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BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS:

WORKING BOARD MEETING: DECEMBER 8 - 4:30 PM

REGULAR BOARD MEETING: DECEMBER 17 - 6:00 PM

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Dear Wilmot Community,

As we approach the winter holiday break, I want to take a moment on behalf of the Board of Education and the entire staff to extend our warmest wishes to all of our students, families, and community members. Moving into the New District A Year, it is amazing to reflect on all of the achievements our Panthers have accomplished so far.



Christy Weinstock
District Administrator

Here are just a few highlights of what we've accomplished:

- We had a wonderful Fall Play production of 67
 Cinderellas which had over 800 visitors attend.
- 100% of our Certified Nursing Assistant Students passed their clinicals.
- Between our September 5th Football Game attendees and our Girls Volleyball team we brought over 600 pounds of food donations for the Sharing Center.
- Two of our Cross Country runners ran the 3rd and 6th fastest times in Wilmot history.
- Our Building Construction 2 class built garage walls for Habitat for Humanity homes in Kenosha.
- The Wilmot Shooting Team had several top 5 finishes in the Fall Regional.
- We had a Boys Volleyball player receive an Honorable Mention at All State.

- Around 100 students have been recognized with Wilmot Way to Go's.
- We are continuing to create better academic supports for all students as evidenced by the increase of our Achievement measures in English Language Arts and Math on the 2024-2025 state report card.



Christy Weinstock
District Administrator

We again thank our staff, families, and community for their dedication and partnership.

Have a wonderful holiday season!

Construction Updates:

Please continue to visit our website for construction updates, pictures, and timelines. Our **95% Design meeting with Nexus is December 16**. This means that the **design and planning process is close to complete!**

Community Referendum page

Wilmot Academic Resource Period (WARP): Supporting Student Success

Access the 2025-26 WARP Schedule Here!

At Wilmot Union High School, we are committed to providing every student with the tools, time,



Rob Kreil Principal

and support needed to thrive academically. One of the most valuable resources available to students is the Wilmot Academic Resource Period (WARP)—a dedicated intervention and enrichment block designed to help students stay on track, deepen their learning, and build confidence in their coursework.

What Is WARP?

WARP is a structured academic support period where students and teachers can request one another to meet for extra help. Whether a student is struggling with a concept, preparing for a formative or summative assessment, or simply wanting to strengthen their understanding, WARP offers targeted time to get the assistance they need.

Teachers May Also Use WARP To:

- Provide reteaching and remediation
- Offer enrichment opportunities
- Support students who need extra time or clarification
- Facilitate project work, test review, or skill-building activities

How Students Can Make the Most of WARP:

To ensure each student receives the support they need, teachers will publish a weekly WARP schedule every Friday for both students and parents to review. This allows families to plan ahead and prioritize time wisely.



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Here's How Students Can Utilize WARP Effectively:

✓ Plan Ahead

Review the WARP schedule each Friday. Identify classes where you may need additional help or where a summative assessment is coming up.

✓ Be Proactive

If you're struggling with coursework, don't wait—request your teacher through WARP before the week begins. This shows initiative and ensures you get the support you need.

✓ Check SmartPass

All students must select their WARP location in SmartPass by Monday during Homeroom. Making your selection on time guarantees you are where you need to be for support or enrichment.

✓ Use the Time Wisely

Arrive prepared—with notes, questions, or assignments. The more focused you are, the more helpful your time in WARP will be.

√ Take Advantage of Enrichment

WARP isn't just for students who need extra help. Teachers also offer enrichment activities for students ready to extend their learning or explore topics in more depth.



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Why WARP Matters:

Academic success is built on consistent effort and timely support.

WARP Ensures Students Have:

- Time to ask questions they didn't get to in class
- A chance to review material before assessments
- Opportunities to catch up on missing or incomplete work
- Access to individualized help from teachers
- Space to build skills that support long-term academic growth

When used effectively, WARP empowers students to take ownership of their learning and stay on track throughout the school year.

Together, we can ensure every student reaches their full potential.

Exciting Opportunity with Gateway Technical College!

We're thrilled to announce that Gateway has officially admitted this year's entire graduating class into the Fall 2026 Semester!

We chose to partner with Gateway for many reasons, including the college's solid reputation, 70+ degree programs state-of-the-art facilities, affordable tuition, scholarship opportunities, welcoming community and more.

They are truly helping students bring their career dreams to life – and saving them valuable time and money too!

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR AN OFFICIAL ACCEPTANCE LETTER COMING IN THE MAIL.

If you have any questions in the meantime, reach out to Gateway New Student Specialist, Debby Joling, at 262-214-5654 or jolingdegtc.edu.



Hello Panther Families and Community,

Thank you for your ongoing support of learning at Wilmot. Below are quick updates, celebrations, and resources from the realm of Curriculum and Instruction.

KEY DATES:

 If you were not able to attend P/T Conferences in October, it is never too late to connect with teachers.
 Please reach out directly if you have questions about your student's progress.



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- First Semester ends on **January 27**, **2026**. December is a great time for students to check in with teachers about reassessments, missing work, and next steps before we reach the end of the term.
- District Winter Break is coming later this month, December 22nd January 2nd. Make sure your students are putting themselves in the best position possible to be successful in the new year. We will have 3 weeks left of the semester when they return in January.

GRADES AND FEEDBACK:

- Fall 2025 PreACT scores are now available in Skyward, located in "Student Attachments," and in Otus in the "Reports tab". If you have any questions on how to access them or read the results, please reach out to Don Norwick.
- As we approach the end of the semester, remember that Otus is used to give a fuller picture of your students' learning. Otus shows performance on Essential Standards and recent evidence, while <u>Skyward will only show</u> the final course grades and credits earned (for transcript purposes).
- **Encourage your student to talk** with teachers about specific feedback in Otus rubrics and to use that information when they prepare for end-of-unit tasks and semester assessments.

Otus Support Videos

- o Video 1: How to create an Otus Account
- o Video 2: How to navigate the Otus Platform as a Parent
- Video 3: Formatives and Summatives at Wilmot
- Video 4: How to read the Otus Gradebook

• First Semester ends 1/27/26

o 6 "school" weeks left! (doesn't include breaks)

STANDARDS-BASED LEARNING SNAPSHOT:

What Will You See In Your Student's Classes?

- "I CAN" statements and learning targets for each unit, so students know the purpose of every lesson
- Gradebooks are organized around Essential Standards rather than a long list of points or tasks
- <u>Practice</u> work (formatives) such as warm-ups, exit tickets, and homework that give feedback and do not carry heavy weight in the grade.



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- Bigger checkpoint tasks that feel more like a <u>scrimmage</u>, where students put several skills together and get clear feedback before the final assessment.
- Summative assessments that ask students to show what they know on their own after teaching, practice, and support

How Practice, Scrimmage, and Game work:

Practice is like formatives

■ These are the daily reps. Students try new skills, make mistakes, and get coaching from the teacher. The main goal is learning, not the score.

Scrimmage is like a larger formative

■ This is a more complete task that looks and feels closer to the real game or assessment. The teacher checks how students are doing, gives detailed feedback, and may reteach parts of the material. Students still have chances to adjust before the score really counts.

The Game is like the summative

■ This is the moment when students show what they can do on their own. In a standards-based system, this evidence carries the most weight because it shows the student's current level of understanding after they have had time to learn and practice.

• Why This Helps Students and Families:

- Students understand that early mistakes are part of learning, not a permanent hit to their grade
- Teachers can use practice and scrimmage work to decide who needs more support or a different approach before the summative
- Families can see which standards are secure and which still need attention, instead of guessing from a single test score
- Final grades tell a clearer story of what a student knows and can do at the end of the learning, not just how they did on the first try

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CORNER

- AP exam ordering for first-semester AP classes has now been finalized. If you would still like to order an exam and missed the original window, the order can still be placed, but the College Board will include a \$40 late fee.
- Families should reach out directly to their student's AP teachers with any questions about course expectations, exam ordering, or study resources.



Don Norwick

AP of C&I

SPOTLIGHT ON A CLASSROOM

Psychology with Ms White

Students in Psychology explored personality through a Myers-Briggs style inventory that blended clear, direct instruction with meaningful self-reflection. After reviewing key terms and definitions together, Ms White gave straightforward directions, and students quickly moved into taking the inventory on their Chromebooks and recording results in their notes, with everyone on task and engaged. Once students received their results, Ms White led a short debrief where they connected their profiles to course concepts and considered what the letters might suggest about how they learn and work with others. Students then compared patterns as a whole class, noticing trends, debating how accurate the results felt, and asking thoughtful questions. This extended conversation deepened their understanding of the personality inventory and made the activity feel authentic, relevant, and strongly connected to the real world.

QUICK TECH TIP FOR FAMILIES

Using Artificial Intelligence as a Study Buddy

Try using school-appropriate artificial intelligence tools at home as a study buddy, not as a shortcut. Sit with your student and type in a topic they are reviewing, then ask the tool to create a short quiz or practice problems, and have your student answer without looking at the suggestions. Encourage them to compare their work with the sample answers and talk through what they got right or need to review. Remind your student that they should not copy and paste full assignments into a chat or turn in computer-generated writing as their own. The goal is to use artificial intelligence to deepen understanding, ask better questions, and build confidence before they come back to class.



All are invited to join us for the annual Band and Choir Winter Concerts as we celebrate the holiday season with outstanding performances from our talented students!

Band Concert: Wednesday, December 3

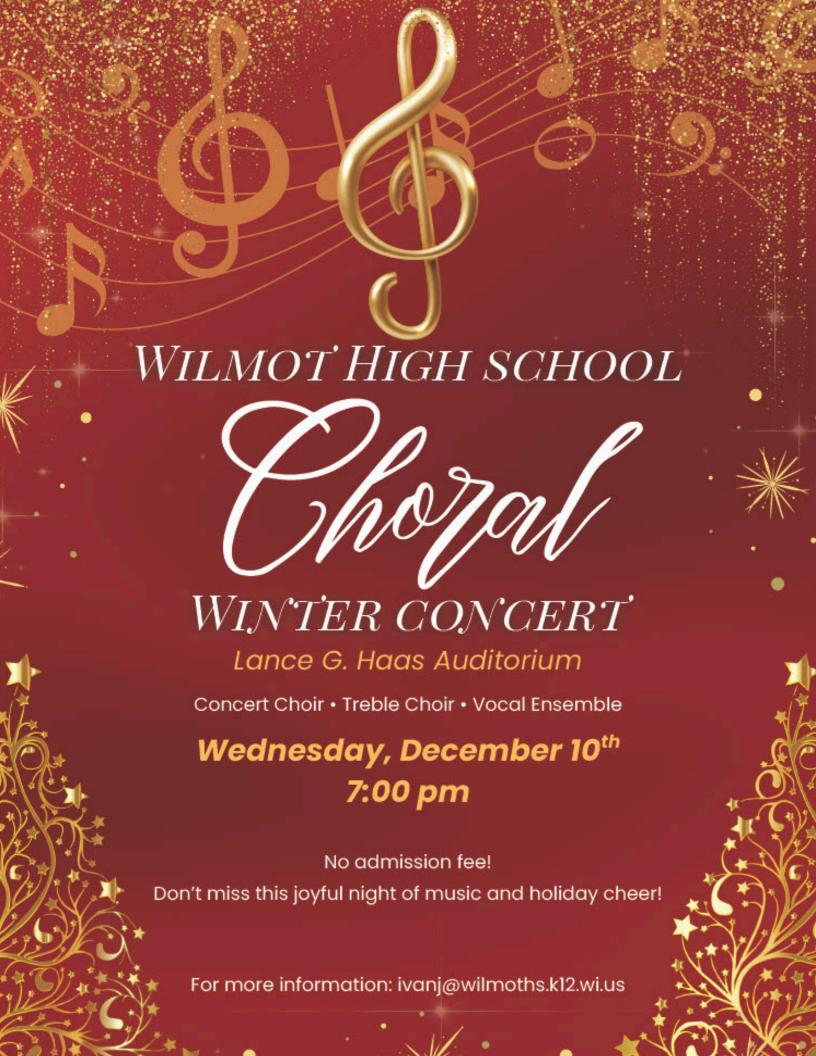
Choir Concert: Wednesday, December 10

• **Time**: 7:00 PM

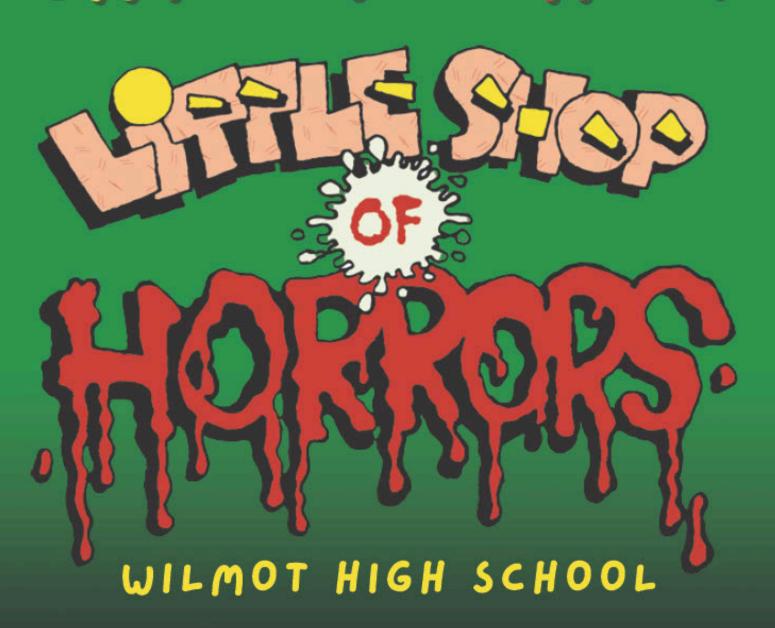
Location: Lance Haas Auditorium for the Performing Arts

BOTH EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

We hope to see you there as we ring in the season with beautiful music!



SAVE THE DATE!



THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY MARCH 12TH
MARCH 13TH
MARCH 14TH
MARCH 15TH

Interior Design is BACK!

From candy color wheels to salt dough sculptures and dream bedrooms, our students have been busy bringing design concepts to life!

Our Students Are:

- Mixing color to create bold secondary & tertiary hues
- Applying their knowledge of tint, tone, and shade to their salt dough creations
- Using digital tools to design their own dream bedrooms!

We're exploring color, shape, form, and design in the most creative ways—and having a blast doing it!













VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! BE A DECA JUDGE!

No experience? No problem! Students present a role-play scenario, and you provide feedback to support their growth as future leaders.

Why help?

- Support local students in business
 & marketing
- Fun, rewarding, and inspiring day!
- More judges = smoother day for students and volunteers

Date: Saturday, December 13th

Location: Racine Case High School

Time: 8 am - 1 pm

Sign up today and help make this event a success!

tinyurl.com/D6DECAjudge

Every judge counts—we always need more volunteers!





Wilmot HOSA-Future Health Professionals members attended the Wisconsin HOSA Fall Leadership Conference at Marquette University in November where they learned about competitive events (presented by Mrs. Joch), a variety of health careers, how a healthcare team operates through a patient case scenario, and how to develop their HOSA leadership skills.



RLG JUDGES 3- REEDED

WI HOSA's Regional Leadership Conference is quickly approaching and we need your help!

Judging takes place virtually on **January 10th 2026**. Students will present their hard work on projects, presentations and ThingLinks. Judges will evaluate students based on rubrics provided.

To sign up or view the events available visit www.bit.ly/46V8r7p

For more information or questions reach out to WI HOSA's Event Personnel Coordinator, Lauren Wagner, at contactus@wihosa.org





PRICELESS PANCAKES

Come for the Pancakes, eat cause they're free!



In the Commons across from the PAW

First Friday of Every Month

Begins Nov 7th!







Calling all travelers! Wilmot and Central High Schools are teaming up to take on Japan in the summer of 2028! From Kansai to Tokyo - tea, sushi, Mount Fuji and karaoke await! We'd love to have you on this incredible adventure!

This trip is open to ALL of our families! That means parents, students and relatives!



INFORMATIONAL MEETING DECEMBER 10! \$4,929, \$170/MONTH - ALL INCLUSIVE!

For more information, contact us or scan the QR Code!

Alyssa Ryan-White | Tyler Kochan

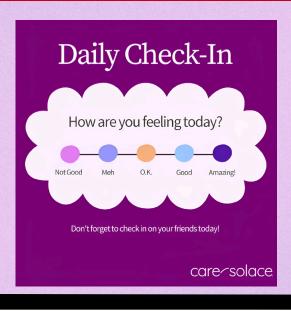
whitealewilmoths.k12.wi.us | kochantewilmoths.k12.wi.us

https://www.eftours.com/tour-website/2762027(

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.



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Family Support Community

A monthly learning opportunity designed for families and other caregivers supporting a child(ren) with a disability. Our supportive community meetings provide valuable learning opportunities and mutual support.



The Family Support Community will meet September 2025-May 2026
All sessions will be held on Zoom; Sessions are NOT recorded

2nd Wednesday of the month: 7:00-8:00 p.m. 9/10, 10/8, 11/12, 12/10, 1/14, 2/11, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13

2nd Thursday of the month: 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. 9/11, 10/9, 11/13, 12/11, 1/8, 2/12, 3/12, 4/9, 5/14

The Family Support Community allows participants to engage in positive problem solving with others in a solutions-based format.

Meetings will allow for **networking**, **learning**, **and peer support**.

Participants in this Community will:

- Grow networks through connection-building
- Build advocacy skills through shared learning
- Reflect on beliefs and practices around family engagement
- Boost confidence in working with schools and community partners

- •There is no registration fee
- By registering for this community, it is implied that you will attend sessions on a regular basis.
- Zoom link will be sent one week prior to the scheduled meetings and in monthly email reminders.

Click HERE to register



Register Here

Contact us at: wspei@cesa12.org with any questions.

Find more events at:
WSPEI Learning Opportunities
wspei.org





A MESSAGE FROM

STUDENT SERVICES

Class of 2026

Now that many of you have decided where you are going to continue your education after Wilmot Union High School please look at the <u>scholarship</u> <u>bulletin</u> for great local scholarships. Also included are other resources such as UW school scholarship websites as well as private school scholarship information.

<u>Upcoming Field Trips: Scot Forge & Allied Plastics</u>



Allied Plastics: December 3rd

Scot Forge: December 18th



Permission slips are available with Ms. Montgomery in Student Services.

Open to Juniors and Seniors Only.

Questions? See Mr. Richter.

Counselors can be reached by clicking on their photo:

CONTACT US TODAY

CLICK ON OUR PHOTO TO SEND AN EMAIL DIRECTLY



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



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SCHOOL COUNSELOR
G-MA



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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.





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for daily updates!





COMMUNITY OUTREACH

BECOME A FITNESS
CENTER MEMBER
TODAY!







<u> Membership Pricing</u>	Resident / Senior Citizen (55+)	<u>Non-Resident</u>
Family Annual Membership (2+)	\$180	\$250
Individual Annual Membership	\$100	\$180
Individual 6 Month Membership	\$50	\$100
Individual Monthly Membership	\$10	\$15
College Student Annual Membership	\$35	\$35
Wilmot UHS & Feeder School Retiree Membership	\$35	\$35
1-Day Pass	\$5	\$5
WUHS Student, Employee & Spouse, Feeder-School Employee, First Responder	FREE	FREE

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POWERLIFTING

CLUB



Powerlifting Club at Wilmot is officially up and running, with **practices beginning this week and continuing through March, 2026**.

Lifters will have chances to compete at regional meets about once a month, starting with a local competition on December 14 at Elkhorn. These meets can lead to qualifying for the **state competition and even nationals**.

Powerlifting is a very positive, empowering sport for both males and females and welcomes all types of students, even those who choose not to compete.

No experience is necessary to get started!

If you are still interested in joining, please contact <u>Coach Norwick</u>.



BUY YOUR SEASON PASSES OR INDIVIDUAL TICKETS ONLINE WITH





WILMOT UNION HIGH SCHOOL

Board of Education - Calendar:

Newsletter Email & SMS List:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfP6W4NQCzyg4OdR T60MXWjPrSOXiCwcxyrt8CT2MNl4mgU0A/viewform

Lunch Menu:

http://www.wilmothighschool.com/Wilmot%20December%202 025.pdf

Community Referendum Construction Updates:

https://www.wilmothighschool.com/district/community-referendum-.cfm

WARP Schedule:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XZuNhbt5lii4RjkwPs9OEKO 6w11l9cHx_wnEMJ4Ejas/edit?tab=t.0

OTUS:

- Video 1: How to create an Otus Account
 - Video 2: How to navigate the Otus Platform as a Parent
 - Video 3: Formatives and Summatives at Wilmot
 - Video 4: How to read the Otus Gradebook

WSPEI Workshop:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfCrpfTXu34q8-7s8RN8NVBUbqX4y8tOG-Jl8x-A52H8DO0EQ/viewform

Scholarship Bulletin:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1dmwk07flDPonw_AMG XxS27J88qb_ZsDveEhnv7huayk/edit? gid=724439301#gid=724439301

Sports Physical:

https://www.wiaawi.org/Portals/0/PDF/Forms/PPE-form.pdf

Athletic Registration:

https://students.arbitersports.com/programs/athletic-registration-2025-2026-17

CareSolace:

https://caresolace.com/site/wilmot

Staff Appreciation:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf45d5rVaDgSnHOp4 Py_tFfTWXhbpNk2yOtJO2nteK46TKQdw/viewform

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/wilmotuhs

<u>Instagram:</u>

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

X (Twitter):

https://twitter.com/wilmotuhs

Fitness Center Membership:

https://www.wilmothighschool.com/district/fitness-center.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/

Caleb Durbin's Youth Baseball Camp:

https://wilmothighschool.cr3.rschooltoday.com/public/getclass/category_id/-1/program_id/8

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











