phone policy? Please see the letter from the administrative team detailing our updated cell phone policy.

When is picture day? MSHS Picture Day is Friday, August 25 - this is the second day of school for students. Parents may order pictures at Lifetouch.com with the following information:

School Name: Western Reserve High & Middle School
Picture Day Date: Friday, August 25
Picture Day ID: EVTHWXVRK

When will the 2022-23 yearbook be available? We anticipate delivery of the book in the fall. Parents and students will be notified when the book is available.

What are the details of administration's behavior management plan? See the Behavior Management Matrix.

Western Reserve Elementary

by Leah Solomon, Elementary Principal

Welcome back, Roughriders! The building has been buzzing these first 2 weeks of August with Camp Adventure 2023. This is a jump start program to get students building their daily habits and getting into their school routines with activities focused on STEM, math and reading.

We are so excited to see those smiling faces in the classrooms on Thursday, August 24th. Teachers have been working hard getting classrooms ready and making their rooms happy learning zones for your children. As you are getting ready to return to school please make sure that your Final Forms have been updated online. You can grab the supply list for your child's grade level on the WRE homepage. Please bring your school supplies with you to the Open House on Wednesday, August 23, 2022. Last names A-K should attend 6:00-6:30 pm, and last names M-Z should attend from 6:30-7:00. We have some changes in classroom assignments that include third grade moving upstairs this year.

Western Reserve District Calendar --- August 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	PLEASE VIEW SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR A MORE UP TO DATE AND COMPLETE SCHEDULE	12pm Golf vs Edison 5pm VVB vs Shelby	9am MS/HS New Student Orientation 6pm MS/HS New Student Orientation	9am Golf @ Mapleton 6pm VFB vs Keystone	8-2pm Schedule Pickup	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	8-2pm Schedule Pickup	8-2pm Schedule Pickup 1pm Golf vs Mapleton	8-2pm Schedule Pickup 2pm Golf vs New London	8-2pm Schedule Pickup 5pm VVB vs Colonel Crawford	8-2pm Schedule Pickup 7pm VFB @ Wellington	9am JVFB vs Wellington 9am MSVB @ Oak Harbor (7th & 8th) 10am JVVB @ Norwalk 10am VVB @ Norwalk 11am 8th grade MSFB vs Wellington
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	2:15pm Golf vs St. Paul CC @ Keystone Icebreaker	5:30pm JVVB @ Crestview 7pm VVB @ Crestview	2pm Golf vs Crestview 6pm Board of Education Meeting 6pm MS/HS Open House 7pm 6th Grade Orientation	7:30am MS/HS First Day of School 9am ES First Day of School	MS/HS Picture Day 5pm Golf @ Mapleton 7pm VFB @ Margarett	9am CC @ Colonel Crawford 10am JVFB vs Margarett
27	28	29	30	31		
	4pm Golf @ Plymouth 5pm MSVB @ St. Paul NO SCHOOL Staff Professional Day	5:30pm JVVB vs St. Paul 6:30pm VVB vs St. Paul	5:30pm MSVB vs Crestview	5pm MSFB @ New London 5pm MSVB @ South Central 5:30pm JVVB vs South Central 6:30pm VVB vs South Central	PLEASE VIEW SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR A MORE UP TO DATE AND COMPLETE SCHEDULE	

Western Reserve District Calendar --- September 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
			PLEASE VIEW SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR A MORE UP TO DATE AND COMPLETE SCHEDULE		7pm VFB vs Wynford	7pm JVFB @ New London
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	NO SCHOOL	5:30pm JVVB @ Willard 6:30pm VVB @ Willard	4pm Golf @ New London	5pm MSFB vs Plymouth 5:30pm MSVB vs Monroeville 5:30pm JVVB @ Monroeville 6:30pm VVB @ Monroeville	7pm VFB @ Plymouth	CC @ Tiffin Carnival 10am JVFB vs Plymouth 6pm Marching Band @ Vermilion Band Festival
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	4pm Golf @ Crestview 5pm MSVB @ New London	4pm Golf @ St. Paul 5:30pm JVVB vs New London 6:30pm VVB vs New London	6pm Marching Band Concert in the Park (Wakeman)	5pm MSFB @ Mapleton 5:30pm MSVB vs Mapleton 5:30pm JVVB @ Mapleton 6:30pm VVB @ Mapleton	7pm VFB vs Mapleton	9am CC @ Galion 10am JVFB @ Mapleton
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	4:30pm Golf vs Plymouth 5:30pm MSVB vs Plymouth 5:30pm JVVB vs Edison 6:30pm VVB vs Edison	5:30pm JVVB @ Plymouth 6:30pm VVB @ Plymouth	6pm Board of Education Meeting 7pm 10th and 11th Grade Student/Parent Meeting	5pm MSFB vs St. Paul 5pm MSVB @ Crestview 5:30pm JVVB vs Crestview 6:30pm VVB vs Crestview		9am CC @ Norwalk 7pm VFB @ St. Paul
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	5:30pm JVFB vs St. Paul 5:30pm MSVB vs St. Paul 5:30pm JVVB @ Shelby 6:30pm VVB @ Shelby	5:30pm JVVB @ St. Paul 6:30pm VVB @ St. Paul	5pm JVFB @ Monroeville 6:30pm 12th Grade Student/Parent Meeting 7pm Financial Aid Meeting	5:30pm MSVB vs South Central 5:30pm JVVB @ South Central 6:45pm VVB @ South Central	7pm VFB vs Monroeville	CC Home - John Speer 10am JVFB @ Monroeville 7pm Homecoming Dance

The next deadline
for On the Western
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21, 2023.

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Kindergarten has a staggered start like we have done many times in the past. Please view the website or enclosed flier for those details regarding Group A or Group B!

Some changes in staffing this year include myself, Mrs. Solomon, moving from the Assistant Principal role to building Principal. Don't worry, though, Mrs. Cornelison has not gone far! She will still be in the building but changing roles to be the Director of Instruction and Achievement with a focus on the K-8 grade levels. Mr. Falknor, our Athletic Director, will be assisting with some Assistant Principal responsibilities. And we would like to welcome Mrs. Klooz to our staff as a 5th grade teacher.

Can't wait to get this year rolling! See you soon, Roughriders!

Middle School Supply List 2023-24

Grade 6
48 #2 pencils
Four spiral notebooks - green, blue, red, yellow
Four folders - green, blue, red, yellow
1 yellow highlighter
1 pack of notecards
1 pack of 12 colored pencils
4 dry-erase markers
Earbuds/headphones - required for I-Ready assessments
Box of tissues – give to science teacher

Grade 7
48 #2 pencils
1 eraser
Four spiral notebooks - green, blue, red, yellow
Four folders - green, blue, red, yellow
1 yellow highlighter
1 pack of notecards
1 pack of 12 colored pencils
4 dry-erase markers
1 red pen
Earbuds/headphones - required for I-Ready assessments
Box of tissues – give to first period teacher

Grade 8
48 #2 pencils
1 eraser
Mrs. Wilson's ELA class:
1 1-inch, 3-ring binder with pockets
1 pack of 5 dividers
1 pack of notebook paper
Four spiral notebooks - green, blue, red, yellow
Four folders - green, blue, red, yellow
1 yellow highlighter
1 pack of notecards
1 pack of 12 colored pencils
4 dry-erase markers
1 red pen
Earbuds/headphones - required for I-Ready assessments
Box of tissues – give to first period teacher

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Western Reserve Local Schools today (**July 1, 2023**) announced its 2023-2024 program year policy for **free and reduced price meals** for students unable to pay the full price of meals or milk served under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast programs. Each school office and the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines will be used for determining eligibility. Children from families whose annual income is at or below the Federal Guidelines are eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk if the school participates in the Special Milk Program.

Application forms are being distributed to all homes in a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free and reduced-price benefits, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. A complete application is required. Households which currently receive Special Nutrition Assistance Program Benefits (SNAP, formally known as food stamps) or Ohio Works First (OWF) funds for a child must provide the child's name, the SNAP or OWF case number and signature of an adult household member on the application. Households which do not receive SNAP or OWF funds must provide the names of all household members, the last four digits of the Social Security Number of the adult signing the application or state "none" if the adult does not have a Social Security Number, the amount and source of income received by each household member, (state the monthly income) and the signature of an adult household member. If any of this information is missing, the school cannot process the application.

FREE HEALTH CARE: Families with children eligible for school meals may be eligible for FREE health care coverage through Medicaid and/or Ohio's Healthy Start & Healthy Families programs. These programs include coverage for doctor visits, immunizations, physicals, prescriptions, dental, vision, mental health, substance abuse and more. Please call **1-800-324-8680** for more information or to request an application. Information can also be found on the web at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ohp/consumers/familychild.stm>. Anyone who has an Ohio Medicaid card is already receiving these services.

The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program official. To discourage the possibility of misrepresentation, the application forms contain a statement above the space for signature certifying that all information furnished is true and correct. Applications are being made in connection with the receipt of federal funds. Schools or other officials may check the information on the application at any time during the school year. Deliberate misrepresentation of information may subject the applicant to prosecution under applicable state and federal laws.

Households will be notified of the approval or denial of benefits.

Foster children are categorically eligible for free meal benefits regardless of the household's income. If a family has foster children living with them and wishes to apply for such meals or milk for them, contact the school for more information.

Under the provision of the policy, **Lona White, Food Service Committee member** will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian disagrees with the decision on the application or the result of verification, the decision may be discussed with the determining official on an informal basis. If a formal appeal is desired, the household has the right to a fair hearing. A fair hearing can be requested either orally or in writing from: **Mr. Will Snyder, Superintendent, 3765 US 20 E., Collins, OH 44826 (419)660-8508 ext. 2600.**

The policy contains an outline of the hearing procedure.

Households may apply for benefits any time during the school year. If a household is not currently eligible and if the household size increases or income decreases because of unemployment or other reasons, the family should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of the family eligible for free or reduced-price benefits if the family income falls at or below the levels shown above.

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Western Reserve District Calendar -- October 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	5pm MSVB @ Monroeville 5:30pm Endowment Board Meeting	5:30pm JVVB vs Monroeville 6:30pm VVB vs Monroeville		5pm MSFB vs South Central 5:30pm MSVB vs New London 5:30pm JVVB @ New London 6:30pm VVB @ New London	7pm VFB @ South Central	CC @ Edison 10am JVFB vs South Central 6pm Marching Band @ Willard Band Festival

Safe and Sound: Securing Staff and Students’ Well-Being at Western Reserve

by Chris Sheldon, Assistant Superintendent

As the district seeks to enhance the student experience, improving safety measures is one of our peak objectives. We know that students learn best when they feel safe, which is why we are taking action to create an optimal environment for our students, staff, and community members when they are on our campus or traveling on our buses. A year ago, our Board of Education took action to improve security by hiring a School Resource Officer, Deputy Stocker. The SRO has been a tremendous addition while adding to the safety and security of the facilities.

New additions coming for the 2023-2024 school year to improve and enhance the safety and security at Western Reserve Local Schools:

Bus Cameras

- Stop-arm Enforcement and Violation Reporting
- Real-time onboard and exterior surveillance
- Real-time school bus location for parents
- Recording and Retrieval of video footage

These additions will work to ensure student safety when boarding or leaving the school bus at stops. While most drivers adhere to a bus’s flashing red lights, we have seen an increase in stop-arm violations by drivers. Our new system will be able to record driver violations and report them to law enforcement for authorities to take appropriate action. Another positive attribute is that the system will soon allow parents to track their children’s bus location for improved pickup and dropoff times, especially when weather naturally causes delays but also on days a bus is running behind during their route. Lastly, the ability for onboard footage will allow us to help maintain and ensure proper bus etiquette is upheld for our students’ well-being and transportation experience. We are excited to continue enriching our students’ experiences, and the camera system will assist us in the process.

Communication System

In addition to the abovementioned improvements, WR aims to enhance the student experience by improving safety measures through streamlined communication with law enforcement. By expediting our local emergency response through wearable devices, we will implement rapid, secure, targeted, alerts. As a rural district where the response time of first responders is often doubled in comparison to our urban/suburban counterparts, time is a critical factor in ensuring the safety and well-being of our students and staff.

The district’s new emergency response system is a rapid and discreet tool that empowers all school employees to quickly and easily signal for help as needed. The wearable device, activated by a push of a button, quickly alerts designated personnel, including law enforcement agencies when necessary, of the individual’s exact location, eliminating the need for phones or verbal communication, which can cause potential delays in response.

Multiple grant funding initiatives have made it possible for WR to implement Centegix CrisisAlert and Surebus to our district this fall. In doing so, we will be better equipped to enhance student security and prioritize the well-being of our students, faculty, and staff.

Should you have any questions about the upcoming changes to our district, please feel free to reach out to Assistant Superintendent Chris Sheldon at csheldon@western-reserve.org or 419-660-8508 ext. 2606.



Cell Phone Policy

Dear Families,

At Western Reserve Local Schools, we believe that every student deserves a nurturing learning environment that enables them to reach their full potential. In light of this, we have been closely examining the latest research on the impact of cell phone usage on adolescent mental health and academic performance. Studies consistently reveal that cell phones can lead to increased levels of depression and anxiety while also adversely affecting their attention spans, information retention, and overall learning outcomes.

Based on these findings and after careful consideration, we have decided to revise our district’s policy regarding cell phone usage in the classrooms. Starting this fall, it will be mandatory for all students to store their phones in lockers (for MS/HS students) and refrain from bringing them into the classrooms. Elementary students are directed not to bring electronic devices to school.

We understand that this change may present a significant adjustment for some families. However, please be assured that we are committed to working alongside parents in the event that they need to communicate with their child(ren) during school hours.

We also want to emphasize that the safety and security of your child(ren) are of the utmost importance to us. To ensure this, we are currently revising our emergency protocols and communication methods. Our goal is to provide effective and reliable systems that also eliminate the potential distractions posed by cell phones.

We appreciate your support as we make this important change. By working together, we can create the best possible learning environment for our students, equipping them for success both academically and personally.

What students CAN do with their cell phones?

- Can check their cell phones between classes at their lockers
- Can bring their cell phone to lunch
- Can use cell phones before and after school

What students CAN’T do with their cell phones/ear buds?

- Bring them into their classroom

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,
Western Reserve Administration

Dane Bonnigson, WRMS Lisa Border, WRHS Leah Solomon, WRE

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(above and below) Art Club students Grace Osborne and Kenna Fields participated in chalk drawing at the Firemans Festival.



WR sophomore, Katelyn Libertowski, performing in the Norwalk Arts Center teen theatre's production of The Drowsy Chaperone in June. Also pictured is Noah Sumpter, a senior at St. Paul.



The Lady Rider Volleyball Team participated in a Team Camp at the University of Cincinnati in July. What a great team experience!



The Lady Riders Volleyball Team enjoyed some team time at the Cincinnati Zoo in July.

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	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense	4th Offense	
Level One	Dress Code	Warning	Student Phone Call Home	Detention	Wednesday Detention
	Tardy to Class				
	Physical Contact				
	Unprepared for Class				
	Classroom Disruption				
	Insubordination/Disrespect				
	Profanity/Inappropriate Language				
	Non-academic Use of Technology				
Level Two	Loitering	Warning	Detention	Wednesday Detention	ISS
	Cell Phone				
	False Reports				
	Public Display of Affection				
	Falsifying Information/Forgery				
Level Three	Skippping Class	Wednesday Detention	ISS or OSS	OSS	OSS
	Disruption of Education				
	Plagiarism/Cheating (Zero on Assessment and)				
	Using Profane Gestures/Swearing at Staff Member				
	5+ Level 1 Offenses				
Level Four	Theft	ISS	OSS	OSS with notification to law enforcement and recommend for expulsion	
	Fighting				
	Vandalism				
	Insubordination Towards Administration				
	Making Threats Toward Staff or Students				
	Transmission or Possession of Illegal Data				
	Possession of Nicotine/e-cigarette/Tobacco				
5+ Level 2 Offenses					
Level Five	Arson	OSS with notification to law enforcement and recommend for expulsion			
	Assault				
	Criminal Acts				
	Weapons Use/Possession				
	Dangerous Threats/Inciting Panic				
	Alcohol Possession/Consumption/Distribution				
	Drug/THC/DAB Possession/Consumption/Distribution				

Allegations of Bullying and Hazing will be investigated and consequences assigned per WR Board policy.

Administration has the right to increase consequences based on severity up to and including emergency removal and recommendation for expulsion. See the student handbook "Code of Conduct" for more information.

School starts at 7:30a.m. Students who are tardy to 1st period are tardy to school and must report to the office to sign in and get a pass.

Band Program

We want your student in the Band program!

Parents of incoming 5th and 6th grade students: This year, your student has the opportunity to participate in the Band program at WR!

Sixth grade students will have band as a scheduled class during their school day. Please contact the school if you would like to add it to your student's schedule.

Fifth grade students will have band 2-3 times a week prior to the start of their school day. Band will run from 7:30-8:30am. Students will have the option to be transported to school by the MS/HS buses for the days they have band.

We will have an informational meeting about the Band program and instrument rental at the beginning of the school year. Exact dates and times will be announced on social media.

If you have additional questions, please email Mrs. Hicks at mhicks@western-reserve.org

Spanish 1 and 2
Supplies List

- 1 – 2” or 3” binder
- 1 – three-hole punched folder
- Binder dividers
- 250 sheets college-ruled paper
- 400 index cards
- 1 – case for index cards
- 1 – three-hole punched pencil pouch
- Pens
- Pencils
- 2 – dry erase markers

See district webpage for more information.

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Mon-Fri 8-10:00AM & 4-6:00PM
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Sun 4-6:00PM




FINAL FORMS

REMEMBER — UPDATE your student's Final Forms Documents. Thank You!





HANG-OUT following the home football games; starts 9/2 for high school students.



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CITIZENS AMBULANCE SERVICE

Annual Donor Drive
Information
August 1st, 2023 - July 31st, 2024



About The Program

Most insurance providers do not cover the full cost of your emergency ambulance service. That's where we come in! When you request Citizens Ambulance Service, your donation provides UNLIMITED emergency calls. Citizens Ambulance will bill your insurance for each call. The insurance payment will be considered payment in full, with no billing for co-pay, etc.

Citizens Ambulance Service Cost Comparison (Typical Service)		
	Non-Donor Cost	Donor Cost
Advanced Life Support	\$1,212	\$0
Basic Life Support	\$1,014	\$0
Treatment w/o Transport	\$250	\$0
Mileage	\$24 / Mile	\$0


"Memberships are extended to municipalities contracted with Citizens Ambulance Service including the Vermilion River Ambulance District (Wakeman Village, Wakeman Twp, Townsend Twp, & Florence Twp), Clarksfield Twp, and Hartland Twp.

Donor Drive Levels

\$75 - Bronze Level - Basic Membership includes Unlimited Emergency Calls

\$125 - Silver Level - Basic Membership PLUS a free community class (CPR, First Aid, Stop the Bleed)

\$200 - Gold Level Donor - Silver Membership PLUS a First Aid Kit for your home or vehicle



Member Level (Circle One): \$75 Bronze \$125 Silver \$200 Gold

I'm making an additional donation of \$

Enclosed is my total tax-deductible donation of \$

Street Address:

Apt / Lot #:

City:

Village/Township:

Zip:

Phone:

Email:

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Donation Options:

Return the form below to
Citizens Ambulance Service
PO Box 224, Wakeman, Ohio 44889
OR

You may also sign up online at:
www.citizensambulance.com/donor-drive

Scan the QR Code below with a mobile device
to sign up and pay online



Questions? Contact Us

Phone: (440) 839 2144

Email: DonorDrive@citizensambulance.com

Donor Drive FAQ

Q - Does my insurance cover ambulance services?

A - Though some ambulance services could be fully covered, depending on your insurance policy limits and descriptions, the average bill for an ambulance transport in the U.S. after insurance averages around \$550 out of pocket.

Q - What if my insurance doesn't pay or only pays a portion of the cost of an ambulance transport?

A - As a member of the donor drive, CAS will write off any portion of the fee for which would normally be your responsibility.

Household Members - Immediate members of my family, which shall be defined as the head of household and spouse, and the resident dependent children who have never been married.

Memberships are non-transferable outside of the Citizens Ambulance Service Area.

Patients will be responsible for reimbursement of any insurance payment made directly to them.

All permanent household members must be listed below to be covered



Permanent Household Members

- 1) _____ 2) _____
- 3) _____ 4) _____
- 5) _____ 6) _____

I agree to be published in an annual list of donor drive members (Circle One): YES NO

Internal Use Only

Date Received: _____ Payment Amount: _____ Payment Method: _____

Western Reserve hosted eight teams on July 27 for a 7 on 7. Head Coach Ty Stevenson talks to his players.

Cafeteria Letter

by Lona White,

Hello, everyone, from the Roughrider Cafeteria! Here are a few helpful things to know before we start the school year.

Families need to complete a free and reduced meals application because it helps determine if they are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals. The form asks for information about the family’s income and household size, which is used to determine if they qualify. For example, a family of four would qualify for free lunch if their household income was \$36,075 or less. Even if your children don’t eat school lunch, there might be other benefits to qualifying for free or reduced-price meals. Additionally, children from households that receive other federal benefits are categorically eligible for free meals and may be automatically enrolled for free school meals without an application — a process known as direct certification. So, it is important to fill out the form to ensure that your family receives the benefits they are entitled to. If you are eligible under direct certification, you should have received a letter in the mail. Please sign and return the letter to school to have your child’s school fees waived. It is important to know that at any time during the school year if there is a change in your household income you can submit or resubmit a free and reduced application. If your child was approved for free or reduced school meals last year, there is a 30-day carryover period to submit a new application. Each office will have applications available, or you can complete an application at: www.payschoolscentral.com

Through the generosity of establishments and private individuals, we have a community fund for our cafeteria. Community funds are used when students reach their meal charge limit. Once that limit is reached, a student will need to use community funds so they can enjoy the school meal offered that day without having to take an alternate meal. Community funds are only available if the cafeteria continues to receive donations – they are not a permanent solution. It is important to make sure that your child has funds in their accounts to purchase meals. The charge limit for meals is \$10.00. When your child gets close to that, we will start calling, emailing, and sending letters home. You can send in cash or make a payment online at <https://www.spsezpay.com/WestResv/login.aspx>.

We will have menus available to take home again this year since our supply chain issues have been resolved. We will still have online menus with all the nutritional information, allergens, and any changes we might need to make available at: www.myschoolmenus.com

We look forward to seeing everyone!
Any questions or concerns? Please feel free to reach out:
Lwhite@western-reserve.com MS/HS
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The incoming fifth graders are building a racetrack for their Mario inspired LEGO cars at summer school!

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INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

Effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

Households with total incomes less than or equal to the values below are eligible for free or reduced -price meals.

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	FREE					REDUCED				
	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$18,954	1,580	790	729	365	\$26,973	2,248	1,124	1,038	519
2	\$25,636	2,137	1,069	986	493	\$36,482	3,041	1,521	1,404	702
3	\$32,318	2,694	1,347	1,243	622	\$45,991	3,833	1,917	1,769	885
4	\$39,000	3,250	1,625	1,500	750	\$55,500	4,625	2,313	2,135	1,068
5	\$45,682	3,807	1,904	1,757	879	\$65,009	5,418	2,709	2,501	1,251
6	\$52,364	4,364	2,182	2,014	1,007	\$74,518	6,210	3,105	2,867	1,434
7	\$59,046	4,921	2,461	2,271	1,136	\$84,027	7,003	3,502	3,232	1,616
8	\$65,728	5,478	2,739	2,528	1,264	\$93,536	7,795	3,898	3,598	1,799
Each Additional Member Add	\$6,682	557	279	257	129	\$9,509	793	397	366	183

INCOME CONVERSION:

Weekly Income x 52 = Annual income

Every 2 Weeks Income (Every other week, Bi-weekly) x 26 = Annual income

Twice a Month Income (Bi-monthly) x 24 = Annual income

THIS CHART IS TO BE USED BY INSTITUTIONS, SCHOOLS, CENTERS AND SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS TO APPROVE AND CATEGORIZE COMPLETE APPLICATIONS FOR FREE AND REDUCED-PRICED MEALS.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Holden Nuhn Receives Top Honors

Holden Nuhn received top honors at the 95 th Ohio FFA Convention held May 4-5, 2023 in Columbus, Ohio. The 2022 Western Reserve graduate placed first in the state for his proficiency in Agricultural Mechanics, Repair and Maintenance - Entrepreneurship.

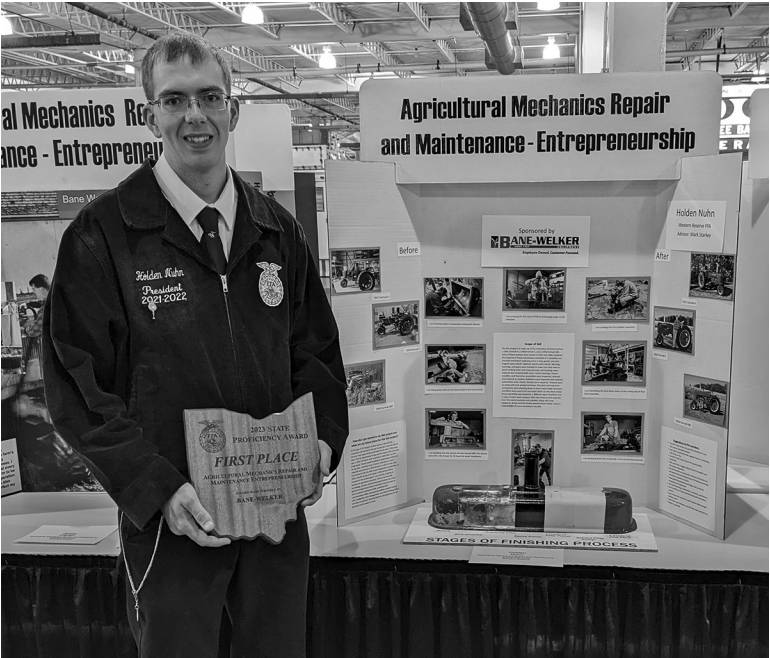
Nuhn will represent the state of Ohio at the National FFA Convention held in Indianapolis, Indiana in November. There, first place finalists from all 50 states, as well as several US territories, will compete for the Nation’s top proficiency awards.

Nuhn’s project and application consisted of the complete restoration of three Farmall tractors, two of which were chosen to be National finalists two years in a row at the Delo/Chevron Tractor Restoration Competition. Throughout his high school career, Nuhn logged over 1,000 hours and invested over \$16,000 on the projects.

According to National FFA, Agricultural Proficiency Awards honor FFA members who, through supervised agricultural experiences (SAEs), have developed specialized skills that they can apply toward their future careers. Proficiency awards are judged on the criteria of skills and competencies learned that relate to an agricultural career field, financial achievements, including growth in scope, and personal growth and development through FFA activities. Proficiency awards provide recognition to FFA members that are exploring and becoming established in agricultural career pathways. Nuhn is currently a sophomore at Wilmington College majoring in agriculture education.



Ohio FFA President Aubrey Schwartz presents WR graduate Holden Nuhn his first place award at the Ohio FFA State Convention in May.



Proficiency Award winner Holden Nuhn stands in front of his display board at the State Convention in Columbus.

A large group of students in blue Western Reserve High School marching band uniforms are marching down a street. They are carrying a large blue and white banner that reads "WESTERN RESERVE MARCHING BAND" and "Collins, Ohio". The students are playing various brass instruments, including trumpets and tubas. American flags are visible in the background.

WR Band marches in their hometown parade at the Fireman's Festival on July 30, 2023.



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Days and dates to be announced.

Space is limited to 12 couples.

**Contact: Wesley Tinch westinchcmcc@gmail.com
or call 567-424-6003 to learn more!**