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Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you about an exciting new opportunity that will be available to your child at Wilson Middle School beginning July 5th. Our staff has been looking at the current research on what is termed the "summer loss in learning" and the findings are pretty convincing.

Research indicates the following:

- All young people experience learning losses when they do not engage in educational activities during the summer.
- On average, students lose approximately 2.6 months of grade-level equivalency in mathematical computation skills over the summer months.
- Some students can lose about 2 months of reading achievement.

In an effort to assist parents in reducing the "summer loss of learning", we have created the Summer Readiness Program for students entering grades 6th - 8th. We plan to teach/review Social Studies, Science, Math, ELA/Reading, and Spanish/French (8th grade). The goal of the program is to work on skill-based activities to keep students sharp for the upcoming school year. The activities are designed to be a review of material from the past school year along with an emphasis on skills needed for the fall.

Wilson Middle School Summer Readiness Program Details:

A five week Summer Readiness Program for qualifying students that are entering grades 6th - 8th grades. The Wilson Middle School Summer Readiness Program is a grant funded program that provides students with additional academic instruction focused on individual student needs beyond the regular school year.

Important details are listed below:

- 5 week program: July 5th August 4th
- Class time is 8:00 AM 11:30 (4 class periods), Tuesday Thursday (3 days per week)
- Students should eat breakfast at home and bring a healthy snack as they will be in class from 8:00 11:30.
- Classes will be held at Wilson Middle School.
- Families must provide transportation to and from Wilson Middle School.
- Drop off and pick up location is located at the Middle School entrance.
- Chromebooks (assuming teachers will use them)
 - o 6th & 7th grade students will use their WCSD issued Chromebook.
 - o 5th grade students will be issued a Chromebook.
- 6th and 7th grade students will take the four core subject areas (Social Studies, Science, Math, and ELA/Reading).
- 8th grade students will take Math, ELA/Reading and two of the following: Social Studies, Science, Spanish or French (depending on the course they were enrolled in during the 2021-2022 school year).

Please complete the Wilson Middle School Summer Readiness Program Registration Form and return it to the Middle School Office as soon as possible.

If you have questions, please contact Principal Benton at (716) 751-9341 ext. 123 or email at sbenton@wilsoncsd.org.

Thank you,

Scott Benton, Principal Wilson Middle School