

March 17, 2023

# **GENERAL UPDATES/REMINDERS:**

- A Message from our District Administrator Dr. Michael Plourde
   \*\*\*Attention\*\*\*
  - Wilmot Union High School will have an operational referendum question on the ballot for the April 4th election. Please visit our <u>website</u> for more information including Referendum FAQs, Tax Impact Calculator, and Find My Polling Place. Feel welcome to come to Dr. Plourde with any questions.
  - Due to several inclement weather days this winter, we have had to make adjustments to our calendar to ensure we meet the state-mandated number of instructional hours.
     Please make note of the following changes:
    - Tuesday, March 7th will be a full school day for all students. The schedule will be unique, as juniors will be taking the ACT test in a separate area of the building. Students, please listen to your teachers to ensure you know where to go that day.
    - Monday, April 10th will be a full school day.
    - March 14th, April 11th, April 25th, May 9th, and May 23rd will be full school days instead of late starts.
- A Message from our Principal Rob Kreil:
  - Wilmot Union High School is thrilled to announce a partnership with Gateway Technical
     College that will automatically admit the entire graduating class of 2023 to Gateway.
    - Here's what makes Gateway Technical College a great choice.
      - 75+ programs give you plenty of options
      - Small classes and hands-on learning prepare you for the real world
      - Active campus community offers student life, community service and study abroad opportunities
      - Student support programs help you succeed
      - 70+ transfer partnerships, including two new Liberal Arts transfer programs, allow you to easily continue on to pursue a bachelor's degree
    - All Seniors will be receiving a letter from Gateway explaining this relationship with Wilmot Union High School and if interested the steps needed to accept this admission offer. If you have any questions please contact your school counselor or Principal Rob Kreil.
  - Spring Conferences will begin on April 6th from 4-7pm. We will be following the same format as the Fall conferences with Skyward and scheduling in classrooms. More information to follow.



- **DPI PRESS RELEASE Open Enrollment:** DPI has issued a press release announcing the open enrollment application period for the 2023-24 school year.
  - The release is located at:
     <a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/news-release/dpinr2023-05.pdf">https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/news-release/dpinr2023-05.pdf</a>.
  - If you have any questions, please contact openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov or at 888-245-2732, option 2.
- **KENOSHA COUNTY ROAD CLOSURE \*UPDATE\***: Kenosha County's spring 2023 culvert rehabilitation project is underway, causing lane closures and limited full closures on several roadways across the county. As such, the Kenosha County Division of Highways would like to inform our school districts of these projects, as they may involve detours or traffic delays on some of your bus routes.
  - The culvert replacement locations and projected times are as follows:
    - Highway C (Wilmot Road) between Highway W (Fox River Road) and Highway B (304th Avenue):
      - Full highway closure scheduled for Highway surface restoration work on March 27 and 28 (school spring break period).
  - Note: This projected work schedule is weather-dependent and is subject to change. A
    map of the culvert replacement locations is <u>available here</u>.
  - This information is also available on the Kenosha County website, at <a href="https://www.kenoshacounty.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=2720">https://www.kenoshacounty.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=2720</a>.

#### Board of Education:

 The next BOE meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 22nd at 6:00pm in the WUHS Library.

#### Parent Panther News

- Parent Panther News
  - The Parent Panther News will be updated almost daily to share information from Principal Kreil. The Parent Panther News will also contain a link to our Panther News, which is our daily student announcements.

### • 2023-2024 Academic School Calendar:

Our <u>2023-24 Academic Calendar</u> is available now! Follow the link for additional information.

## • Summer School Calendar - 2023:

Our <u>Summer School Calendar - 2023</u> is available now! Follow the link for additional information.



- **CLASS OF 2027:** Welcome Wilmot Class of 2027 The link below will help answer questions as you start the process of transitioning to high school.
  - o Wilmot High School Class of 2027 Summer School Enrollment
- PantherCrombie: Our school-wide free clothing exchange, is in need of warm winter gear. While
  you clean out your closets, check for any hoodies or sweats that our Wilmot students would
  wear! Thank you! If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Vernezze at
  vernezzen@wilmoths.k12.wi.us.
- Enroll in text messaging! <u>Text Messaging Service Enroll Here!</u>
- Attendance: It is very important that students arrive at school on time. Tardiness affects their
  academics and also creates disruptions throughout the school. Please remind and encourage
  your student to arrive at school early/on time.
  - Please remember to notify the school prior to your student leaving. This can be done by emailing <u>attendance@wilmoths.k12.wi.us</u> or calling the attendance line at 262-862-2351 and selecting one (1).
  - Reminder: Please provide the school with a doctor's note for any medical visits. By using
    a doctor's note for attendance you will not be using all of your 10 parental excuses.

#### **ACADEMICS:**

#### STUDENT SERVICES:

- **Summer School:** Current students interested in taking summer school courses can pick up a form in Student Services. Forms can be picked up from Mr. Slawson.
- The 2023-2024 Course Selection is complete!
  - Now that all of our students have selected their classes for the 2023-24 school year, we begin the work of taking all of the selections into consideration as we create the master schedule for every student in the building. It is important that the alternate choices are accurate. Please take time to review your student's course selections for next year one more time. You can see your student's course selection in Skyward under "Schedule," then "Course Requests." Students have until June 1st to make changes to their course selection. As always, if you have any questions, please reach out to your student's school 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>.
- Hello Class of 2023!!!





- Our Counselors are excited to let you know that we have a scholarship bulletin where local (and sometimes not-so-local) scholarships are listed. They will update this list bi-weekly, and will send out a new link to you, but you are encouraged to look at it any
- Remember there are scholarships for ALL types of things: 4 year schools, 2 year schools, and even trades! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mrs. Carpenter, carpenterr@wilmoths.k12.wi.us
- Check it out by following the link!
  - Scholarship Bulletin
- Senior Spotlight: We are once again showcasing our senior class through our senior spotlight series. This is a chance for the class of 2023 to celebrate how far they've come and leave behind some words of wisdom. Please complete the following form in order to get your spotlight posted!
  - Senior Spotlight Form
- **UPDATE: WISCONSIN TUITION PROMISE PROGRAM:** 
  - New information has recently been added to the Wisconsin Tuition Promise website. Please refer to the website to learn more about this new initiative taking effect Fall 2023. New information will be added to this webpage as it becomes available.
  - Wisconsin Tuition Promise: www.wisconsin.edu/tuition-promise/information-for-students

### **ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES:**

Boys Tennis starts Monday, March 27 - ALL boys will make the team and play matches. Please contact Coach Lisa Obertin, obertinl@wilmoths.k12.wi.us, if you have any questions.

- Parents who would like their student(s) to undergo an EKG Screening to help detect cardiac problems, especially parents who have kids in high impact sports, should follow the link below. To sign up go to the following site: <a href="https://www.heartsmartekg.org/">https://www.heartsmartekg.org/</a>
- Alternative locations for sports physicals other than the primary physician.
  - Kenosha Urgicare Appointments or Walk-ins welcome; \$40.00
  - CVS Pharmacy Minute Clinic Appointments recommended or Walk-ins welcome on a first come first serve basis
  - The KCHC is offering sports physical appointments at the KCHC Boys & Girls Club of Kenosha Clinic. Schedule your child's appointment online or call 262-656-0044. English/Spanish https://www.kenoshachc.org/services/sports-physicals/
  - Aurora Clinic-Walgreens locations that provide WIAA sports physicals.
    - \*Put in a **Zip Code** and then in the "**Location Type**" box, scroll all the way down to the bottom and select "Walgreens" and then "Search." This will give all the current Aurora-Walgreen locations where a physical can be done. https://www.aurorahealthcare.org/locations/
- Athletic Online Registration for the 2022-23 school year
- **Athletic Start Dates and Times**





- Online Athletic Registration Steps
- **Physical Form**

#### STUDENT ILLNESS:

- Parents, guardians, or caregivers should monitor their children for signs of infectious illness everyday. Students who are sick should not attend school in-person. Please contact attendance@wilmoths.k12.wi.us or call 262-862-2351 and press 1 to report your child's absence.
- Students who become ill during the school day are to see the school nurse prior to contacting parents. See the <u>2022-2023 Student Handbook</u> for further information.

# **COVID-19 Testing:**

- Onsite COVID-19 testing will be ending on April 30, 2023.
- COVID-19 home tests will continue to be available. Please contact the school nurse if you would like tests for your household.

Have a wonderful weekend, Panthers!

