# Wilson Wildcat News

Wilson School Parent Newsletter Beaver Dam Unified School District Guiding Students, Empowering Futures

October 2023

Wilson Families,

I hope this message finds you all in good health and high spirits. As we wrap up our first month of the school year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the progress we have made together. It has been an incredible journey so far, filled with learning, growth, and countless moments of inspiration.

First and foremost, I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to our dedicated staff members who have worked tirelessly to create a nurturing and engaging environment for our students. I also want to express my gratitude to our incredible students for their hard work and enthusiasm with learning our school-wide expectations of being respectful, responsible, and safe. Their eagerness to learn and grow can be felt in each and every classroom!

This year we are putting great emphasis on helping our students see themselves as leaders. We have talked about the magic in the word "YET"....I can't do this YET! This month we are going to focus on encouraging students to be a leader and to "Be the One". Be the one to do the right thing, Be the one to stand up for someone else, Be the one to make someone's day a little bit brighter! Encouraging leadership in children helps build confidence and provides them with another opportunity to feel connected at school. I tell our students each day during announcements, "Be brave enough to be a leader" and "Make it a great day to be you!".

Throughout the month of September we conducted our i-Ready assessments to gain a better understanding of each student's strengths and areas for growth. These assessments have allowed us to tailor our instruction to meet the individual needs of our students, ensuring that everyone receives the support and guidance necessary to reach their fullest potential. We have already witnessed impressive progress, and I am confident that this upward trajectory will continue throughout the year.

Looking ahead, we have some exciting things planned for the month of October! Wilson Teachers will have the opportunity to meet with all of you during Parent Teacher Conferences on October 17th and the 19th. If you haven't had the chance to sign up yet, please do so. This is an important time for families and teachers to collaborate around how to best support each child. Your input is veiled and necessary to optimize your child's education.

I am truly honored to serve as your principal, and I am excited to witness the incredible accomplishments that await us.

Wishing you all a fantastic month ahead!

Mrs. Jansma

#### SAVE THE DATE

Our PTO is currently planning a Fall Family night for Friday, October 27th. We will also have our Halloween Parade on Tuesday, October 31st.

#### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Below are the dates and times for our fall conferences

K-5th

Tuesday, October 17th - 4:00-7:30pm Thursday, October 19th - 4:00-7:30pm

4K

Tuesday, October 17th - 4:00-7:30pm Thursday, October 19th - 12:00-4:00

Conferences with your child's classroom teacher are required.

#### **Red Ribbon Week**

October 23 – 31, 2023 is Red Ribbon Week. The national theme for this year is "Be Kind To Your Mind. Be Drug Free." Statistically, most youth do not use drugs and alcohol as they have learned of the long list of damages it causes in one's life. Children of parents who talk to their children about drugs are 42% less likely to use drugs than those who don't. Be a parent that has these conversations with your child. It will make a difference. Tell your child to watch for the Red Ribbon Week banner in their school.

# Wilson PTO Meeting

Tuesday, November 21st

@ 6:00 p.m.

Please join us for our monthly Wilson PTO Meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

# **Registration Fees**

Registration fees of \$30.00 per student are due at the beginning of the school year. Please remit payment as soon as possible. If your family is on free/reduced lunches the registration fee is waived. Checks can be made payable to Wilson Elementary. If you have any questions please feel free to call the school office.

#### Lunch

If your child will be late arriving to school and would like a hot lunch for that day, please call the office prior to 9:00 a.m. Lunch counts are called in by 9:00 a.m. everyday.

If your child would like an extra milk during lunch or is taking a cold lunch and would like a milk, it will be deducted from your family lunch account.

# **Updated Parent Contact Information**

It is extremely important that all parents update phone numbers and emergency contact information if they have changed from last year. Please do so in Skyward when you register your child. You may also call the school office to have that changed.

- -We will be celebrating the Great Apple Crunch on Thursday, October 12th during all lunch periods at schools!
- -Please be sure to fill out a free & reduced application if you feel you qualify! Also, be sure to apply if you have in the past and haven't this year yet as the roll over is coming soon and you will change your status if a new one hasn't been filled out! Ask us for an application if needed!
- -Our Kids in the Kitchen classes are starting up soon-watch for the permission slips at your schools to sign your kids up!
- -Please be certain to review your Skyward lunch account by the end of each school year. You need to request changes or ask charged questions before the school year ends in order to receive the possible credit to your account. Any questions or concerns about previous school year charges will not qualify for reimbursement once that current year has ended.





## School Nurse Update

A reminder from your school nurse: Wisconsin State Law requires that all immunizations be up to date within 30 days of entering the school system. New students will be asked to provide proof of immunization prior to the start of school; all others are requested to notify the school when your child receives additional immunizations. (Medical providers and Clinics do not notify the school).

Immunization Requirements for Elementary Age Children:

- DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus and acellular Pertussis), dose 5
- Hepatitis B, dose 3
- MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella), dose 2
- Polio, dose 4
- Varicella (Chickenpox), dose 2

\*Waivers for personal, religious or health reasons remain an option for parents.

#### Students with Health Conditions

If your child has a health condition that may or will require special monitoring, a health plan, and/or medication to be administered during the school day, please contact your school nurse. Some examples of health conditions could be, but are not limited to:

Allergies, Asthma, ADHD, Cardiac Conditions, Diabetes, and Seizure Conditions. All medical forms and health plans must be updated at the start of each school year as they do not carry over from year to year.

# **COVID** and other Communicable Diseases

Immunity against COVID-19 is stronger today than at any other point since COVID-19 emerged.

Immunity from vaccines and/or previous infection act like a shield against the virus and reduce your chance of getting a serious infection. We still need to be cautious because immune protection decreases over time.

We also have to remember that the virus that causes COVID-19 continues to change. For example, we are currently learning more about a newer variant called BA.2.86. It's a reminder to use the tools we have to fight COVID-19. Here are ways to keep you and your loved ones safe as we head into the fall season.

#### How to Protect Yourself and Others | CDC

\*\*Please do not call your student's school to inquire about COVID cases present in their classrooms as this is a confidentiality issue and will not be discussed.





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October 5, 2023

Dear Parents,

As educators at the Beaver Dam Unified School District, our challenge is to find effective ways to meet the needs of all our students. Research studies indicate that family involvement has a direct and positive affect on student achievement.

Our school receives federal Title I funds for the purpose of assisting students in meeting federal and state language arts and mathematics standards. Realizing the importance of parental involvement, federal guidelines require schools to develop a Student/Family/School Agreement as a component of the school policy.

Please read and review the attached agreement as a pledge to promise to work together to ensure the success of your child.

We look forward to working with you and your child to make this a successful school year.

Thank you for your time and support as we work together in educating your child.

Sincerely,

Ashley Janoma Ashley Jansma

Principal

Wilson Elementary School





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5 de octubre de 2023

Queridos padres,

Como educadores en el BDUSD, nuestro desafío es encontrar formas efectivas de satisfacer las necesidades de todos nuestros estudiantes. Los estudios de investigación indican que la participación familiar tiene un efecto directo y positivo en el rendimiento de los estudiantes.

BDUSD recibe fondos federales del Título I con el propósito de ayudar a los estudiantes a cumplir con los estándares federales y estatales de artes del lenguaje y matemáticas. Al darse cuenta de la importancia de la participación de los padres, las pautas federales requieren que las escuelas desarrollen un Acuerdo de Estudiante / Familia / Escuela como un componente de la política escolar.

Lea y revise el acuerdo adjunto como una promesa de promesa de trabajar juntos para garantizar el éxito de su hijo.

Esperamos trabajar con usted y su hijo para que este sea un año escolar exitoso.

Gracias por su tiempo y apoyo mientras trabajamos juntos para educar a su hijo.

Sinceramente,

Ashley Janoma Ashley Jansma

Principal

Wilson Elementary School

#### Wilson Elementary School - Agreement

We know that students learn best when everyone works together to encourage learning. This agreement is a promise to work together as a team. Together we can maximize the potential of every student! Please read over this agreement with your student and make commitments to collaborate for student success. See your student's Teacher or Principal for any questions.

Student	Family	Teacher
I pledge to  Attend school regularly and be on time  Work hard to do my best in class and on my school work  Ask for help when I don't understand something  Come prepared each day (supplies, books, completed work)  Keep a positive attitude towards self, others, school and learning  Discuss with my family what I am learning about in school  Read frequently at home  Set goals for myself for learning and behavior  Be responsible for my actions  Raise my hand to speak  Speak politely and cooperate with others  Keep my hands and feet to myself  Respect my parents, school staff and other students	I pledge to  Help my child attend school regularly, on time and dress appropriately.  Provide a space and time at home that allows my child to read and do homework  Encourage my child to do his/her best work  Talk with my child about school activities  Encourage my child to set goals and to work to reach those goals  Provide necessary school supplies  Support school rules  Communicate with teachers and attend conferences  Support my child through having him/her attend summer school (if needed/recommended)	I pledge to  • Be a positive role model  • Provide a positive learning environment  • Maintain high expectations for myself and the students  • Communicate and work with families to support student learning  • Show respect to parents, students and family situations  • Explore what techniques and materials help each child reach his/her best potential

## Escuela Primaria Wilson- Acuerdo

Sabemos que los estudiantes aprenden mejor cuando todos trabajan juntos para alentar el aprendizaje. Este acuerdo es una promesa de trabajar juntos como un equipo, ¡Juntos podemos maximizar el potencial de cada estudiante! Lea este acuerdo con su estudiante y haga compromisos para colaborar para el éxito del estudiante. Vea al maestro o director de su estudiante para cualquier pregunta.

Estudiante	Familia	Profesor
Me comprometo a  Asistir a la escuela regularmente y llegar a tiempo  Trabajar duro para dar lo mejor en clase y en mi trabajo escolar  Pedir ayuda cuando no entiendo algo  Venir preparado todos los días (suministros, libros, trabajo completado)  Mantener una actitud positiva hacia uno mismo, los demás, la escuela y el aprendizaje  Discutir con mi familia lo que estoy aprendiendo en la escuela  Leer con frecuencia en casa  Establecer metas para mí para el aprendizaje y el comportamiento  Ser responsable de mis acciones  Levantar la mano para hablar  Hablar cortésmente y cooperar con los demás  Mantener mis manos y pies para mí mismo  Respetar a mis padres, el personal de la escuela y otros estudiantes	Me comprometo a  Ayudar a mi hijo a asistir a la escuela regularmente, a tiempo y vestirse adecuadamente .  Proporcionar un espacio y tiempo en el hogar que le permita a mi hijo leer y hacer la tarea  Animar a mi hijo a hacer su mejor trabajo  Hablar con mi hijo sobre las actividades escolares  Animar a mi hijo a establecer metas y trabajar para alcanzar esas metas  Proporcionar útiles escolares necesarios  Apoyar las reglas escolares  Comunicarme con los maestros y asistir a conferencias  Apoyar a mi hijo haciendo que asista a la escuela de verano (si es necesario / recomendado)	Me comprometo a  • Ser un modelo positivo  • Proporcionar un positivo ambiente de aprendizaje  • Mantener altas expectativas para mí y para los estudiantes  • Comunicarme y trabajar con las familias para apoyar el aprendizaje de los estudiantes  • Mostrar respeto a los padres, estudiantes y situaciones familiares  • Explorar qué técnicas y materiales ayudan a cada niño a alcanzar su mejor potencial

# **Student Absences**

Please inform the school office at (920)885-7373 by 8:35 a.m. if your student will not be attending for the day, will arrive late, or needs to leave early. When leaving a message on the voice mail, include your first and last name, your student's first and last name, their grade, and the reason for their absence. It is very important to call the school office with all absences.

## **District Links**

BDUSD 2023-24 School Calendar

**Community Resources** 

Weather Related Announcements

**Community Flyers** 

Breakfast/Lunch Menu

**Skyward Family Login Access** 

**Early Childhood October Newsletter** 

Early Childhood October Newsletter Spanish

**Elementary October Newsletter** 

**Elementary October Newsletter Spanish** 

**BDUSD Strategic Plan** 

School Supply Lists