

FEBRUARY 4, 2022 GENERAL UPDATES/REMINDERS:

- Wilmot Panther Expo: Thank you to everyone who came out to the expo on Monday night!
 We had a wonderful turnout. If you attended our Expo, please take a moment to provide your feedback using this FORM.
 If you missed the Class of 2024 ACP Presentation, you can view it HERE.
- Superintendent Search: The Wilmot Union High School District has hired the superintendent search firm, McPherson & Jacobson, LLC, to assist in the process of selecting a new superintendent for the 2022-2023 school year. As part of the process, the consultants will be hosting various stakeholder input sessions on Tuesday, February 15. If you are interested in attending one of the stakeholder input sessions, please complete this FORM by Thursday, February 10. Additional information about these sessions will be shared out at a later date.
- **Summer School:** Summer school registration forms for current freshmen, sophomores, and juniors can be turned in starting on Monday, February 7. Summer school forms can be found here: <u>Current Students</u> / <u>Incoming Freshmen</u>.
- **Spring Break:** A reminder that Spring Break is March 21-25. There will be no school on these days and the offices will be closed. Normal school and office hours will resume on Monday, March 28th.
- Class of 2026: Remember to mark your calendars for Wednesday, March 2 from 5:30-6:30pm for your Course Selection Night. Meet in the auditorium for the presentation at 5:30pm. Additional Dates for the Class of 2026 can be found HERE. Be sure to check our Class of 2026 webpage for updates.

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. *Students, please remember to come prepared with a fully charged Chromebook.*
- Juniors-Only ACT Day: Wilmot Union High School will be administering the ACT plus Writing examination on March 8, 2022. This test is state-mandated for all 11th-grade students. The school day for Juniors on March 8 will run from 7:30 am until 12:15 pm with our doors opening at 7:00 am. More information about our ACT testing day will be communicated to



our Juniors and their families in the coming weeks via Skyward email and the US Postal Service. Attendance of Juniors on March 8th is essential. There is no school for 9th, 10th, or 12th-grade students on this day.

Please note that any Juniors with **ACT accommodations** WILL NOT have the same testing timeframe as stated above. They will need to report on March 8th to begin testing at 7:30 am, but they will test later than 12:15 pm. *You will receive a mailing that includes your student's specific schedule according to their accommodations.* If you have any questions about your student's accommodations, please contact Alana Jefferies at jefferiesa@wilmoths.k12.wi.us or (262) 862-2351 ext 307.

- ACP Course Guide: The full 2022-2023 Academic & Career Planning (ACP) Guide can be found <u>HERE</u>. We also recently launched an <u>ACP module</u> on our website which allows students and families another way to explore the many course offerings available at Wilmot Union High School. Use <u>this document</u> to help navigate the new ACP module.
- Course Selection: 9th-11th grade students have begun the 2022-2023 school year course selection process. We encourage you to talk with your student about this process and their selections. Students will meet individually with their counselors 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. If you have any questions and/or want to talk through your student's courses more, as always, please contact your student's counselor.
- 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 <u>Youth Apprenticeship Program</u> and other <u>Work-Based Learning</u> options from your school counselor, or by contacting <u>Mr. Strother</u>.
- 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.
- 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:

• 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 <u>Senior Spotlight Form</u> 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 <u>carpenterr@wilmoths.k12.wi.us</u> with any questions.
- **Scholarship Bulletin:** The <u>scholarship bulletin</u> 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:

- Prom: Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 30th from 6:00 PM 10:00 PM. This year's prom will be held at Bella Vita Banquet Hall and the theme is "Black & Gold Gala." Ticket information will be shared out in March. The price of the ticket will include an Italian Buffet dinner with salad, rolls, and dessert, DJ, table gifts, and a photo booth. Get excited, Panthers!
- **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 <u>iostens.com</u> to order today.
- **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.lv/wilmoths23 for more information.
- 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 <u>HERE</u>.
- **COVID-19 Guidance for Parents:** Use this <u>daily checklist</u> 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 <u>HERE</u>.

Have a wonderful weekend, Panthers!