

# WILDCAT PRESS



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## WORTHINGTON CALENDAR

### 2022-2023 FALL IMPORTANT DATES

- 9/26 - Schools and Offices **CLOSED** – Rosh Hashanah
- 9/30 - PTA Back to School Party, 5:15-7:15 PM
- 10/3 - PTA Restaurant Night ~ Coal Fire ~ 11:30 AM-9:00 PM
- 10/05- Schools and Offices **CLOSED**- Yom Kippur
- 10/17- Flu Clinic
- 10/21- Schools **CLOSED**-Professional Work Day
- 10/24- Schools **CLOSED**-Professional Learning Day

### RELATED ARTS COLOR SCHEDULE

APPROVED

## September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				First day of school for Pre-K/RECC		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Labor Day Schools and offices closed (State Holiday)					
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	Schools and offices closed					

## WoES/HCPSS COMMUNICATION TO FAMILIES

Families may find it useful to bookmark the following webpages where information will be continually updated and posted:

- [WoES website](#)
- [HCPSS website](#)
- [HCPSS News site](#)
- [HCPSS Help site](#)

Calendars: [WoES](#) and [HCPSS](#)

## INSIDER INFORMATION

### Flu Vaccine

Flu vaccinations are coming to Worthington on October 17th, 2022. They will be given at NO CHARGE TO YOU. Now, more than ever, it is important to protect your family through vaccinations! If you would like your child to be vaccinated, you must **register BEFORE Friday, October 11th**. Fill out the consent form online at: [Flu Vaccination Appointment](#)



## **HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated from September 15th to October 15th. During this time, we celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month by appreciating the rich history, culture, heritage, and contributions of individuals and their family members who came from Mexico, Spain, the Caribbean, and South- and Central America. September 15th was chosen as the starting point for the celebration because it is the anniversary of the independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Also, Mexico celebrates its independence day on September 16th and Chile celebrates its independence day on September 18th.

Check out these websites for more information about Hispanic Heritage Month and how you can celebrate *virtually and at home!*

- [Celebrate Hispanic Heritage](#)
- [National Hispanic Heritage Month](#)
- [September: Civics: Hispanic Heritage Month](#)
- [Hispanic Heritage Month - Teaching Tolerance](#)
- [Hispanic Heritage Month - NEA](#)
- [A Comprehensive List of the Essential Latin Music Genres](#)
- [23 Books By Latinos That Might Just Change Your Life](#)
- Frida Khalo is one of the world's most famous Mexican artists. Check out her biography by clicking [here!](#)
- El Museo Frida Khalo, also known as the blue house, is named because of its beautiful blue hue. Check out the [virtual tour of Casa Azul](#) now!

## **BSAP Saturday Math Academy Registration Opens Sept. 24**

**Online registration** for the Black Student Achievement Program (BSAP) Fall Saturday Math Academy will begin Saturday, Sept. 24, at 9 a.m. until capacity is reached. The program is open to HCPSS students in grades 3-12 in all levels of math.

Sessions will take place online on Saturdays in October and November from 9 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

## **INFORMATION WORTH REPEATING**

### **MAP ASSESSMENT**

From September 19<sup>th</sup> through October 7<sup>th</sup> our first through fifth graders will participate in MAP® Growth™ testing from NWEA®. Your child will be assessed in reading and math. MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth. Teachers use results to tailor classroom lessons and set goals for students. MAP Growth tests are unique, and it adapts to your child's responses to measure your child's skill level. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. These results will provide a more complete picture of what your child knows and is ready to learn—whether it is on, above, or below their grade level. For more information about MAP Growth, visit

<https://www.nwea.org/the-map-suite/family-toolkit/>.

# NEWS FROM THE PTA



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## **PTA Meeting Notes**

Thank you to those who were able to join us on Wednesday night, September 21, for a very productive first PTA meeting! I apologize for the mix-up in the links and if you had trouble logging on. I must have copied the mobile passcode to the Wildcat Press and the computer passcode to the Facebook Page. I will make sure to do better and triple-check next time and hopefully, it will be easier for everyone to join!

A few high-level points from the meeting:

- We voted on and approved the budget for this year that the board worked on over the summer
- We voted on and approved having a Fall Festival and for the PTA to provide a \$300 budget as asked for by that committee
- Back to school party - we have 2 inflatable obstacle courses but will need volunteers to help man it, 2 food trucks, and Kona Ice, the same DJ as the spring. Some games from last time.
- Spirit wear sale slated to kick-off the first week of Oct.
- Membership is going ok, all PTA members and parents should sign up for membership so they can vote at meetings and it will help the PTA's bottom-line.
- We went over a PTA initiatives doc which outlines dates for events for the year and potential events
- Mrs. Jenkins spoke briefly about the School Improvement Plan and will present it at a future PTA meeting

As always, reach out if you would like more details on any of these points.

-Kristie Callander, PTA President

**Back to School Party: 9/30 from 5:15pm - 7:15pm on the Blacktop!**

We are very excited for the Back to School Party coming up next week! Come celebrate with us and your friends!

For dinner we have Antojitos Express and Bennett's Grill food trucks! Kona Ice will also be there serving up the kids favorite!

We will have the games out that the students enjoyed in the past and this year the PTA has rented out 2 inflatable obstacle courses! We need volunteers to control the crowd and make sure everyone is playing safely at the inflatables and to help the kids with the games. Please help if you can so we can make this a fun event for all!



Volunteer sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70AOC4EA5A62FAAFA7-woes4>

Bennett's Grill Food Truck will be serving Jamaican food along with kids favorites such as hot dogs, etc: <https://www.yelp.com/biz/bennett-5-star-grill-clarksville>

Antojitos Express Food Truck will be serving Mexican food along with American favorites such as chicken fingers, fries, etc.:

Steamed Shrimp		
Buffalo Chicken Wrap		
Chicken Avocado Wrap		
Birria Burrito		
Cheese Steak		
Chicken Philly		
Cheese Burger		
Crab Cake Sandwich		
Wing's: BBQ, Buffalo, Old Bay, Honey Old Bay or Honey Sriracha		



Pupusas: Cheese, Bean, Pork or Loroco

Pollo Con Tajadas

Carne Asada

Pollo Ala Plancha

Shrimp Fra Diablo

Fajita's: Chicken, Steak, Shrimp or Mix

Taco's: Chicken, Steak or Fish

Torta's: Chicken, Steak, Shrimp, Tongue or Birria

Quesadilla's: Chicken, Steak, Shrimp or Birria



Steak burrito

Chicken burrito

Shrimp burrito

Cali burrito

Veggie burrito

Seafood platter



### PTA Membership

Thank you to those who have signed up so far! Your support by becoming a member means a lot to us! For every \$10 membership, \$4.25 has to be paid to the State and National PTA, so if you have the means to donate extra to support our efforts this year, we would really appreciate it! Any extra donation goes directly back to the WoES PTA! You can join and donate in 2 simple steps by going here:

<https://www.worthingtonpta.com/join-pta-and-donate?fbclid=IwAR2h-qrv-8CRxgj6anuZo-ClorOvQIYizlomARoFZ8vEAEJ49LWKWcQ7YFE>

### Coalfire Restaurant Night Fundraiser on October 3!

Take a night off from preparing dinner and doing the dishes to join the Worthington PTA as we celebrate our first Restaurant Night of the school year! Join us at Coalfire in Shipley's Grant on Monday, October 3rd between 11:30 am and 9:00 pm. Don't forget to show the flyer (sent home in Friday Folder) or mention Worthington Elementary at checkout. Thank you for your support!



**COAL FIRE**

(410) 480-2625 | 5725 Richards Valley Rd, Ellicott City, MD 21043  
LOCATED IN SHIPLEY'S GRANT  
[www.coalfireonline.com](http://www.coalfireonline.com)

Bring in this flyer or present via smartphone

**Monday, October 3, 2022**

**11:30 AM- 9:00 PM**

& 20% of all generated dine in, carry out  
and catering sales will go directly to:

**"Worthington Elementary School PTA"**

*\*Not valid with happy hour or any other promotion\**

### Fall Festival

Save the date for Friday, October 28 (Rain date Oct 30) for the Worthington PTA Fall Festival at 6pm. The Fall Festival will include games and will close out with a Trunk or Treat for those that want to participate. More details will be coming out soon and a signup if you want to decorate your trunk.





## COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Hello Mt. Hebron High School Community,

**We are excited to announce that Mt. Hebron's Annual Homecoming Pancake Breakfast is just around the corner!**

Please join us on Saturday, October 8th from 7:30am - 10:30am for breakfast in front of the school as we kick off an exciting day of Homecoming events celebrating our Viking Football, Marching Band, Cheer, and Lancer Programs.

Tickets will be \$8 in advance, or \$10 at the door. Children 5 and under are free.

Here is the link to purchase tickets in advance. Please be sure to put your name in the Purchase Notes section: <https://osp.osmsinc.com/p/DA010-441>

If you are interested in helping out with this event, please see the Sign Up Genius link below.

[MHHS Football Team: MHHS Pancake Breakfast \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)

If you are interested in helping out, but can't donate your time, we will graciously accept financial donations as this is an extremely important fundraiser for the football program. Donation checks should be made out to MHHS - Football Program.

Thank you for your support of Mt. Hebron Football Program

GO VIKINGS!!!

All student musicians in grades 5 - 8 who will attend Mt. Hebron High School are invited to join the Mt. Hebron Marching Unit (MtHMU) on Friday, September 23. Our Future Vikings event is a fun evening under the stadium lights as our Hebron football team takes on the Hawks of River Hill. Students will pair up with a high school musician and march onto the field for our pre-game show. Students will then join the band in the stands as we cheer on our Vikings. Students will also get a front row seat to see and hear our halftime performance featuring the music of Cirque du Soleil. After halftime, students can visit the concession stand for a quick snack before returning to the stand for the second half. After the game is done, students will march out of the stadium with the band and back to the band room. I hope you will join us for this awesome Mt. Hebron tradition.

**WHO:** Musicians in grades 5 - 8 who will attend Mt. Hebron HS

**WHAT:** Future Vikings Night!

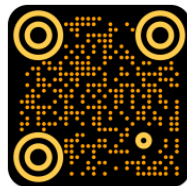
**WHERE:** Mt. Hebron High School

(Students should report to the band room (room 133) upon arrival.)

**WHEN:** Friday, September 23 (Report Time - 6:00pm)

\*Kick-off is 7:00pm and the game is usually over by 9:00pm

**COST:** There is no cost for students to participate, but don't forget to bring \$\$ to get a snack from our concession stand. ...and register below so you can get a free Future Vikings t-shirt.



Scan the QR Code  
to register