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SUMMER UPDATES
Important Information for Families & Community

CONSTRUCTION ACCESS UPDATE

As we begin our summer construction and facility improvement projects, we want to share some important building access and office information.

Summer Construction

As we begin our summer construction and facility improvement projects, we want to make our families and community aware of several important updates regarding building access and office availability.

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EXCITING NEWS!

NEW WEBSITE
Coming in June!

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS:

Working Board Meeting
There is no working session

Regular Board Meeting
June 8 - 6:00 PM

[View the Board of Education Calendar on our website.](#)

EXCITING NEWS!



NEW WEBSITE

Coming in June!

WILMOT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS LAUNCHING A NEW WEBSITE!

We are proud to partner with Apptegy to bring you a modern, user-friendly website designed to better serve our students, families, and community.



**STREAMLINING OUR
COMMUNICATION EFFORTS**

A BETTER EXPERIENCE FOR EVERYONE



MODERN DESIGN

A fresh, mobile-friendly website that's easy to navigate on any device.



IMPROVED COMMUNICATION

Find important information quickly and stay connected with what matters most.



EASY ACCESS

Events, news, staff directories, and resources—all in one convenient place.



REAL-TIME UPDATES

Timely announcements and alerts to keep you in the know.



STAY TUNED!

Families, please be on the lookout for an email with more information and exciting details to come!

THANK YOU FOR BEING A PART OF OUR PANTHER COMMUNITY!

*Same Panther Pride.
New Look. Better Experience.*

We can't wait for you to explore our new website this June!



VISIT US ONLINE THIS JUNE!

<https://www.wilmothighschool.com/>

Preparing College, Career, and Civic Ready Graduates



Congratulations

TO OUR

**CLASS OF
2026**



Congratulations to our amazing seniors! Your hard work, dedication, and Panther pride have brought you to this incredible milestone.

We are so proud of you and can't wait to see all the great things you will accomplish!

★ *Graduation will be held on* ★
FRIDAY, JUNE 5TH





CHRISTY WEINSTOCK
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

A MESSAGE FROM

Christy Weinstock



Dear Panther Community,

As we close out the 2025-2026 school year, we want to wish the class of 2026 the very best in all that they pursue beyond high school. You will always be part of the Panther Family and we are proud of your accomplishments!

We have so many exciting things to return to when school starts in September. We will have updated lab spaces for our Tech Ed classes and our Foods, Baking, and Culinary classes. We will have updated baseball and softball fields. Our front entrance to the main office will undergo upgrades for better security of visitors to our building. Finally, we will have several technological, and audio/visual upgrades to Bucci Field, the Commons, the auditorium, and the Library Media Center. We will continue to share pictures of the progress over the summer, so make sure to check back to our website and our social media pages for these exciting updates!

We want to make sure to draw your attention to the changes that will be made for entering the building. The South Parking lot and our current main entrance will remain closed for the majority of the summer. Please see the updates [here](#) for accessing our main entrance and for information on booking an appointment if you have any needs from our main office.

Thank you Panthers, and have a wonderful summer!

IMPORTANT UPDATES FOR BUILDING ACCESS



PARKING LOT & ENTRANCE CLOSED

The South Parking lot and our current main entrance will remain closed for the majority of the summer due to construction and upgrades.



ACCESSING OUR MAIN ENTRANCE

Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information on how to access our main entrance and how to book an appointment if you have any needs from our main office.



Visit our website and follow us on social media for the latest updates and photos of our progress!



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SUMMER UPDATES

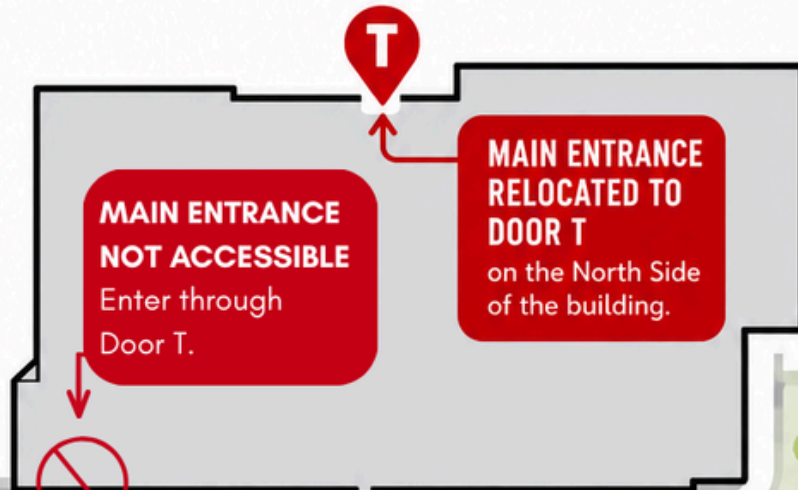


Important Information for Families & Community

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NORTH SIDE



MAIN ENTRANCE NOT ACCESSIBLE
Enter through Door T.

MAIN ENTRANCE RELOCATED TO DOOR T
on the North Side of the building.

SOUTH LOT CLOSED
No entrance access or parking beginning June 9 through approximately mid-August.

SOUTH SIDE



MAIN OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Hours may vary throughout the summer as construction progresses.

If you need assistance from the main office, please call ahead to schedule an appointment.



(262) 862-2351



Email Lisa Obertin:
obertinl@wilmoths.k12.wi.us



FRIDAY BUILDING CLOSURES

The building will be completely closed on Fridays from **June 12 – August 12.**

Office staff and administrators will not be available in the building on Fridays.



PLAN AHEAD

We encourage families and community members to plan ahead or communicate with staff via email when possible.

Thank you!

We appreciate your patience, flexibility, and support as we continue making improvements to our facilities!



THANK YOU FOR BEING A PART OF OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

Have a safe and wonderful summer!





ROB KREIL
Principal
Wilmot Union High School

A MESSAGE FROM **ROB KREIL**



**WILMOT UNION
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BELL TO BELL, NO CELL

As we look forward to the 26-27 school, Wilmot is actively preparing for the implementation of the new state Cell Phone Law, which mandates the restriction of personal electronic devices during instructional time. To ensure our Panther community is fully prepared for this transition, we recently conducted a school-wide trial day of our new "Bell to Bell, No Cell" policy.

First and foremost, I want to extend a massive thank you to all of our incredible students and dedicated staff members for your active participation, flexibility, and honest feedback during this trial day. Shifting daily habits is no small feat, and your cooperation gave us the exact data and insights we need to build a seamless, supportive, and highly successful learning environment for next year.



1. CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES TRIED

During the trial day, our faculty implemented a few different classroom management strategies to evaluate what worked best in real-time:



THE CLASSROOM POUCH SYSTEM:

This emerged as the most widely used and praised method. Teachers noted that assigning specific numbers to individual pouches made policy enforcement and student attendance tracking incredibly streamlined and efficient.



THE "OUT OF SIGHT" / BACKPACK METHOD:

Some classrooms permitted students to keep devices inside their bags. However, staff reported that this approach frequently fell short, as students routinely slipped phones out later in the period.



THE HYBRID APPROACH:

A few teachers chose to utilize a multi-tier system, allowing backpacks initially but moving a student's phone to the pouch immediately as a consequence if a device was spotted.

2. STUDENT FOCUS FEEDBACK

The feedback regarding student focus during the trial was overwhelmingly positive or stable:



17 TEACHERS BETTER / MUCH BETTER

than usual: reported a noticeable, positive lift in student engagement and focus.



12 TEACHERS ABOUT THE SAME

reported no change. Notably, several of these classrooms already rigidly utilize pouches or operate in computer/science labs where phones are rarely an issue.

3. IMPACTS OBSERVED DURING THE TRIAL DAY



INCREASED SOCIALIZATION & COLLABORATION:

Teachers highlighted a refreshing return to classic classroom environments, noting a sharp increase in face-to-face peer conversations, direct eye contact, and active collaboration.



SUSTAINED FOCUS & PRODUCTIVITY:

Students who normally drift off due to incoming notifications remained consistently on-task, completed substantially more classwork, and asked deeper questions.



REDUCED STAFF FATIGUE:

Teachers expressed immense relief at not having to spend their valuable instructional energy repeatedly nagging students to hide devices or take out earbuds.



RELIEF FROM DIGITAL ADDICTION:

Remarkably, several students expressed a sense of relief to staff, admitting they hadn't realized how mindlessly they checked their notifications and noting the experience "wasn't nearly as bad as they anticipated."

4. PREPARING FOR SUCCESS IN 26-27

To ensure a smooth transition to next year's official policy, our administration is designing a clear, structured roadmap based directly on staff feedback:



NON-NEGOTIABLE CONSISTENCY:

We will institute a uniform, building-wide procedure from Day 1. Every single educator will enforce the exact same standard, eliminating loopholes.



UNIVERSAL CONSEQUENCES:

We are removing the burden of confrontation from our teachers. A defined, admin-backed protocol will dictate direct consequences for any student who refuses to comply.



CLEAR POLICY ADJUSTMENTS:

Policy guidelines will explicitly cover earbuds, "trap phones," and standardized, dignified systems for verified medical and IEP accommodations.

Change can be challenging, but the data from our trial demonstrates that a phone-free environment fosters better focus, stronger social connections, and a calmer school day. Thank you again to our remarkable staff and students for paving the way toward a successful, focused upcoming school year!

Sincerely,

Robert Kreil

Robert Kreil
Principal
Wilmot Union High School



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HIGH SCHOOL**



ROB KREIL

Principal
Wilmot Union High School

A MESSAGE FROM **ROB KREIL**



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**NEW SCHOOL
START TIME:
7:25 AM**

Dear Parents and Students,

As we prepare for the upcoming **2026-2027** school year, we are writing to share an important update regarding our daily bell schedule.

To better support our instructional goals, we have transitioned from an 8-period day to a 7-period day. This adjustment allows for longer class periods, providing our students and staff with more dedicated time for deep teaching and learning.

Please take note of our new start time of **7:25 AM**. Updated bussing information will be shared with families in August.

It is important to emphasize that this change will **not** impact course offerings or student schedule requests. Students can continue to expect the same high-quality academic opportunities that have always been available at Wilmot Union High School.

Below is the new bell schedule for your reference:

PERIOD	START TIME	END TIME
PERIOD 1	7:25 AM	8:16 AM
PERIOD 2	8:21 AM	9:10 AM
HOMEROOM/WARP	9:15 AM	9:45 AM
PERIOD 3	9:50AM	10:39 AM
A LUNCH	10:39 AM	11:09 AM
PERIOD 4A	11:14 AM	12:03 PM
PERIOD 4B	10:44 AM	11:33 AM
B LUNCH	11:33 AM	12:03 PM
PERIOD 5	12:08 PM	12:57 PM
PERIOD 6	1:02 PM	1:51 PM
PERIOD 7	1:56 PM	2:45 PM



WHY THE CHANGE?

- ✓ Longer instructional periods
- ✓ More opportunities for deeper learning
- ✓ Increased classroom engagement
- ✓ Continued access to all current course offerings

We are excited about the benefits this new schedule will bring to our classroom environment. Thank you for your continued support as we work to provide the best possible educational experience for our students.

Sincerely,

Robert Kreil

Robert Kreil
Principal
Wilmot Union High School



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A MESSAGE FROM STUDENT SERVICES



WILMOT UNION
HIGH SCHOOL



SUPPORTING STUDENTS. BUILDING FUTURES. **TOGETHER.**



26-27 CLASS SCHEDULES:

Just a reminder, today, **June 1st**, is the last day to make changes to your courses for next school year.

Counselors are in the process of finalizing schedules. You will be able to access your final schedule after parents complete online registration in July.



YOUR WUHS GUIDANCE COUNSELORS



JESSICA RUNTE

A-F



KRISTEN PYE

G-MA



KARL RICHTER

MB-SO



MELISSA SWEATMAN

SP-Z



Questions? Need Support? **WE'RE HERE TO HELP!**

Reach out to your counselor any time – we're here to support you every step of the way.





ARE YOU INTERESTED IN **EARNING** ELECTIVE CREDIT *FOR WORKING?*



GAIN REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE.



BUILD YOUR FUTURE.



EARN ELECTIVE CREDIT.



ELECTIVE CREDIT OPTIONS:

Employment Credit
Youth Apprenticeship

Earn high school elective credit while gaining valuable work experience in a career area that interests you!



See **Mr. Kehoe** or **Mr. Richter** with any questions about how you can earn credit for working (Employment Credit/ Youth Apprenticeship).



Mr. Kehoe
kehoej@wilmoths.k12.wi.us



Mr. Richter
richter@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Happy Retirement!

COLE MARSHALL

**TECHNOLOGY &
ENGINEERING TEACHER**

Thank you for your
invaluable contributions
for the past 14 years.

We wish you joy,
relaxation, and
new adventures in this
exciting new chapter
of your life.



THANK YOU FOR MAKING A LASTING IMPACT
ON OUR STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY.

Happy Retirement!



TERRY BRUTON

**SOCIAL SCIENCES
TEACHER**

Thank you for your
invaluable contributions
for the past **32** years.

We wish you joy,
relaxation, and
new adventures in this
exciting new chapter
of your life.



THANK YOU FOR MAKING A LASTING IMPACT
ON OUR STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY.

Happy Retirement!



SUSAN FENNELL

**SCHOOL
PSYCHOLOGIST**

Thank you for your
invaluable contributions
for the past **24** years.



We wish you joy,
relaxation, and
new adventures in this
exciting new chapter
of your life.



THANK YOU FOR MAKING A LASTING IMPACT
ON OUR STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY.

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.

Daily Check-In

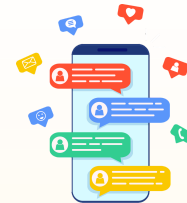
How are you feeling today?

Not Good Meh O.K. Good Amazing!

Don't forget to check in on your friends today!

care-solace

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

Text YES to 79041 to opt-in TODAY.

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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!**



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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

**BECOME A FITNESS
CENTER MEMBER
TODAY!**



SCAN ME



<u>Membership Pricing</u>	<u>Resident / Senior Citizen (55+)</u>	<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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ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES



START DATES



WUHS ATHLETICS

www.wilmothighschool.com/athleticsactivities/activities.cfm

Fall Sports Start Dates:

Football – Tuesday, August 4, 2026

Girls Golf – Monday, August 10, 2026

Girls Tennis – Tuesday, August 11, 2026

Cross Country (Boys & Girls) – Monday, August 17, 2026

Girls Volleyball – Monday, August 17, 2026

Boys Volleyball – Monday, August 17, 2026

Girls Swimming & Diving (Co-Op with Lake Geneva Badger High School) – Tuesday, August 11, 2026

Boys Soccer (Co-Op with Catholic Central H.S.) – Monday, August 17, 2026

Sideline Cheer – Tuesday, August 4, 2026

Winter Sports Start Dates:

Boys Basketball – Monday, November 16, 2026

Girls Basketball – Monday, November 9, 2026

Wrestling (Boys & Girls) – Monday, November 16, 2026

Boys Swimming & Diving (Co-Op with Lake Geneva Badger High School) – Monday, November 16, 2026

Gymnastics – Monday, November 9, 2026

Ice Hockey (Co-Op with Kenosha Thunder) – Monday, November 9, 2026

Competition Cheer – TBD

Spring Sports Start Dates:

Track & Field (Boys & Girls) – Monday, March 8, 2027

Softball – Monday, March 15, 2027

Girls Soccer – Monday, March 22, 2027

Baseball – Monday, March 22, 2027

Boys Tennis – Monday, March 29, 2027

Boys Golf – Monday, March 29, 2027



ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES CONTACTS



Fall Sports Contacts:

Football – Brian Hopkins; hopkinsb@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Girls Golf – Jerry Christiansen; christiansenj@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Girls Tennis – Lisa Obertin; obertinl@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Cross Country (Boys & Girls) – Tara Smith; smithta@wilmoths.k12.us

Girls Volleyball – Logan Piktel; piktell@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Boys Volleyball – David Riedl; davidariedl@hotmail.com

Girls Swimming & Diving (Co-Op with Lake Geneva Badger H.S) – Alison Whowell;

Alison@gordysboats.com

Boys Soccer (Co-Op with Catholic Central H.S) – Victor Jabrial; vjabrial@cchsnet.org

Sideline Cheer – Savannah Meyers; wilmotunioncheerleading@gmail.com

Winter Sports Contacts:

Boys Basketball – Jake Erbenraut; erbenrautj@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Girls Basketball – Matthew Yarc; yarcmm@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Wrestling – Ryan Gartner; gartnerr@wilmoths.k12.wi.us & Matt Connor;

connorm@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Boys Swimming & Diving (Co-Op with Lake Geneva Badger H.S) – Steele Whowell;

Steele.Whowell@gordysboats.com

Gymnastics – Jordin Burchell; burchellj@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Ice Hockey (Co-Op with Kenosha Thunder) – Joseph Trifone; joetri63@gmail.com

Competitive Cheer – Savannah Meyers; wilmotunioncheerleading@gmail.com

Spring Sports Contacts:

Track & Field (Boys & Girls) – Keiya Square; squarek@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Softball – Jacob Mudge; mudgej@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Girls Soccer (Co-Op with Catholic Central H.S) – Victor Jabrial; vjabrial@cchsnet.org

Baseball – Karl Richter; richter@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Boys Tennis – Lisa Obertin; obertinl@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Boys Golf – Dan Burch; burchd@wilmoths.k12.wi.us



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NEWSLETTER LINKS

Board of Education - Calendar:

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<https://www.wilmothighschool.com/WUHS%20Board%20Calendar%2020262027.pdf>

Newsletter Email & SMS List:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfP6W4NQCzyg4OdRT60MXWjPrSOXiCwcxyrt8CT2MNI4mgU0A/viewform>

Construction Timeline:

<https://www.wilmothighschool.com/construction%20update%20timeline.pdf>

Community Referendum Construction Updates:

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

Staff Appreciation:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf45d5rVaDgSnHO4Py_tFFtWXhbpNk2yOtJO2nteK46TKQdw/viewform

CareSolace:

<https://caresolace.com/site/wilmot>

Staff Appreciation:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf45d5rVaDgSnHO4Py_tFFtWXhbpNk2yOtJO2nteK46TKQdw/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/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/>

Athletics Start Date/Contacts:

<https://www.wilmothighschool.com/Athletic%20Start%20202627.pdf>

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/YMYIADrct_mUcBFbaNahyJcM5Zjpf7T9ssXNU6OaKOk/edit

WUHS Newsletter:

<https://www.wilmothighschool.com/wilmot-updates.cfm>

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