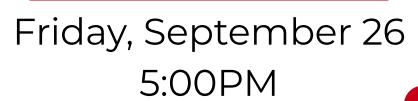


# Wilmot Union High School VUHS TODAY ISSUE 25 · AUGUST, 2025

Homecoming

The Wilmot Homecoming Parade will once again be on the streets of our beloved town for 2025!









# **HOMECOMING PARADE ROUTE**

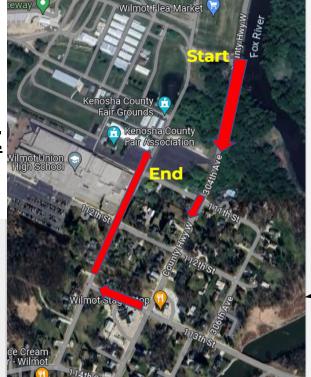


**BOARD OF EDUCATION** MEETINGS:

**WORKING BOARD MEETING:** AUGUST 11 - 4:30 PM

REGULAR BOARD MEETING: AUGUST 27 - 6:00 PM

**VIEW THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ON OUR WEBSITE.** 



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Dear Wilmot,

At the end of this month, we look forward to seeing our families at **Panther Fest and welcoming the class of 2029!** Please take note of the important dates below:

# **Panther Fest**

Wednesday, August 27, 5:30pm-8:00pm



Christy Weinstock
District Administrator

# Freshmen Only Day

Thursday, August 28, 7:35am-2:45pm

# **Community Referendum Construction Updates:**

We've added a new section to our website dedicated to keeping students, families, and the community informed about our ongoing facility work in partnership with Nexus. You can find the latest updates **here**.

We will continue to update both this newsletter and the website as we progress through each stage of the process.

# Below is the project timeline:

# 2. Design Schedule – Updated July 1, 2025



# Dear Wilmot Families,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying a relaxing and memorable summer! As we prepare to launch the 2025-26 school year, I want to warmly welcome all of our new and returning Panthers to what promises to be another outstanding year at Wilmot Union High School.



Rob Kreil Principal

We're kicking things off with plenty of excitement and tradition

Principal
this fall. Homecoming Week is just around the corner, and we're thrilled to share
the schedule of events with you. One of our favorite traditions, Girls Powder Puff,
will return this year, with the games scheduled for Thursday, September 25. We
hope to see families and students filling the stands in support of our players and
class teams!

The celebration continues with the Homecoming Parade and Football Game on Friday, September 26, followed by the Homecoming Dance on Saturday, September 27. These events bring our school and community together in a powerful way, and we encourage everyone to join us in showing their Panther pride.

In addition to these festivities, we remain committed to supporting student growth and readiness for the future. On Tuesday, September 16, all 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students will participate in the Pre-ACT assessment during the school day. This important tool helps students and families understand where they are on the path to college and career readiness. While underclassmen are testing, our 12th grade students will have the opportunity to visit either Gateway Technical College or the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, helping them explore post-secondary options in a meaningful way.

We are excited to welcome our students back and look forward to a fantastic year of learning, leadership, and community. Thank you for your continued support—together, we make Wilmot a place where every student can thrive.

With Panther Pride,

# **Rob Kreil**

Principal

Wilmot Union High School

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS: KEEPING THE MOMENTUM GOING

We're proud to report that **student attendance is on the rise!** We've made significant progress over the past two years, and we're not stopping there. Let's work together to continue this upward trend!

Dan Bender
AP of Student
Management

# 2025–2026 Attendance Goals

Chronic Absenteeism Rate: Under 13%

Average Daily Attendance Rate: At or above 93%

(Stretch goal: 95%).

	Chronic Absenteeism Rate	Attendance Rate
2024-25	14.7%	92.6%
2023-24	26.2%	90.5%
2022-23	32.9%	89.5%

# What is Chronic Absenteeism?

Missing 10% or more of the school year (18+ days), for any reason—excused or unexcused.

Chronic absenteeism impacts:

- Academic success
- Mental health
- Social development
- Life and job skills
- Involvement in clubs and sports

Please take a look and familiarize yourself with the attendance procedures and information before the school year begins. **Attendance Parent Communication** 



# CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE): HANDS-ON LEARNING FOR THE FUTURE

We're excited to continue growing our CTE programs this year! These courses help students gain real-world experience in high-demand career fields, including:

- Health Sciences
- Information Technology
- Business & Marketing
- Skilled Trades
- Engineering & Manufacturing



AP of Student
Management

# Youth Apprenticeships/Employment Credit

Youth Apprenticeships give students the opportunity to earn school credit while receiving paid, hands-on training in a chosen career field. These programs connect classroom learning with real-world experience—helping students build skills, explore careers, and make valuable professional connections before graduation.

# Want to learn more? Check out our

- Wilmot Union High School | Academic Career Planning Guide
- ACP Course Guide

Best regards,

Dan Bender Associate Principal





# **Dear Wilmot High School Community,**

We hope this message finds you well! We are thrilled to announce that the tradition of the Wilmot Homecoming Parade once again will be on the streets of our beloved town for 2025.

This exciting event wouldn't have been possible without the incredible partnership between our high school, Wilmot community and the Kenosha County Sheriff Department. Together, we have worked to ensure that this year's parade is a special celebration for all. For generations, the Homecoming Parade has been a symbol of unity, school spirit, and community pride, and we are proud to bring that tradition back stronger than ever.

We invite all community members to join us in this wonderful event! Whether you're marching, cheering from the sidewalks or reconnecting with fellow Panthers, your presence will help make this year's Homecoming Parade a success.

Date and Time: Friday, September 26 @ 5:00 pm

Parade Route: Homecoming Parade Route

Let's come together once again to make this year's Homecoming Parade a memorable one for everyone involved. We can't wait to see the streets of Wilmot lined with familiar faces and spirited cheers.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to celebrating Homecoming with you all.

# With excitement and Panther Pride,

Christy Weinstock Wilmot District Administrator

Rob Kreil Wilmot High School Principal

Keiya Square Wilmot Athletic Director

Deputy Chris Bischoff Wilmot School Resource Office

Ryan Gartner Wilmot Community Outreach Coordinator

# Mark Your Calendars for September 16

# ACT/PreACT Practice Day - Get Ready to Show What You Know!

# Seniors Hit the Road - College Visit

# Freshmen, Sophomores & Juniors - PreACT & ACT Practice Day

On Tuesday, September 16, students in grades 9–11 will take part in a valuable college readiness experience:

- 9th & 10th graders will take the PreACT, a shorter version of the ACT that gives early
  insight into strengths, areas for improvement, and possible career paths.
- 11th graders will take a full-length practice ACT under timed, test-like conditions—just like the real thing they'll take in spring.

These assessments help students:

- Practice test-taking strategies
- Understand what to expect on the real ACT
- Receive feedback on academic strengths and needs
- Explore career pathways through interest results

# Testing Schedule:

Testing runs from 7:45 AM to approximately 11:25 AM.

After testing, students will participate in a variety of fun and meaningful activities for the remainder of the day.

# What to Bring:

- Chromebook (fully charged)
- Calculator
- Pencils
- Book or guiet activity for after testing

# Seniors - College Visit Day

While underclassmen are testing, seniors will have the opportunity to explore life after high school. Students can:

- √ Visit a college of their choice independently
- ✓ Join a school-led trip to either UW-Whitewater or Gateway Technical College Kenosha Campus
- Seniors have received an email with a form to indicate their plans. This helps us organize transportation and make the day successful for everyone.



# ANNUAL NOTICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION REFERRAL AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES

Upon request, the Wilmot Union School District is required to evaluate a child for eligibility for special education services. A request for evaluation is known as a referral. When the district receives a referral, the district will appoint an Individualized Education Program (IEP) team to determine if the child has a disability, and if the child needs special education services. The district locates, identifies, and evaluates all children with disabilities who are enrolled by their parents in private (including religious) schools, elementary schools and secondary schools located in the school district.

A physician, nurse, psychologist, social worker, or administrator of a social agency who reasonably believes a child brought to him or her for services is a child with a disability has a legal duty to refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides. Before referring the child, the person making the referral must inform the child's parent that the referral will be made.

Others, including parents, who reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability may also refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides.

Referrals must be in writing and include the reason why the person believes the child is a child with a disability. A referral may be made by contacting Mallory Drew, Director of Pupil Services, Wilmot Union High School, at (262)862-2351 ext. 307, by emailing her at drewm@wilmoths.k12.wi.us, or by mail: Attention: Mallory Drew, Wilmot Union High School, 11112 308th Ave., Wilmot, WI 53192.



Wilmot Panther Backers Booster Club is partnering with the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells to offer an AMAZING deal for all Wilmot sports and activities clubs!

Monday November 24th –Wednesday November 26th

\$139/Night (2 nights)

**NO RESORT FEES!** 

4 Waterpark passes included!

If any Wilmot Sports/Activity Clubs & families are interested, text LeAnn @ 262-748-6092

To receive a link to book your reservation today!



Reserve your parking spot for next school year and make it your own!

# What You Need to Do by August 1:

Pay all student fees

Complete & submit the Annual Parking Permit Application to the High School Office.

Purchase a parking permit (\$100)

Pay \$10 painting fee

Designs must be submitted by August 22 at 3:00 PM.

# Painting Day Rules:

Use water-based latex exterior paint only (no spray or oil-based paint)

Bring your own supplies (brushes, rollers, bowls, tape, etc.)

Do not paint over white parking lines

• Designs must be school-appropriate (no offensive language, images, or political content)

**Helpful Tips:** 

Use blue painter's tape for clean lines, one gallon covers one spot, and share paint with friends.

> Questions or can't attend on August 25? Contact Mr. Bender.





# Mark Your Calendars

Starting: Bowling

Practices are Tuesday's at 6:00pm or Sunday's at 10:00am

Start Date: August 24th

Location: Old Settlers Bowling - 1500 15th Ave. Union Grove

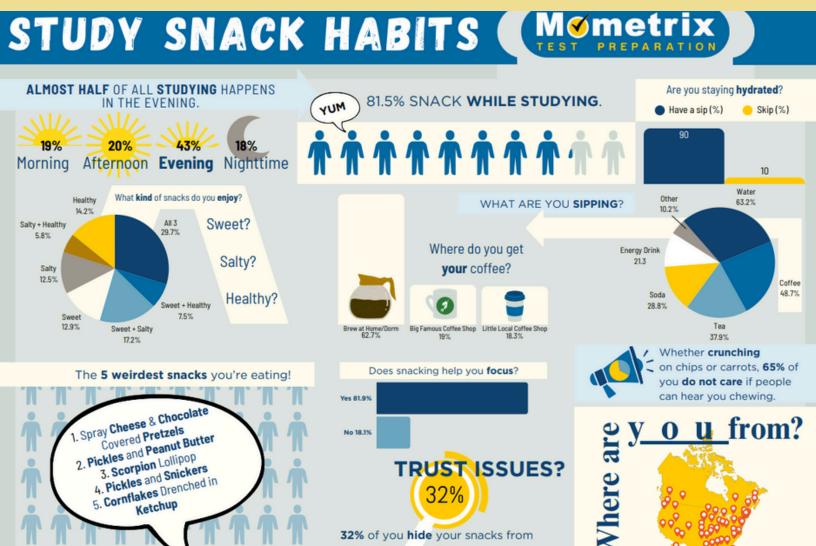
The regional tournament will be held in Kenosha, and those who qualify will advance to the state competition in Wausau.

Questions? Contact Coach Cindy at (262) 914-4241 or Marcia at (262) 206-1341

Your coaches are ready to get this season started!

Hope to see you there!

# What are the Most Popular Study Snacks? Click the Image to Find Out!



51% of those who don't snack while studying said snacks are distracting

others. Very sneaky!

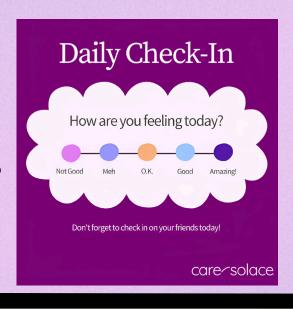
32% of you hide your snacks from

- Almost half of the study snackers spend \$10-\$19 every week on snacks
  - Lays® is the #1 chip brand
  - Chocolate is the #1 sweet snack
    - Fruit is the #1 healthy snack

Wilmot Union High School is committed to the health, safety, and well-being of our students, staff, and families.

We are proud to announce our partnership with Care Solace to support our ongoing commitment. If you or a family member are looking for help with mental health or substance use, Care Solace will quickly connect you to community providers matched to your needs.

Call 888-515-0595 at any time or search on your own at caresolace.com/wilmot.



# STAY IN THE KNOW WITH BRIGHTARROW!







We are using the BrightArrow system to keep you updated with urgent and important texts.

# Text YES to 79041 to opt-in TODAY.

Don't miss out-stay connected!



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# A MESSAGE FROM

# STUDENT SERVICES

NAMI Basics OnDemand is here to help. This free, online program – available 24/7 – is designed to empower parents and caregivers of young people (ages 22 and younger) with the tools, knowledge, and support needed to navigate the challenges of youth mental health.

After you register, you'll begin a course that provides:

- A flexible, self-paced program accessible anytime.
- Guidance from other parents and caregivers who understand this journey.
- Advice for how to talk with your child about their mental health.
- Valuable insights into mental health conditions and treatments.
- Compreh<mark>ensi</mark>ve, easy to understand resources grounded in science.
- Practical strategies for communication, crisis management, coping, and advocacy.

No matter where you are on your family's mental health journey, NAMI Basics
OnDemand may help you take the next steps.

Sign up for NAMI Basics OnDemand today to get started.

# **CONTACT US TODAY**

CLICK ON OUR PHOTO TO SEND AN EMAIL DIRECTLY



<u>JESSICA RUNTE</u> SCHOOL COUNSELOR A-F



KRISTEN PYE SCHOOL COUNSELOR G-MA



<u>KARL RICHTER</u> SCHOOL COUNSELOR MB-SO



MELISSA SWEATMAN SCHOOL COUNSELOR SP-Z

# **FEATURED RESOURCES**

Click on the WUHS logo below to visit our website!



Share a moment when a Wilmot staff member made a positive impact in your life by clicking on the photo below.





Don't miss out!
Click the logo and follow our page for daily updates!





# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

# BECOME A FITNESS CENTER MEMBER TODAY!







<u> Membership Pricing</u>	<u>Resident</u>	Non-Resident
Family Membership	\$180	\$280
Individual Membership	\$100	\$200
Individual 6 month Membership	\$60	\$120
Individual Quarterly Membership	\$35	\$70
College Student Membership	\$35	\$35
Wilmot UHS & Feeder School Retiree Membership	\$35	\$35
45 minute classes- 8 classes	\$45	\$45
60 minute classes- 8 classes	\$55	\$55
Drop in fee	\$8	\$8

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SEASON KICKOFF FOR ALL AGES JUNIOR PANTHERS - HIGH SCHOOL SATURDAY, AUGUST 2ND 11:00 - 3:00 PM

WILMOT HIGH SCHOOL - FRANK BUCCI FIELD FOOD TRUCKS - MUSIC - GAMES - RAFFLES - FUN

ENTRY FEE: \$5 3 AND UNDER: FREE





BUY YOUR SEASON PASSES OR INDIVIDUAL TICKETS ONLINE WITH





# **WILMOT UNION HIGH SCHOOL**

## **Board of Education - Calendar:**

https://www.wilmothighschool.com/BOE%20Calendar%202 024%202025.pdf

### **Newsletter Email & SMS List:**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/IFAIpQLSfP6W4NQCzyg4OdRT60MXWjPrSOXiCwcxyrt8CT2MNI4mgU0A/viewform

#### **Homecoming Parade Route:**

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pram-PlnNB4OOsPe6E6TbUZ645RsyD1u/edit?tab=t.0

# **Community Referendum Construction Updates:**

https://www.wilmothighschool.com/district/communityreferendum-.cfm

#### **Attendance Parent Communication:**

https://docs.google.com/document/d/lalkFQXabllFQlpvl62 W2lloRgJoKaw\_0qhPN6zWSyD4/edit?tab=t.0

#### **Parking Pass Application:**

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1h6iPbybsVCrRBLuSXL HkdBAo\_eoT-uZC/edit? fbclid=lwY2xjawL2AWpleHRuA2FlbQlxMABicmlkETFxaHFjTkpz U05uSUl4WTYzAR6uXBExJzXOPSElUejcKg8AwNEYV34HAeHm wqdaTtUF9GlWOg6QvTOrsYYa9w\_aem\_lr5CPE0Ed9wlER4jf4 2 zA&tab=t.0

#### **Panther Backer Booster Club:**

https://www.wilmothighschool.com/activities/panther-backer-booster-club.cfm

#### **NAMI Basics OnDemand:**

https://basics.nami.org/

#### **CareSolace:**

https://caresolace.com/site/wilmot

# **Staff Appreciation:**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf45d 5rVaDgSnHOp4Py\_tFfTWXhbpNk2yOtJO2nteK46TKQ dw/viewform

#### Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/wilmotuhs

## **Instagram:**

https://www.instagram.com/wilmotuhs/

## X (Twitter):

https://twitter.com/wilmotuhs

# Fitness Center Membership:

https://www.wilmothighschool.com/about/fitness\_c enter.cfm

### Fitness Center Classes:

https://wilmothighschool.cr3.rschooltoday.com/public/getclass/category\_id/-1/program\_id/6

# Community Outreach - Class Registration:

https://wilmothighschool.cr3.rschooltoday.com/public/home/

#### GoFan:

https://gofan.co/app/school/WI19522

# **ADDITIONAL LINKS:**

#### **Athletics Calendar:**

https://southernlakesconference.org/public/genie/86/school/1/

#### **School Calendar:**

https://www.wilmothighschool.com/about/calendars.cfm

# Parent Panther Newsletter:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/IYMyIADrct \_mUcBFbaNahyJcM5Zjpf7T9ssXNU6OaKOk/edit

# **WUHS Newsletter:**

https://www.wilmothighschool.com/wilmotupdates.cfm











