



# WILSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

*Wilson, New York*

*Summer 2024*

Dear Wilson Middle School Students, Parents, and Staff,

It's hard to believe the 2023-2024 academic year has come to an end! I want to thank you all for your unwavering support and partnership throughout the year. Together, we've created a nurturing and vibrant learning environment, and your contributions have been invaluable.

As we close this chapter, I would like to take this opportunity to wish our 8th grade students a fond farewell and immense success as they move on to new academic and extracurricular opportunities in high school. Your journey here has prepared you well, and I am confident that you will continue to excel and make us proud.

Looking ahead, I want to ensure everyone is prepared for the upcoming school year. The 2024-2025 grade level supply lists will be sent out with report cards and are also posted on the middle school website. Additionally, students were provided with their summer reading assignments prior to the last day of school. For your convenience, copies of both the supply lists and the summer reading assignments are available at the middle school office.

As we enter the summer break, I encourage everyone to stay safe, be helpful, and always be kind. Enjoy your well-deserved rest and come back refreshed and ready for another fantastic year at Wilson Middle School.

Warm regards,

*Scott Benton*

Mr. Scott Benton, Principal

## MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL HANGING BASKET SALE

This spring, the middle school ran a very successful hanging basket sale. Flowers were provided by Zimmerman's Greenhouse on Rt. 18 in Lyndonville. We had **34 students** sell a total of **320 baskets**. This is a new record from last year's 270 baskets. Great job middle school students and parents who sold to friends, family, and co-workers. Thank you for the help and support. We greatly appreciate it.

The top seller for 6th grade was *Adison Rafferty* with 16 baskets sold. The top seller for 8th grade was *Addison Elia* with 20 baskets sold. The overall top seller award with a staggering 35 baskets sold goes to 7th grader *Aliah Hallatt*.

Thank you to everyone who sold and purchased the hanging baskets from our fundraiser.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey  
MS Student Council Advisors

## CHESS CLUB

First time chess players were given two weeks to learn and practice their newly acquired skills. After the two weeks, Chess Club was open to anyone interested in joining and was held every Monday and Tuesday throughout the school year. Students typically learned a new move or strategy during every club meeting, and then players had a chance to put that skill into practice during their game.

Two tournaments took place over several weeks during the year, with 20-30 students participating. 7th grade student *Caspian Gustafson* won the first tournament while 6th grade student *Dominic Snyder* won the second tournament. The students had a great time playing! We hope we will be seeing more participants next year. If you are interested in joining the Chess Club, please see Mr. Neumann in Room 3.





# 7<sup>th</sup> Graders



Mrs. Walch RN ext. 125

Mrs. Barnum RN ext. 127

## Hello From Your School Nurse

Phone #716-751-3200

Fax # 716-751-9597

### Hello Parents and Guardians

Welcome back to Wilson Middle School, we are your nurses Mrs. Walch and Mrs. Barnum. We are here to help you have the best year possible. If it's medication at school that your child needs, a quick band-aid fix, or an ice pack we are here for you. We're also here to make sure the kids are healthy and safe and we can do that by making sure vaccines and physicals are up to date. Below is break down of what we need to help make the process easier.



## Or did I?

### What shots does my child need for school, and how can I make this process easier?

-There are specific years that specific shots are needed. The good news is that out of 7 years here only 3 years are the shot years. The bad news, this is one of those years, however after this year you can forget about vaccines until 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Children entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade** will need to have their **Meningitis** shot before starting 7<sup>th</sup> grade, (we do have a 14-day grace period that state allows) The good news here is that it may have been administered at your child's 11 year well visit, so it's possible that your child got the vaccine already! If you're not sure your doctor can let you know, or you can call us in the clinic to see if we have a record of it.

### If your child needs medication at school

-We are able to administer prescription and Over the Counter medications as long as we have a **(1) Doctor's order for the medication, (2) Your signature allowing us to give the medication, and (3) the medication in the original box that it came from the pharmacy in**. We can then store the medication safely in the clinic and make sure that if your child needs it, it's here for them.

### Yearly Physicals

-We ask that you provide the clinic with a copy of your child's physical so we have a record that they are healthy and cleared to participate in physical activities. The great thing about electronic medical records is that most offices can fax it right to us at **716-751-9597** and you don't have to do any running around.

**\*Email is also a great option [swalch@wilsoncsd.org](mailto:swalch@wilsoncsd.org) or [ebarnum@wilsoncsd.org](mailto:ebarnum@wilsoncsd.org). We will be offering physicals at the school on 8/15/24 for sports and 11/13/2024 for mandated school physicals. For all kids where scheduling conflicts have occurred this is a great option.**

**\*\*Injury notes**-We hope it doesn't happen but with active kids, comes injuries at times. If your child is injured and needs to be out of gym/sports or needs accommodations to be successful in school, we can make that happen for you. Please send us the doctor's note via fax or drop it off and we'll take care of the rest!



## SEVENTH GRADE SERVING LEARNING PROJECT

Thank you to former Town Historian **Mr. Charles Horton** for stopping by to meet with a group of seventh graders this spring. The students are in **Mr. Sippel's** Social Studies classes, and they are researching a local legend centering on Luther Wilson, the son of town founder Reuben Wilson. According to the legend, Luther was a young teenage boy who was in the fields tending to the family's cows when British soldiers marched through Wilson during the War of 1812. To prevent the soldiers from hearing them, Luther stuffed dried leaves inside the cows' cowbells and drove them east, along what is now Route 18. Mr. Horton loaned the students a binder full of materials to help them with their research, and was also kind enough to meet with them in person to answer questions they had.

The group is proposing the installation of a new 'Legends and Lore' historical marker in the community, sometime during the 2024-25 school year. The marker program is offered through the Pomeroy Foundation, and this will be the second historical marker that Mr. Sippel's students have pursued. A marker featuring Lake Island

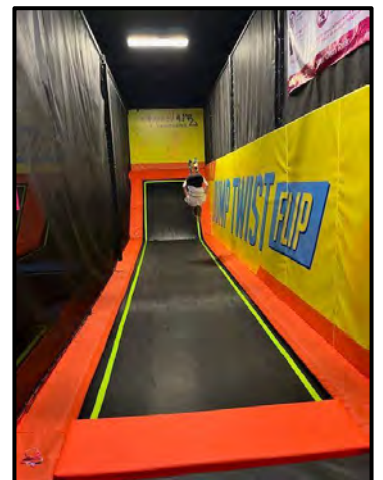
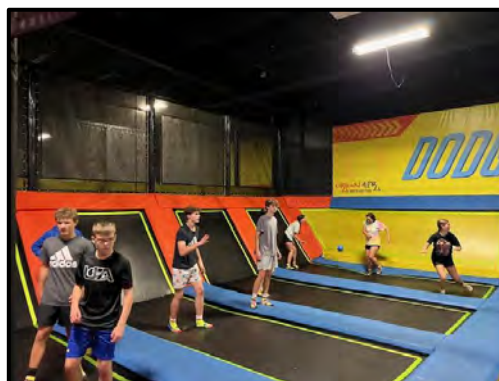
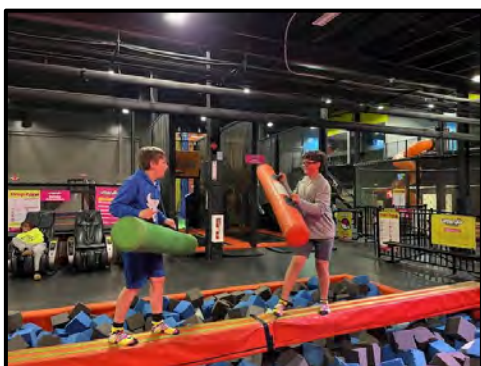
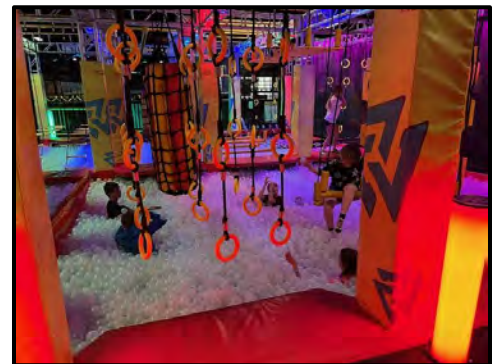
Park was secured by former student, **Jesse Rodgers** in 2019, and is currently installed near 1 Shore Drive in Wilson, by the entrance to the Tuscarora Yacht Club.

Through their participation in the project, Mr. Sippel's students may earn New York State's new 'Seal of Civic Readiness', when they graduate. Hopefully everyone will be able to enjoy a shiny, new red and silver marker in Wilson sometime next year! For more information on the Legends and Lore program, please visit: [wgpfoundation.org/history/legends-lore](http://wgpfoundation.org/history/legends-lore) .



## URBAN AIR ADVENTURE PARK

The **Wilson Junior Honor Society** students traveled to the Walden Galleria Mall where they enjoyed time at Urban Air Adventure Park. They spent time zip lining, jousting on the battle beam, climbing a rock wall, playing laser tag, running through the warrior course, tumbling down the runway track, jumping in the foam pit, and battling in the dodgeball arena. **Mr. Moberg**, **Mrs. Harvey**, and **Mrs. Alessi** chaperoned the trip and even got in on some of the action with members of the junior honor society. A great day was had by all!





## SAND, SUN AND FUN RUN

The Sand, Sun and Fun Run was held on May 23, 2024 prior to the Memorial Day weekend. Congratulations to **Hayden Fellows** and **Mikaila Akers** for being the top male and female runners. A special thanks to **Mr. Ryan Friedrich** for planning and coordinating the event. The tee shirts this year were designed by 8th grade student **Sophie Everest**. **Mr. Benton** led the way for students, while **Mr. Baker** provided the tunes! Fun was had by all!





# SAND, SUN AND FUN RUN CONTINUED







# Clothing Donation

Wilson will be starting a clothing closet and is looking for clothing donations!

**Men's/ Women's / Children**

- SHIRTS
- PANTS
- SPORTSWEAR
- JACKETS
- SHOES
- DRESSES
- DRESS CLOTHES
- BACKPACKS

Please make sure all clothing items are washed properly and in good condition

### ***Clothing Drop Off Information***

High School Main Office  
Contact Mrs. Taylor, MSW at  
(716) 638-0222

or

mtaylor@wilsoncsd.org



**WILSON SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**374 LAKE STREET**  
**WILSON, NY 14172**

# Comfort Closet

## What is it?

The comfort closet offers FREE male and female hygiene products for students, families and staff that are in need.

No questions asked.

## Location

MS/HS Guidance Office

Any questions or donations refer to Mrs. Taylor, MSW



(716) 751-9341 x 132



[mtaylor@wilsoncsd.org](mailto:mtaylor@wilsoncsd.org)

## What's in it?

- Full size Deodorant
- Body Wash/ Bars of Soap
- Full size Shampoo/ Conditioner
- Brushes
- Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Mouthwash, Floss
- Shaving cream
- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Soap
- Feminine Products



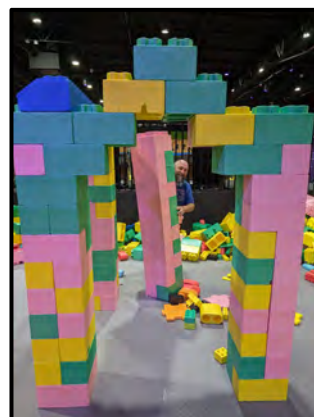
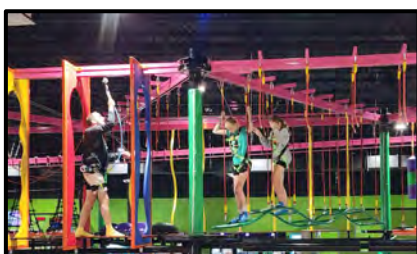
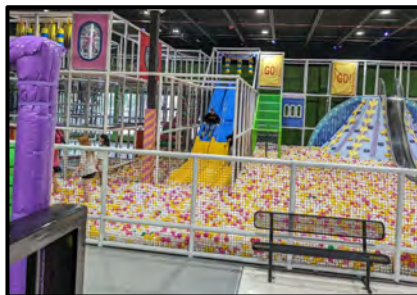
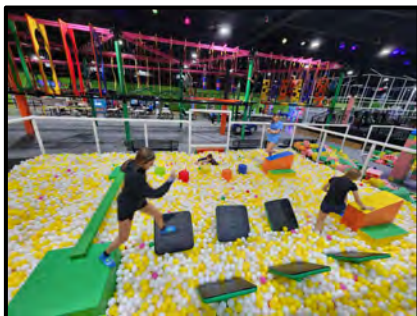
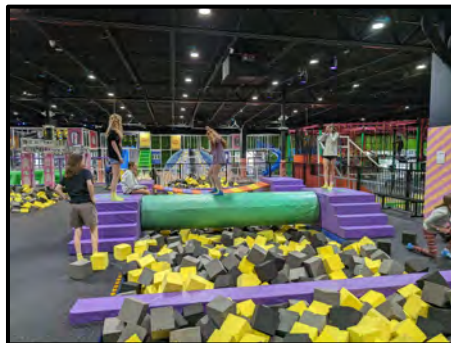
## 8TH GRADE MOVING UP DAY

The 8th grade students celebrated their last day of Middle School with a fun filled day! The day started with breakfast and snacks provided by many generous families, followed by an awards ceremony where students were recognized for their hard work throughout the year. The students then enjoyed a day of outdoor activities and a picnic lunch. To cap off the night, a Moving Up Day Dance was held where students showed off their dance moves and enjoyed time together. Congratulations to the 8th grade students and best of luck in high school!



## WILSON WINNERS FIELD TRIP TO FUN CITY

54 students were rewarded for their achievements with a trip to Fun City in Cheektowaga where they played in foam pits, tested their balance, and used huge legos to build things. Next, the students headed to the Walden Galleria Mall for lunch and shopping. Special thanks to **Mr. Friedrich** for planning this event. Students and teachers alike enjoyed the day!





# 2025 - 8TH GRADE WASHINGTON DC TRIP

APRIL 29/30 AND MAY 1/2, 2025

EMAIL KAREN ALOISIO WITH ANY  
QUESTIONS

[KALOISIO@WILSONCSD.ORG](mailto:KALOISIO@WILSONCSD.ORG)

**YOUR INCOMING 8TH GRADE  
STUDENT WILL HAVE THE  
GREATEST OPPORTUNITY TO  
ATTEND THE WASHINGTON DC  
CLASS TRIP NEXT SCHOOL YEAR**

**A STUDENT/PARENT INFORMATIONAL MEETING  
WILL BE GIVEN WHEN SCHOOL RESUMES IN  
SEPTEMBER**

**DETAILS WILL BE GIVEN FOR THE CLASS TRIP**

**YOUR STUDENT WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO  
FUNDRAISE, HELPING TO DEFRAY THE COST OF  
THE TRIP**





## IMPORTANT MIDDLE SCHOOL DATES



### First Day of School

Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>

### School Pictures (taken during gym class)

Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade & New Student Orientation (Auditorium)

Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 7:30 PM

There will be staff members on hand to speak and guide incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, as well as new students attending the middle school. 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will receive their schedule and locker assignment at orientation.

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade student schedules will be mailed home the week of August 19<sup>th</sup>.

If you have questions, please call Mr. Benton @ 751-9341 ext. 123



Student School Supply Lists, Physical Forms, Sports Permission Slips and Summer Reading Info are available on the District website or in the Middle School Foyer Monday – Thursday 8-3PM and Fridays from 8-Noon.

See you on Wednesday, September 4th!



## 6th GRADE ROYALTON RAVINE FIELD TRIP

This spring, the sixth grade students attended a field trip to the Royalton Ravine. They learned about many new things. The students experienced many different environmental presentations. Various stations set up throughout the Ravine offered information about butterflies, calves, Native American corn, gardening, insects, wildlife, rabies and animal furs. Students had a wonderful time enjoying activities outside the classroom and learned a lot about nature.



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