



JANUARY 21, 2022


GENERAL UPDATES/REMINDERS:

- **Wilmot Panther Expo is Monday, January 31, 2022, from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm!**
 - *All are welcome to attend this event!*
 - *Learn more about course selection and registration.*
 - *Discover all that Wilmot has to offer students, staff, and community members. Explore our academic opportunities, as well as our student organizations and athletic programs.*
 - *Meet teachers, coaches, advisors, counselors, administrators, board members, and current students at this public event.*
 - *Tours of our facility will also be available.*
 - *AP and Dual Credit will be presenting information at their designated tables during the Panther Expo. Educators from each area will be available for questions. Representatives from UW-Parkside, UW-Whitewater, and Gateway Technical College will be available during the Expo to help answer any questions about our dual-credit partnerships and the courses we offer in conjunction with these schools.*
 - *The class of 2024 presentation will begin in the auditorium at 6:00 pm. If you need further information, please reach out to your student's counselor.*
- **Class of 2026:** Important Dates for the Class of 2026 can be found [HERE](#). Be sure to check our [Class of 2026 webpage](#) for updates.
- **Yearbook:** So many memories, so little time! The printing presses are firing up. To make sure we print a yearbook for your student, order by February 18, 2022. Don't miss out on keeping the memories alive! Head to jostens.com to order today.

ACADEMICS:

- **STAR Testing:** On Wednesday, February 9, and Wednesday, February 16, students in grades 9 - 11 will be taking their Star Math Test and Star Reading Test. The Star Tests are short tests that provide teachers with learning data in math and reading. Star tests are computer-adaptive, which means they adjust to each answer your child provides. For more information on the Star Test as well as the ACT and ACT Aspire Tests, please use: [WUHS State Assessments Guide for Parents](#). To access previous student reports, log into Skyward and click on your student's information tab and then their profile tab. All previous reports will display.
- **ACP Course Guide:** The full 2022-2023 Academic & Career Planning (ACP) Guide can be found [HERE](#). We also recently launched an [ACP module](#) on our website which allows students and families another way to explore the many course offerings available at Wilmot Union High School. Use [this document](#) to help navigate the new ACP module.



- **Course Selection:** 9th-11th grade students will begin their 22-23 course selection process in homerooms beginning the week of 1/24/22. We encourage you to talk with your student about this process and their selections. Students will meet individually with their counselors starting in February to confirm their course selections. Students will have until June 1st to let their counselor know of any schedule change requests for the 22-23 school year. You can preview a short tutorial on the course selection process and the new ACP Module [HERE](#).
- **Work-Based Learning:** Sophomores and Juniors - did you know that you can receive 0.5 up to 2.0 credits for work experience through a single semester, a full year, or up to two years? You may also be able to include summer work hours for credit if scheduled soon enough. Learn more about our [Youth Apprenticeship Program](#) and other [Work-Based Learning](#) options from your school counselor, or by contacting [Mr. Strother](#).
- **Gateway Technical College - High School Academies:** Gateway will be offering eight High School Academies in the 2022-2023 school year. High school students who participate in the high school academy will earn an ACT 59/CTE Incentive credential from Gateway Technical College and/or will complete 15-20% of their Associate's Degree before they graduate from high school. Additional information is available online at gtc.edu/earn-credit under High School Academies. There will be an information session for Students & Parents on Tuesday, February 8, from 5:30 pm-6:30 pm via Zoom. Forms & applications are due on May 15 to the High School Partnerships Team at dualcredit@gtc.edu. Priority will be given to students who turn in a form by March 1. See [Mr. Strother](#) for additional details.
- **Second Semester Gradebook Information:** For the second semester, teachers will be making two changes to their gradebooks.
 - The first change will apply to any student who has an **extended excused absence**. If a student has an extended excused absence and misses a summative assessment, the missed summative assessment grade will be marked as an incomplete, "I". The incomplete grade will change both the term and semester grades to incompletes. *If a student does not complete the summative assessment within the appropriate time frame, the "I" may switch to a zero, which could impact the overall grade.*
 - The second change will apply to any **missing work** students may have that can still be completed for credit. Any missing work students have that can still be turned in will be marked with  [checkmark] under the "Missing" column in Skyward to show that the student is missing the work and that it can still be turned in for credit.
 - **Please contact your student's teacher or counselor if you have a question or concern about a specific grade.**
- **Quarantined Students:** If a student is quarantined this year, parents/guardians can expect the following process to be followed:
 - An Associate Principal will call families with the next steps.



- The student's counselor will email all of the teachers and include the student & parent(s)/guardian(s) on the email to indicate the length of absence. This email is to ensure that all parties have each other's contact information to help the student continue to engage in school remotely.
- Students will be required to complete a daily check-in form emailed each day of quarantine from Ms. Cates. Ms. Cates will help to facilitate any communication and/or connections that students may need with their teachers. If a student does not complete the form for two consecutive school days, someone from Wilmot Union High School will reach out to help problem-solve.
- Students will need to check the Google Classroom assigned to each of their courses on a daily basis for updates, assignments, and class resources. They should contact the teacher directly with specific questions. For information on Google classroom and setting up a guardian summary click [HERE](#).
- Students who are returning from quarantine may be entered into a guided study hall. When their make-up work from quarantine is complete, they will return to their regular study hall.

STUDENT SERVICES:

- **Course Selection Information:** As mentioned above, Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors will receive their 2022-2023 Course Selection Worksheet in their homeroom next week. We ask that you please review this worksheet with your student. Please make sure your student selects not only their first choice courses but also alternate class choices. Students will also have the opportunity to discuss their courses with their homeroom teacher and see a grade-specific presentation to assist with the course selection process. Parents & Guardians can expect to see communication from their student's counselor next week with additional course selection information.
- **Class of 2022:**
 - **Yearbook Recognition Ads:** Senior Parents! Celebrate the memorable moments from throughout your students' school years with an ad in the yearbook. Hurry before it's too late, this is your last chance to order a recognition ad, head to jostens.com to order before February 18.
 - **Senior Awards Banquet:** We want to celebrate you! Please complete this [form](#) with any scholarships you have received. All scholarships must be entered by Thursday, May 20 to be included at our Senior Awards Banquet which will be held Wednesday, May 25 at 6:30 pm.
 - **Senior Spotlight:** Once again, student services will be highlighting our seniors with a senior spotlight series. We would love to celebrate each and every one of you as you finish up your journey here at Wilmot and head on to new adventures. Please complete the [Senior Spotlight Form](#) to be recognized through social media. If you or



your parents would like a copy of the slide emailed, we are happy to do that as well. Reach out to Mrs. Carpenter at carpenterr@wilmoths.k12.wi.us with any questions.

- **Badger Boys/Girls State Representative:** Juniors and Seniors - if you are interested in being this year's Badger Boys State or Badger Girls State representative please see Mrs. Sweatman in the Student Services Office by Wednesday, January 19. Badger Boys/Girls State is a program that provides the opportunity for young men and women to learn more about the civic processes of our state's government and the leadership that is required to build a community.

For more information regarding the programs, please see the links below.

Badger Boys State

<https://badgerboysstate.org/>

Badger Girls State

<https://www.alabgs.org/>

- **ACT Prep Class:** This is a reminder to all Juniors that the next ACT Prep class will be starting in January. This class prepares students for the Statewide ACT test on March 8, 2022, which all Juniors are required to take. Classes start on Monday, January 24 and the cost is \$165. For more information regarding the structure of the class, please visit [Wisconsin Test Prep](#). You can view the full class schedule [here](#), and register for the Wilmot class at [Wisconsin Test Prep](#). *You will be receiving more information regarding the March 8th Statewide ACT test at a later date.*
- **ASVAB Test:** Wilmot Union High School will be proctoring the ASVAB test to students on Tuesday, February 8, from 7:30-10:30 a.m. *This is a late start Tuesday.* The ASVAB is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. If your student would like to take the ASVAB test, please have them complete the ASVAB Registration Form that was emailed to them by Tuesday, February 1. As the date gets closer you will receive more information regarding the testing room location and details.
- **Scholarship Bulletin:** The [scholarship bulletin](#) has been updated. Please take a look to see what opportunities are available for your student as they continue their post-secondary plans.

ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES:

- **Group Picture Day:** Club/Activity pictures will take place on Thursday, January 27, 2022. Have your student see their advisor for additional information on times and locations.
- **Library News:** Next month is Black History Month and the library will be celebrating by having different themed book displays and trivia through the announcements. Students and staff, feel free to visit any day in February to read books and celebrate Black History Month with us!



- **Blood Drive:** Our next blood drive will be on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm at Wilmot Union High School. Visit: <https://bit.ly/wilmoths23> for more information.
- **Paw Prints:** Students, if you are interested in being in Paw Prints in the spring email Mrs. Hammersmith (Hammersmithj@wilmoths.k12.wi.us) or Mr. Straub (Straubp@wilmoths.k12.wi.us) and we'll get you set up!

Here is what you need to know:

- Being in Paw Prints you will earn 1/4 credit
- Paw Prints happens during your study hall in the library
- Students get 1 free poster print as your practice printing
- Great way to practice digital design
- Students will get experience in the industry used software Flexi that is used in print shops nationwide
- An excellent way to make friends who share the same interests in design
- This summer there will also be a Paw Prints design course as well! Sign up for that too!
- **Hall of Fame:** Wilmot Union High School is currently seeking candidates for its 2022 Hall of Fame. To be eligible for this honor, candidates must have graduated from Wilmot Union High School in 2008 or earlier. Additional information about the nomination process can be found [HERE](#).

COVID-19 INFORMATION:

- **COVID-19 Guidelines** can be found [HERE](#).
- **COVID-19 Guidance for Parents:** Use this [daily checklist](#) to determine whether or not you should send your student to school. Do not send your child to school if they are ill.
- **COVID-19 Dashboard** can be found [HERE](#).

Have a wonderful weekend, Panthers!