



LANCERS NEWS

AIR TESTING APRIL 8TH-MAY 3RD MR. MC CANN, PRINCIPAL

Each spring, all public schools in Ohio take part in end-of-course exams. The exams are commonly known as AIR (American Institute for Research) Tests. Willowick Middle School will be AIR testing April 8th-April 30th.

The following grades and subject areas will be tested:

6TH AND 7TH GRADE: MATH & ELA
8TH GRADE: MATH, ELA & SCIENCE

A detailed calendar will be sent out via "This Week at WWMS" next week. After viewing this calendar, please try to avoid any appointments, vacations and other pre-determined absences during these dates.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

PBIS PROGRAM

Through PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports), students continue to earn Lancer Cash by showing Respect, Responsibility, and being Ready to Learn. Students have the opportunity to purchase new things with their Lancer Cash. Twice each month, students can shop at the PBIS school store. And every month, students can enter a raffle to get a special delivery. In January, a pizza was delivered to a student and a friend of their choice. In February, students can have Starbucks delivered. The 3rd quarter incentive will be announced soon; students can sign up and pay \$15 Lancer Cash to participate.

We have been encouraging our students to earn as much Lancer Cash as possible for the remainder of the school year. We want them to have an unlimited amount of cash to spend. A fun surprise is being planned for the end of the 4th quarter

Parents and families, if you have questions or would like to join our PBIS team, please contact Asst. Principal, Scott Stasa at scott.stasa@weschools.org or aAey piks at Aey.Piks@weschools.org.

EARLY RELEASE REQUEST

If you know that your child will be leaving early, please make arrangements with your child **and send a note to school in the morning, prior to 8:30 a.m.** A pass will be issued so your child can leave the classroom at the proper time, without unnecessary interruptions.

As always, we will be glad to accommodate any last minute requests for emergencies. If you know you will be arriving for an unexpected pick-up, please call the school at 440-943-2950 and we will make every effort to have your child in the office before your arrival. Thank you for your cooperation.

DO NOT LEAVE EARLY RELEASE MESSAGES ON THE ABSENCE LINE OR THE GENERAL MAILBOX LINE.

PAY FOR IT PROGRAM: LUNCH/STUDENT FEE PAYMENTS

Instructions on how to set-up a Pay-For-It program account can be found on the W-E Schools website. Please use the parents drop-down menu for instructions.

School fees and student lunch payments can all be made online and monitored throughout the school year using the Pay-For-It program.

CAREER DAY GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

On March 14, our 8th grade students will be participating in a Career Day!

In the first part of the day (periods 1-3), the students will listen to guest speakers from a variety of occupations and careers. The students will have an opportunity to hear from 4 different speakers that he/she are interested in. Also that day, students and teachers from the Excel TECC program will be here during 7th and 8th periods.

There will be stations in the gym in which students will be exposed to many of the Excel TECC programs that will be offered to them as Juniors and Seniors. This will give students the opportunity to realize that college credits can be earned through these courses. Excel TECC is NOT "just" vocational training.

Please take the time to talk to your student (s) before and/or after this day. It is never TOO early to start talking about the future!

**31500
Royalview Dr.
Willowick, OH
44095**

**Main Phone:
440-943-2950**

**Fax Number:
440-943-9964**

**24 Hour
Attendance
Line:
440-283-2183**

**Twitter
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www.weschools
.org/Willowick**

SCHOOL HOURS

**DOORS OPEN
8:15 A.M.**

BELL 8:25 A.M.

**FIRST PERIOD
BEGINS
8:30 A.M.**

**DISMISSAL
3:10 P.M.**

**WILLOWICK
MIDDLE
SCHOOL
IS
WORKING
TO
"IMPROVE
STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT"**

**Students First
Time On Task
Quality
Instruction**

**SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR SPRING BREAK
MARCH 25TH-29TH**

**BOOK FAIR-MEDIA CENTER
MARCH 11TH-15TH**

The Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings kids the books they want to read. We'll receive a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level, and all purchases benefit our school.

Reading for pleasure inside and outside of school has real and long-lasting benefits. Please come to our book fair and help shape your child's reading habits.

Online book fair is available March 6th-19th
<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/willowickmiddleschool>

TRACK INFORMATION

TRACK SCHEDULE

MARCH 5TH 3:15-5:00 P.M.
MARCH 7TH 3:15-5:00 P.M.
MARCH 11-14TH 3:15-5:00 P.M.
MARCH 18-21ST 3:15-5:00 P.M.
**MARCH 25-29TH NO PRACTICE-
SPRING BREAK**

COACHES

**SHAWN O'DONNELL-BOYS
JOHN CLENDENNING-GIRLS**

ASSISTANT COACHES

**DAN PHILLIPS
MARY KATE RIEMERSMA
MARGO LASEAK
MATT MCCRAITH**

PTSO FUNDRAISER

**WLBY. MARCO'S 975-8888
THU., 14TH 4:00-8:00 P.M.**

**WHEN ORDERING, PLEASE
TELL THE PERSON TAKING
YOUR ORDER THAT IT IS A
SCHOOL FUNDRAISER.**

**IF ORDERING ONLINE,
BE SURE TO SELECT THE
SCHOOL CHALLENGE AND
WWMS. FLYERS ARE GIVEN
OUT MONTHLY THE DAY
BEFORE THE FUNDRAISER.**

SPORTS INFORMATION

Sports schedules and other information, can be found by accessing the **WILLOWICK MS** website and the **ATHLETICS** tab.

To participate in sports, including try-outs and practices, students must be registered online on **FINAL FORMS**; also found on the athletics website.

**ALL STUDENTS MUST
HAVE A CURRENT
PHYSICAL ON FILE IN
ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.
THERE ARE NO
EXCEPTIONS.**

**ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY
FALL SPORTS**

In order for students to be eligible for fall sports, either at Willowick Middle School, North High or South High Schools, they must meet academic eligibility rules.

Students must have an overall Grade Point Average for the 4th Grading Period of at least 2.0. Students below 2.0 will be on probation until grades are improved. In addition, students who fail two subjects are ineligible, even if their overall grades are high enough.

Please note that final grades are not considered...only 4th quarter grades determine eligibility!

MARCH

4TH PTSO MEETING 6:00 P.M.
4TH-8TH OPERATION KEEPSAKE
7TH GRADE HEALTH
5TH TRACK BEGINS
6TH-19TH ONLINE BOOK FAIR
11TH-15TH BOOK FAIR WEEK
13TH END 3RD GRADING PERIOD
13TH SOS ASSEMBLY
14TH PTSO MARCO'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER 4:00-8:00 P.M.
18TH CHOIR CONCERT 7:00 P.M.
20TH MAKER'S SPACE 3:30-4:30 P.M.
25TH-29TH **SPRING BREAK
NO SCHOOL**

***ELECTRONIC EMAILS
SCHOOL MESSENGER***

Sign up for electronic messaging to receive information on WWMS newsletters, school events and important information from the W-E Board Office.

TO SIGN-UP follow these steps:

- * Access the W-E City Schools website.
- * Click on the Parent Tab and click on "School Messenger". Then follow the steps in PowerSchool
- * Fill in the information, click on the "Willowick School" box.
- * Enter the security number in the box at the bottom of the page and click "**SIGN ME UP**".

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special education means specifically designed instruction, at no cost to the parent, to meet the unique needs of a handicapped child. Special Education Programs are provided for all children who have a handicapping disability. A disability in this instance means conditions such as; hearing impairments, visual impairments, speech or language impairments, learning disabilities, mental retardations, other health impairments, physical impairments, autism, and traumatic brain injury. Every handicapped child in Ohio is entitled to services provided by the school district in which they reside, including **children with disabilities who are homeless children or are wards of the state**. These services include; evaluation services for all children, birth through twenty one years, diagnostic services for all children birth through age twenty one years, and educational programs for children three through twenty one years of age.

If you know of a child who is handicapped or at risk and NOT receiving services, please contact the Willoughby-Eastlake City School District's Pupil Service Office at 440-975-3800.