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Good afternoon Students and Parents,

I hope this letter finds you well. As we progress through the final quarter of the year I believe it is prudent that I send you updates as soon as possible. A few items in this letter are redundant, but I feel it is necessary to send them again. It is crunch time and before you know it summer break will be here. Staff members, students, and parents need to be on the same page for the success of the students.

Within this Principal's Bulletin you will find the end of year informational items that are extremely important. I also want to take this time to congratulate our students as they move onto the next grade level, especially our 8th grade students moving up to the high school. **8th grade parents and families are invited to attend the 8th grade awards ceremony on Thursday, June 13th in the auditorium beginning at 8:30.**

4th QUARTER

- 5 weeks left in the 4th quarter
- 23 school days left for 7th & 8th grade students
- 29 school days left for 6th grade students

DRESS CODE

Please review the dress code portion of the student handbook/agenda (Pg. 3) with your child. Quite a few students have been in violation of the dress code wearing pajamas, tank tops, or shorts that are not appropriate. **As a reminder, pajamas are not appropriate for school.** Thank you for your cooperation.

ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

- The district has recently updated our Attendance Notification System. Parents/Guardians will begin to receive a daily text message if your child has been marked absent or tardy.
- For your convenience, you may respond to the text message with your excuse if you wish. You can also still provide an excuse by phone call, email or a good old-fashioned note.
- As with other text messages, you can OPT OUT by simply replying STOP.
- You will also receive a monthly text message known as an Attendance Postcard. This gives you information on your child's attendance to date for the year. You will easily see if your child's attendance is on track, or if your child is struggling with attendance. If that's the case, we'd like to help, and encourage you to reach out to us.
- You may have received an initial message last week. We apologize that you received this without prior notice - it was not our intention. We appreciate your patience as we move forward in our efforts to support our families and continue to make student attendance a high priority.
- Please contact the district helpline at 751-9399 with any questions or concerns. Thank you and enjoy your weekend!

May 23rd - Sand and Sun Fun Run

- Sand and Sun Fun Run @ 1:00 (MS entrance and Varsity Baseball field)
 - Parents/guardians are invited to attend or participate in the Sand and Sun Fun Run. We will be starting outside the MS entrance and finishing at the Varsity Baseball Field. It is best to park in the Zipp parking lot and walk outside the building to the MS entrance if you would like to attend.

MEMORIAL WEEKEND - 4 DAY WEEKEND:)

- Friday, May 24th - NO SCHOOL
 - At the April BOE meeting the BOE approved Friday, May 24th as a District-wide Holiday.
- Monday, May 27th - NO SCHOOL

2023-2024 POSSIBLE RETENTIONS

- Students that fail two full year subjects or a combination of two half year courses and a full year subject will be retained in their current grade for the 2024-2025 school year.
- Summer school is expected to be scheduled this year at Starpoint.
 - Summer school information will be distributed to those students that qualify for summer school when it is available.
- Please contact your child's guidance counselor or Principal Benton with questions.

SUMMER SCHOOL

- Students that fail the 2023-2024 school year 'may' be eligible for summer school.
- If your child qualifies for summer school and potential promotion to the next grade level, the guidance department will be in contact with parents.
- Summer School cost was \$116 per course last year and it may increase this year.
- A student may enroll in two courses maximum.
- Starpoint CSD will host summer school this summer and transportation is the parent's responsibility as the WCSD does not provide transportation for summer school.
- **There will be a short window of time for summer school registration.**

STUDENT LAST DAY

- 7th & 8th Grade last student day - 6/13/24
- 6th Grade last student day - 6/25/24
 - ½ days (dismissal @ 10:54)
 - June 20th, 21st, 24th, 25th

PARENT PORTAL CLOSING

- Parent Portal will close on June 13th to allow time for teachers to work on finalizing gradebooks.

FRENCH 8/SPANISH 8 Proficiency Exams

- French 8 and Spanish 8 will have a mandatory Proficiency Exam (Checkpoint A Exam)
 - Friday, June 21st @ noon

ACCELERATED STUDENTS REGENTS EXAMS

- Algebra I
 - Tuesday, June 4th @ 8:00
- Earth Science
 - Thursday, June 20th @ 8:00

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

- We will have one final MS Newsletter sent to parents near the end of June wrapping up the school year.

6th GRADE AND NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

- August 27, 2024 @ 6:00 - 7:30
 - Parents/students report to auditorium

As always, please know how much we appreciate your support of all we do at Wilson Middle School.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can always contact us.

Take care,

Scott Benton, Principal
Wilson Middle School

Upcoming MS Events

5/14	7:00	MS Band Spring Concert
5/16		WJHS Field Trip to Urban Air
5/16	7:00	HS Band Spring Concert
5/21	10:00 - 8:00	Budget Vote
5/23		Progress reports printed/mailed
5/23	1:00	Sand & Sun Fun Run
5/24 - 5/27		Memorial Day Holiday
5/29		Wilson Winner Field Trip (Fun City/Walden Galleria)
5/30	6:00	MS Choral Concert
5/30	7:30	HS Choral Concert
6/1		MS Band Competition @ Buffalo State/Awards @ Darien Lake
6/3 & 6/4		8th grade proficiency (Speaking) - Students schedule w/ Mrs. Alessi
6/4		Regents - Algebra I - Time TBD (Advanced Students)
6/5		6th Grade Field Trip to Royalton Ravine
6/5	6:00	Jazz on the Green
6/11		8th Grade Math Final Exam: 10th & 11th period
6/12		6th Grade Final Exams (administered during normal periods)
6/12		7th grade Science Final Exam: 1st & 2nd period
6/12		8th Grade Science Final Exam: 1st & 2nd period
6/12		7th grade Social Studies Final Exam: 10th & 11th period
6/12		6th Grade Final Exams (administered during normal periods)
6/13		7th Grade Math Final Exam: 1st & 2nd period
6/13		7th & 8th Grade students last day
6/13	8:30	8th Grade Moving Up Day Ceremony
6/13		7th Grade Locker Clean-Out and Brownies: 10th & 11th period
6/14		Flag Day - Full Day for 6th Grade Students
6/17		Regents Rating Day - No Students/Staff Report
6/18		6th Grade Brownies Field Trip - Full day for Students
6/19		Juneteenth Observance (No School)
6/20		6th grade ½ day - Dismissal @ 11:00
6/20		Honor Roll Field trip to Tusc
6/20	8:00	Regents - Physical Setting/Earth Science (Advanced Students)
6/21	12:00	World Language Proficiency (8th grade foreign language students)
6/21		6th grade ½ day - Dismissal @ 11:00
6/24		6th Grade - Nickel City Reptiles
6/24		6th grade ½ day - Dismissal @ 11:00
6/24	12:00	World Language Comprehensive (8th grade foreign language students)
6/25		6th grade ½ day - Dismissal @ 11:00 - LAST DAY
6/25		End of 4th quarter
6/26		Superintendent Conference Day - Last teacher day
6/29	9:00	Graduation @ Artpark
7/3		Final report cards mailed
8/27	6:00 - 7:30	6th Grade and new student orientation