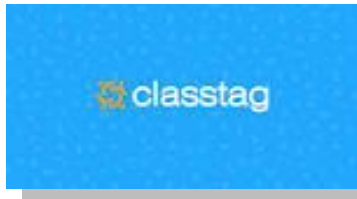


WORDS from the WILDCAT



September 2020

I LEARN...I LEAD...I SUCCEED!



If you have not already done so, please join ClassTag. If you did not receive information from your child's teacher, please contact the Front Office. This platform will serve as an added form of schoolwide communication.

PARENT ↔ TEACHER COMMUNICATION

We welcome an open line of communication with parents. However, teachers will not be called to the phone during instructional time. Likewise, you may not have an impromptu meeting with teachers during arrival or dismissal. You may leave a message or contact the Front Office to schedule a conference.

Please thank your teacher today! WFES teachers are rising to the occasion. The start of this 2020-21 school-year has proven to be anything but traditional. As a result of this mixed-model learning environment, we experience challenges daily. A primary issue centers around technology. We strive each day to provide a quality education to every WFES student. It is difficult and frustrating when we are met with any issue that impairs our teaching efforts. It becomes even more stressful when we are met with unkind words and a lack of support from home. Please understand that while we are responsible for delivering the instruction virtually, we are not IT. While we try to assist with basic troubleshooting, you may need to return to the school with your device for more specialized assistance. ***Please exercise patience and support as we work to make this a quality learning experience for your child.***

STAY HOME IF YOU'RE SICK

If you're sick, stay home, rest, and remember to:

- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your sleeve.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water.
- Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects (for example, TV remotes and computers).

Employers: Consider offering flexible leave and telework policies. Make it easier for your staff to stay home when they're sick or caring for a sick family member.

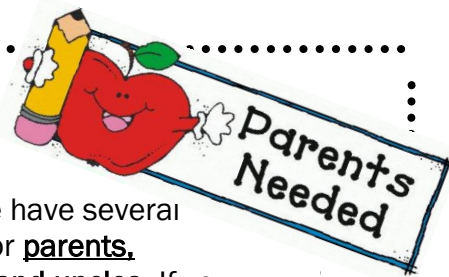
For more information: www.cdc.gov/hpi | 1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636) | www.cdc.gov/info



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Please visit the WFES website
to complete the Title I Parent Survey



HELP WANTED! ... We have several volunteer openings for parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. If you have thirty minutes or more, we've got a job for you! No appointment is necessary. For additional information please contact

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| ✓ Donated services | ✓ Painters |
| ✓ Mentors | ✓ Gardeners |
| ✓ Arts & Crafts Talents | ✓ PTO Officers |
| ✓ Chess Coaches (Chess Club) | ✓ Readers |

Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to Ms. Burley, who is the Willis Foreman Wildcat Teacher of the Year! This honor is well-earned and much deserved! Feel free to send Ms. Burley your well-wishes and congratulations.



"Without confidence, you are twice defeated in the race of life. With confidence, you have won before you even started."

~ Marcus Garvey



We need community volunteers!

Please consider serving as a member of the PTO Cabinet:

- President
- Treasurer
- Secretary



As We Meet

Respectful	Responsible	Safe
<p>Mute your microphone if not speaking.</p>	<p>When the morning song ends, have all needed materials ready.</p>	<p>Be on time and try to find a quiet space.</p>
	<p>Have a question raise your hand or use the raise your hand feature.</p>	<p>Tech Issues. Contact Mrs. White</p>

LIVE NORMS

Respectful	Responsible	Safe
<p>Mute your microphone if not speaking.</p>	<p>Bring needed materials before the lesson starts!</p>	<p>Attempt being on time for live meetings.</p>
<p>Enjoy chatbox chatter and greet your friends until you see your teacher's camera on.</p>	<p>Unmute when acknowledged.</p>	<p>Each class write your name in the chat box.</p>

Meeting Norms

Respectful	Responsible	Safe
<p>Mute your microphone if not speaking</p>	<p>When the morning song ends, have all needed materials ready.</p>	<p>Be on time and try to find a quiet space.</p>
<p>Greet your friends at the 'start' and 'end' of each meeting.</p>	<p>Be Respectful in the chat box.</p>	<p>Try to focus and pay attention.</p>

Parent Support

Before class meeting starts	During our meeting	After our meeting
<p>Help your child wake up and eat before class.</p>	<p>You should not have to stay next to your child during the entire class. Be close in case technical help is needed.</p>	<p>Set up regular break times for eating and movement.</p>
<p>Make sure your child has school materials ready when class starts.</p>	<p>Remember the camera and microphone optional during our meeting I would love to see bright smiles but I respect your privacy.</p>	<p>Help your child complete the work assigned and turn it in. Please do not do the work yourself! If the work is confusing check in during office hours.</p>
<p>You will need to help your child log in to class for the first several meetings.</p>	<p>Plug in the computer each night!</p>	<p>----- and I will meet with several smaller groups of kids throughout the day. Check the schedule to see when your child is scheduled.</p> <p>My office hours are to support you and the children.</p>