# WARREN WOODS MIDDLE SCHOOL

# Home of the Wolverines

August 14, 2024

Dear WWMS Families,

It is with extreme enthusiasm that we welcome you to Warren Woods Middle School for the 2024-2025 school year! We anxiously await working together with you and the rest of the WWMS staff to provide your child with experiences that lead to an exciting school year. Here is some important information regarding the beginning of the school year:

#### **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

The first day of school is Tuesday, September 3, 2024. It is a half day of school. <u>Click here</u> to access the TENTATIVE 2024-2025 WWMS Daily Bell Schedule.

#### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Click here to access the TENTATIVE 2024-2025 WWMS Community calendar.

#### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

All required school supplies will be provided by the district. Should your child want personalized items, a copy of your child's grade level suggested school supplies list can be accessed by clicking here.

#### **SCHOOL PICTURES**

Students will be photographed by SchoolPictures.com for their yearbook picture and school I.D. on Wolverine Day, which is Tuesday, August 27, 2024. <u>Click here</u> to access picture day information.

#### **WOLVERINE DAY**

Wolverine Day will be held on Tuesday, August 27, 2024. The following schedule will apply:

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students (Last Name A – L) & <u>NEW</u> 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students (Last Name A – L) Sixth grade students (with last name that begins with the letters A – L), as well as seventh and eighth grade students (with last name that begins with the letters A – L) who are new to the building, will tour the building, pick up their class schedule, get their school picture taken, and learn about our Wolverine Ways. Please note, the building tour will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. Although parents are welcome to attend, <u>we strongly encourage your child to attend on his/her own</u>.

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. –  $6^{th}$  Grade Students (Last Name M – Z) & NEW  $7^{th}$  &  $8^{th}$  Grade Students (Last Name M – Z) Sixth grade students (with last name that begins with the letters M – Z), as well as seventh and eighth grade students (with last name that begins with the letters M – Z) who are new to the building, will tour the building, pick up their class schedule, get their school picture taken, and learn about our Wolverine Ways. Please note, the building tour will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. Although parents are welcome to attend, we strongly encourage your child to attend on his/her own.

# 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

Seventh grade students, who previously attended WWMS, may come in any time between 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. to pick up their class schedule and get their school picture taken.

# 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

Eighth grade students, who previously attended WWMS, may come in any time between 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. to pick up their class schedule and get their school picture taken.

Please make sure your child comes to Wolverine Day <u>ONLY</u> during their scheduled time. If your child is unable to attend Wolverine Day, the office will be open August 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. for students to pick up their schedule. Schedules will not be mailed home to students. Students will be able to access their schedule in PowerSchool beginning August 30<sup>th</sup>. Picture retakes will be scheduled later in the fall. Please note that any outstanding student fines will need to be paid in full before schedules can be picked up. For your convenience, the main office will be open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., beginning August 19, 2024.

#### ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

Students are not allowed into the building prior to the 7:50 a.m. bell. If waiting outside prior to the 7:50 a.m. bell, students should report to their grade-level entrance areas (see below). Upon entrance into the building, students will have 10 minutes to get to their lockers and to their 1<sup>st</sup> hour class periods. Students who are transported to school via district transportation will be asked to use the sidewalks surrounding the campus to report to the entrance doors pertaining to their grade level. Upon dismissal, students will be asked to use any of the exterior doors to exit the building.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

Upon arrival, 6th grade students will be asked to enter the building through the main entrance (Door #1).

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

Upon arrival, 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will be asked to use the door at the end of the 300 Wing for arrival (Door #3).

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

Upon arrival, 8th grade students will be asked to use the door at the end of the 500 Wing for arrival (Door #15).

# CAMPUS PARKING LOT EXPECTATIONS/TRAFFIC FLOW

Warren Woods Public Schools takes great pride in keeping our students safe. To ensure the safety of our students, parents, and staff, please review the enclosed information regarding parking lot procedures that affect the flow of traffic at Warren Woods Middle School at both arrival and dismissal times.

# **TRANSPORTATION**

If your child is eligible for district transportation (if you live further than 1.5 miles from the school, or live in a designated walking hazard area), you can <u>click here</u> to view your child's bus stop location, bus number, and approximate stop times.

#### **LOCKERS**

Each child will be assigned a locker on the first full day of school. Expectations regarding locker use will be reviewed with students throughout the first week of school. Students who are participating in gym will be assigned a lock and locker in the gymnasium locker room. Students who are participating in band will either utilize their personal locker to store their instrument or be assigned a band locker.

# **BACKPACKS/BOOK BAGS/PURSES**

Students are allowed to bring backpacks, book bags, purses, etc. to/from school. However, students will not be allowed to carry backpacks, book bags, purses, etc. throughout the school day. Students will be given ample time between classes to store and retrieve necessary materials for class. Non-instructional items (clothing, purses, toys, phones, etc.) should be stored in student lockers until the end of the school day.

#### **BREAKFAST/LUNCH**

For the 2024-2025 school year, breakfast and lunch will be offered to all students free of charge. Breakfast will be available to students during their 1<sup>st</sup> hour advisory class. The following schedule will apply for lunch: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: 10:33 a.m. – 11:03 a.m.; 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: 11:32 a.m. – 12:02 p.m.; 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: 12:32 p.m. – 1:02 p.m.

#### **OPEN HOUSE**

Our annual Open House will be held on Thursday, September 5, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. All WWMS families are welcome and encouraged to attend and will be able to tour the school and meet the staff.

#### WWMS HANDBOOK

Please take the time to review the WWMS Handbook with your child. <u>Click here</u> to access the handbook.

## **IMMUNIZATIONS**

Please make sure your child's immunization record is up to date. If you have questions about immunizations, please contact our counseling department at (586) 439-4676.

#### **ATHLETICS**

Fall sports include 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade football and 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade girls volleyball. Here are the tentative tryout/practice dates for fall sports:

#### 7th/8th Grade Football (non-cut sport)

The first day of practice will be Wednesday, September 4, 2024. Students who plan on participating will be expected to report to practice immediately following the conclusion of the school day.

## 7th/8th Grade Girls Volleyball (cut sport)

The first day of tryouts will be Wednesday, September 4, 2024. Students who plan on participating will be expected to report to tryouts immediately following the conclusion of the school day.

All student athletes must have a current physical (dated on or after April 15, 2024) on file prior to trying out/participating in any middle school sport. <u>Click here</u> to access the current MHSAA Physical Form.

#### PARENT COMMUNICATION

Our two main methods of school/parent communication will be School Messenger and Remind. Here is a description of each method:

#### Remind

Remind is a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that helps us share important updates and reminders with students and parents. All personal information is kept private. You can subscribe by text, email, or through the Remind app. Click here to sign up.

## School Messenger

School Messenger is a software system that enables the district/school to send messages to parents/guardians. Messages can be sent via phone call or email, depending on the type of message constructed by the district/school. Messages will be automatically sent to the phone number and/or email that we currently have on file for parents/guardians in PowerSchool.

Please be aware of these other important school/parent communication methods:

# Schoology

Warren Woods Public Schools will utilize Schoology (warrenwoods.schoology.com) to communicate lesson plans and course content to students and families.

#### PowerSchool

Our PowerSchool Parent Portal gives parents and students access to real-time information including attendance and grades. You must create a Single Sign-On account to log into PowerSchool. Your ID and password can be obtained by contacting the main office.

#### Website

<u>Click here</u> to access our school's website which contains important information and forms pertaining to our school.

Please do not hesitate to contact us to discuss any issues that you feel are of relative importance to your child's education or our school...our doors are always open. It is our hope that all of us will work together to see that your child receives the best education possible at WWMS. We are looking forward to a FABULOUS year!

Sincerely,

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Warren Woods Public Schools takes great pride in keeping our students safe. To ensure the safety of our students, parents, and staff, please be reminded of our parking lot procedures that affect the flow of traffic at Warren Woods Middle School at both arrival and dismissal times.

#### ARRIVAL (7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.)

• At no time should vehicles be STOPPING, STANDING, or PARKING along any parking lot curb. New signs have been installed, and the Warren Police may issue you a ticket for parking along the curb.



- If you are dropping your child off, please pull ALL the way up before dropping off your child.
- If for any reason a student needs to unload items, you must pull into one of the parking spaces in the parking lot to do so.
- Directional arrows have been painted in the east (Tim Horton's) parking lot to improve the flow of traffic; please obey the new traffic pattern.
- When leaving the parking lot, please be conscientious of your surroundings and other vehicles leaving at the same time as you.

#### DISMISSAL (2:40 p.m. - 3:10 p.m.)

- At no time should vehicles be STOPPING, STANDING, or PARKING along the parking lot curb.
- If you are picking up your child, you must pull into one of the parking spaces in the parking lot.
- Students getting picked up by a parent/guardian in the parking lot will be asked to use the crosswalks to get to vehicles.
- When leaving the parking lot, please be conscientious of your surroundings and other vehicles leaving at the same time as you.

Please see the maps that are attached. In addition to the information above, please be reminded of the attached expectations regarding WWMS parking lots.

If everyone is attentive, patient, and considerate, these procedures will make arrival and dismissal times much safer. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

# **MAIN LOT**



# **EAST LOT (Tim Horton's lot)**

