

# 2017-2018 Scheduled Events

## August

- 7<sup>th</sup> - New Teacher In-Service
- 14<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup>- All Staff Professional Development
- 14<sup>th</sup>- Middle School/ High School Back-to-School Night: 6-8 pm
- 15<sup>th</sup>- Elementary Back-to-School Night 6:00 PM
- 17<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> day of school 8:00 am
- 19<sup>th</sup>- Booster Club Golf Tournament
- 30<sup>th</sup>- School Pictures

## September

- 1<sup>st</sup> - MAP/EOC recognition night during halftime of football game
- 20<sup>th</sup>- Homecoming Pep Rally 7:00, Bonfire
- 22<sup>nd</sup>- Homecoming Football game 7:00
- 23<sup>rd</sup>- Homecoming dance (grades 9-12) 9:00-11:00
- 30<sup>th</sup>- Fair parade with school entries.

## October

- 5<sup>th</sup>- Senior Night Volleyball
- 10<sup>th</sup> - National Honor Society Induction - 7:00 p.m.
- 13<sup>th</sup> - Little cheer night & Senior football night
- 19<sup>th</sup> - Parent teacher conferences

## November

- 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>- HS Play- 7:00 and 5:00
- 10<sup>th</sup>- Veterans Assembly 10:00

## December

- 14<sup>th</sup>- High school band and choir winter music concert 6:30 pm

## January

- 15<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> WN Invitational Basketball Tournament

## February

- 15<sup>th</sup>- Senior Night Basketball

## March

- 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> - Senior Trip
- 24<sup>th</sup> - PTO Carnival
- 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> -FCCLA and FFA Spring Fling- TBD

## April

- 14<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup> - High School Play 7pm and 5pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> - Mr. WN- TBD
- 18<sup>th</sup> - ACT testing day for all Juniors- TBD
- 21<sup>st</sup>- High school Prom
- 29<sup>th</sup>- FFA Banquet
- 11<sup>th</sup>- May 11<sup>th</sup>- MS/ HS MAP and EOC Testing

## May

- 4<sup>th</sup> - Seniors last day
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Baccalaureate- 7:00
- 6<sup>th</sup> - Graduation- 5:00
- 8<sup>th</sup> - Senior awards and scholarship banquet 6pm
- 15<sup>th</sup>- Last day of school unless snow day make ups

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# 2017-18

Wellington  
-Napoleon  
School  
District

# TigerTimes



## What's in this Issue?

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## School Hours

K-12 Student Hours:  
8:00am—3:15pm

Student Arrival:  
7:45am-8:00am  
Bus Drop Off 7:45am  
Breakfast 7:45am - 8:00am  
Dismissal from Gym 7:55am  
Tardy Bell 8:00am  
Dismissal 3:15pm

Teachers: 7:45am-3:30pm  
Office Hours:  
7:30am-3:45pm

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**Building the Future...One Tiger at a Time**  
W-N Classes Start on August 17th

### Back-to-School Nights...

\***Elementary:** August 15<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

\***Middle School / High School:**  
August 14th

Middle School: 6:00 pm—7:00 pm

High School: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

Seniors: 5:30 pm composite pictures  
in the small gym

\*More details for Back-to-School  
Nights on school pages

### **REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:**

**A child must be five (5) years old before August 1, 2017 to enroll in Wellington-Napoleon R-IX Schools. No student will be allowed to enter school without updated immunizations in accordance with Missouri state laws. Student fees or fines owed from the previous school year must be paid prior to enrollment. Secondary students participating in athletics must have a completed physical form on file before participation will be allowed. Each school office has forms available. All students new to the District are required, at the time of registration, to provide the following information:**

- **Updated immunization records**
- **Birth certificate**
- **Proof of residency**
- **Previous school's name, address, and telephone number**
- **Any school records at home**
- **Current address and telephone number, as well as work telephone numbers of parents and other emergency information.**

**Enrollment forms are available in the high school and elementary offices.**



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Wellington-Napoleon

R-IX Schools

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### **SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM:**

**All meals will be on a pay before you eat basis. A la carte items may be purchased by the students if they have money in their accounts. The amount of each item will be deducted from the student's account. Any student who is unable financially to pay for school lunches should contact the principal for assistance.**

**MEAL PRICES:**  
**BREAKFAST: K-12**  
**\$1.55, ADULT \$2.05,**  
**LUNCH: K-5 \$2.05,**  
**6-12 \$2.30,**  
**ADULT \$2.80**

## Wellington-Napoleon R-IX Staff

### Central Office

Superintendent: Mindy Hampton  
Administrative Assistant: Elaine Burnett

### High School Office

Principal: Matt Hakes  
AD/A+/Asst. Principal: Todd Shannon  
Secretaries: Jennifer Paige, Kristin Holliday

### Elementary Office

Principal: Justin Mefferd  
Secretary: Linda Varner

### Director of Special Services

Trevor Howard

### Technology Director

Jim Schlichting

### Custodial Staff

Shane Zeysing, Maria Solis

### Kitchen Staff

Amy Soendker, Debbie Wallace  
Karla Barnett, Wanda Grechus

### Nurse

Terrie Schuster

### Elementary Staff

Preschool: Nicole Petet, Paula Nowak  
Kindergarten: Tina Niendick, Sherri Collins  
1<sup>st</sup> grade: Heather Kirchoff, Heather Layman  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade: Mindy Eriksen, Christine Harris  
3<sup>rd</sup> grade: Laura Beckemeyer, Amanda Ronkoski  
4<sup>th</sup> grade: Heather Jones, Alicia Gillespie  
5<sup>th</sup> grade: Tristan Layman, Tanja Kubis  
Title I: Amanda Goble  
Special Services: Ed Gooseman, Stacey Williamson  
Art: Erika Nowak  
PE: Michelle McKown  
Librarian: Amanda Travis

Library Assistant: Carol Hough

Music: Linley Tate  
Speech Pathologist: Allycen Burton  
Counselor: Mary Burkhart  
PAT Implementer: Taylor Gussman

### Middle/High School Staff

Math: Quenton Bainbridge, Lincoln Bainbridge, Tristan Layman  
Science: Penny Schumaker, Ryan Burton, Tristan Layman  
Social Studies: Bill Hughes, Ashley McClain, Tristan Layman  
English: David Hunter, Jamie Wieligman, Whitney Bachman  
Business: Brent Zweifel  
Physical Education: Andy Hampton, Michelle McKown  
Art: Erika Nowak  
Music: Derek Twombly, Linley Tate  
Family & Consumer Science: Donna Fahrmeier  
Vocational Agriculture: Devin Garland  
Special Services: Carrie Cunningham, Pete O'Keefe, Pauline Moyer  
Counselor: Jobie Shannon

To contact any staff member via email, type in their first initial and last name followed by @wntigers.net (example: mhampton@wntigers.net)



The District has purchased solar eclipse glasses for all students and we plan to celebrate this rare event as a school community while incorporating fun and learning!



Student spirit wear shirts will go on sale for \$25. Every student (K-12) wearing the shirt to home athletic events will get free entry. Be on the lookout for when they are available!

August 2017				
M	T	W	Th	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	

September 2017				
M	T	W	Th	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14 (M)	15 (T)
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29 (T)

October 2017				
	T	W	Th	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13 (Q)
16	17	18	19 (T-P/T)	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

November 2017				
M	T	W	Th	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14 (M)	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

December 2017				
M	T	W	Th	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15 (Q)
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

January 2018				
M	T	W	Th	F
1	2 (T)	3 (T)	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

February 2018				
M	T	W	Th	F
			1	2 (M)
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28		

March 2018				
M	T	W	Th	F
			1	2 (Q)
5	6	7	8	9 (T)
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

April 2018				
M	T	W	Th	F
				6 (M)
2	3	4	5	
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				

May 2018				
M	T	W	Th	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15 (B/Q)	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25

<b>T = Staff Inservice</b>	<b>No School/No Staff</b>
<b>(M) Mid-terms</b> – 9/14, 11/14, 2/2, 4/6	08/16
<b>(Q) End of quarters</b> - 1 <sup>st</sup> - 10/13, 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 12/15, 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 3/2, 4 <sup>th</sup> - 5/15	9/4 Labor Day
<b>! Make-up dates</b> –(in order) 5/16, 5/17, 5/18, 05/21, 05/22	10/20
<b>Final Copy of Calendar 01/25/2017</b>	11/22-11/24 Thanksgiving Break
<b>(P/T) Parent/Teacher Conferences</b>	12/18-1/1 Winter Break
10/19 11:00 am – 7:00 pm	1/15- Martin Luther King Day
<b>No School/ Staff days-</b>	2/19 President's Day
8/14, 8/15, 9/15, 9/29, 10/19, 1/2, 1/3, 3/9	3/26-3/30 Easter Break
<b>12:00 Dismissal Days</b>	5/6 Graduation
12/15 Christmas Break	
5/15 Last Day of School	
Staff Days – 173 Student Days – 165	

# Contacts and Communications

Providing our students, parents, and community with relevant and up-to-date information is a goal of our school district. Please do not hesitate to contact us with questions, concerns, and even suggestions on how we can better communicate with you! Below you will find various contacts and ways to find timely updates and information.

## OFFICE HOURS AND CONTACTS

### ELEMENTARY

Justin Mefferd- Principal    jmefferd@wntigers.net  
Linda Varner- Secretary    lvarner@wntigers.net  
Phone                            816-240-2621  
Fax                                816-934-8649  
Office Hours                    7:30-3:45 M-F

### HIGH SCHOOL

Matt Hakes- Principal        mhakes@wntigers.net  
Kristin Holliday- Secretary   kholliday@wntigers.net  
Jennifer Paige- Secretary    jpaige@wntigers.net  
Phone                            816-240-2621  
Fax                                816-934-8649  
Office Hours                    7:30-3:45 M-F

### CENTRAL OFFICE

Mindy Hampton - Superintendent    mhampton@wntigers.net  
Elaine Burnett- Admin. Asst.        eburnett@wntigers.net  
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Office Hours                    8:00-4:00 M-F

District Website: [www.wntigers.net](http://www.wntigers.net)

## Notification Method for Inclement Weather

The Wellington-Napoleon R-IX School District offers the following methods to access information regarding school closings or cancellations.

### Sign up for Tiger Text Alerts

This is the fastest method of receiving school closing information. To sign up for the Tiger Text Alerts or to update your information, visit our website [www.wntigers.net](http://www.wntigers.net) and click TIGER TEXT.

Check the Web page [www.wntigers.net](http://www.wntigers.net)

Check the W-N Facebook page

### Listen to the Radio Or Television

The following radio stations and television channels may be accessed for school closing information.

KMZU 100.7 CARROLLTON  
KMMO 1300 102.9 MARSHALL  
KMBZ 980 KANSAS CITY

KMBC CHANNEL 9  
KCTV CHANNEL 5  
WDAF CHANNEL 4

## Resources Available to families under a financial hardship

**Free or Reduced Breakfast and Lunch Program:** If your family meets the financial guidelines set by the state, your child may be eligible to receive free or reduced breakfast and lunches. The guidelines are based on family income and the total number of people living in your household (family members or not).

- Once eligible for this program, that eligibility is good for the remainder of that school year and the first 30 school days of the following year.
- If your application has been denied, but your family income status or the number of people in the household changes, a new application can be, and is encouraged to be filled out.
- Anyone receiving government assistance, in foster care or under homeless status (as determined by the school district) is automatically eligible for the free breakfast and lunch program.

**Health insurance for kids:** MO HealthNet for Kids (formerly MC+ for Kids) is a low-cost or free health insurance for children. It is based on family income and household size. For more information call 1-888-275-5908. Your children may be eligible if they meet the following requirements:

- Family's income falls within the eligibility guidelines
- Child is without insurance for a minimum of 30 days

Applications for each option are available at your request and are provided to each child. If you have any questions or need additional applications, please contact:

**Kristin Holliday- Food Service Secretary**  
[kholliday@wntigers.net](mailto:kholliday@wntigers.net) or 816-240-2621 ext. 251

# An update from the W-N R-IX Superintendent of Schools



Dear Parents and Patrons,

Bright and early on Thursday, August 17, the yellow buses will roll, the school bells will ring, and more than 420 students in pre-kindergarten through high school will return to class for the 2017-2018 academic year.

The beginning of school is an exciting time not only for our students and parents, but also for the District's 61 employees. We have many enhancements to be proud of in our school. Every student, grades 1-12, will have Chrome-books in each classroom and kindergarteners will have iPads to integrate technology into classroom instruction. We have an entire new bell and intercom system, as well as updated exterior and interior security cameras. The gym floor has been refinished, walls are painted, and hallway floors waxed and shining brightly. The building is ready to be filled with our Tiger Family.

With the new year getting underway, we invite parents and patrons to learn more about our school by visiting the District website, [www.wntigers.net](http://www.wntigers.net). We also encourage you to download the Wellington-Napoleon Tiger mobile app, connect with us on Facebook and Twitter, and sign up for Tigertext to receive the latest school news and information. Parents should all have an account with parent portal, which allows you to view your child's grades, attendance, lunch accounts, and more. New this year, you can pay for lunch accounts online through the parent portal.

Without question, there are many reasons to be proud of Wellington-Napoleon Schools. Our students continue to excel in every arena: in the classroom, on the athletic field, in the performing arts, and through extracurricular activities. Our employees are highly qualified professionals who care deeply about the success of children, and the tremendous support from our parents, volunteers, and community partners make our school even better.

Everyone in our school family is looking forward to the 2017-2018 academic year with enthusiasm and optimism. The Board of Education joins me in extending best wishes to all students, parents, and employees for a productive school year filled with many excellent opportunities. Working together, we will continue to inspire success and a lifetime of learning.

As always, the administrators and I want to know your concerns or praises. Please call, email, or stop in for a visit to share your views on our school, staff, and students. We want to hear from you first!

Yours in Education,

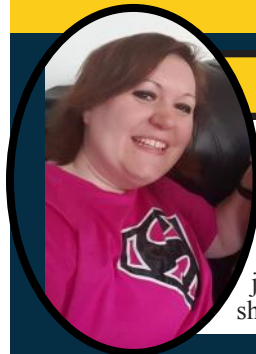
*Mindy Hampton*

Mindy Hampton  
Superintendent of Schools

NEW GYM  
FLOOR



# WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS TO OUR



## Carrie Cunningham—Middle/High School Special Teacher

Carrie Cunningham is a 2007 graduate of University of Central Missouri. She double majored in Early Childhood and Elementary Education. In 2009, she earned her certification in Special Education and started working for the Richmond RXVI School District, teaching high school special education. She has 7 years teaching experience and recently bought a house and moved to Wellington with her husband of 4 years and their very spoiled English Bulldog named Bella. In her free time, she goes to the dirt track to support her race car driving husband. She also enjoys reading, shopping and spending time with family. This is her first year teaching at Wellington-Napoleon and she's very excited to be here.

## Donna Fahrmeier—Family and Consumer Science Teacher

Donna Fahrmeier graduated from the College of the Ozarks in Branson with a Bachelor of Science degree in Vocational Home Economics Education. She worked for 9 years as a nutritionist with the Dairy Council in south Missouri. Donna also worked as a supervisor for Vocational programs at the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education for 2 years. She was most recently employed by the Lexington School District as a Title 1 Math and Reading Interventionist. Donna is married to Lynn Fahrmeier and they reside on a farm outside Wellington with their children, Samuel, a sophomore at the University of Missouri-Columbia and daughter, Elizabeth, a senior at WN. Donna is excited to teach Family and Consumer Sciences to the students at WN.



## Kristin Holliday—Middle/High School Secretary

Kristin Holliday is a graduate of MCC-Blue River in Independence, MO. Since completing her Associates degree in 2007, she has worked as a substitute teacher in Fort Osage, Oak Grove, Grain Valley, Lexington and Wellington. In the last 7 school years that she has worked at W-N as a sub, she has worked in nearly every classroom with every student. Kristin and her husband Joe along with their 3 children; Shelby(15), Wyatt (7), Morgan(4), are residents of Napoleon, Mo. where they have lived for the last 6 years. Although she will miss being in a different classroom every day and working closely with the kids, she is excited to transition into the high school secretary position.



## Trevor Howard—Director of Special Services

Trevor Howard is honored to be joining the Wellington-Napoleon family this year as the K-12 Special Education Coordinator. Prior to coming to Wellington-Napoleon, he served as a 9-12 Special Education teacher at Oak Grove High School. During his eight year tenure at Oak Grove, he helped coach as an assistant Varsity football coach, middle school football coach and middle school basketball coach. Trevor received his Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education from Missouri Valley College (2009) and his Master in School Administration and Education from William Woods University (2014). His love for Special Education began in the K-2 Kindergarten classroom at Lone Jack Primary School in 2009. After serving his first year in the field as a paraprofessional, Trevor then went on to earn his certification in K-12 Mild/Moderate Cross Categorical Education to continue in the Special Education realm. He looks forward to supporting and aiding the students and parents of Wellington-Napoleon to the fullest of his capabilities this year and in the years to come. Trevor currently resides in Oak Grove with his wife, Megan, and their three children: Cy (7), Addy (4), and Maya (2). They enjoy long car rides to new places and adventures, eating great food, watching and playing sports together as a family and being active participants at New Life church in Oak Grove.



## Pete O'Keefe—Middle/High School Paraprofessional

Pete O'Keefe graduated from Luther Burbank High School and Sacramento City College in California. He retired from the California Department of Justice after 31 years. He worked 6 years as a Para/Youth Companion at South Middle School in Nampa, Idaho. He worked the last 7 years as a Para for the Odessa School District. Pete has coached baseball, softball, basketball, and was active in his kids' 4-H projects. Pete and his wife, Cheryl, reside in Lafayette County. They have 3 adult children and 4 grandsons, the youngest of whom is Joey McGee, now a 5th grader at WN.



# TIGER ATHLETIC NEWS



High School Fall Practices began July 31<sup>st</sup>

Middle School Fall Practices begin August 14<sup>th</sup>

## WNHS Volleyball Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Opponent	Level
8/16	400 PM	Away	Jamboree (@Lex.)	V
8/21	430 PM	Away	Lexington	C/JV/V
8/24	430 PM	Home	Carrollton	C/JV/V
8/29	430 PM	Home	Concordia	C/JV/V
8/31	430 PM	Home	Odessa	C/JV/V
9/5	430 PM	Home	Oak Grove	C/JV/V
9/7	430 PM	Away	Richmond	C/JV/V
9/9	TBA	Away	Lathrop Tourney	V
9/12	430 PM	Home	Sweet Springs	C/JV/V
9/19	530 PM	Home	Santa Fe	JV/V
9/21	430 PM	Away	Orrick	MS/JV/V
9/26	430 PM	Away	Lone Jack	C/JV/V
9/28	430 PM	Away	Crest Ridge	C/JV/V
9/30	TBA	Away	I-70 Conf. Tourney (@LJ)	V
10/2	500 PM	Away	Lathrop	C/JV/V
10/3	430 PM	Away	St. Paul	C/JV/V
10/5	530 PM	Home	Kingsville	JV/V
10/7	800 AM	Away	Tourney @ Lexington	V
10/9	500 PM	Away	Summit Christian	JV/V
10/12	430 PM	Away	Lutheran (Kansas City)	C/JV/V
10/16	TBA	TBA	Districts	V
10/21	TBA	TBA	Sectionals/Quarterfinals	V
10/27	TBA	Away	MSHSAA Championships	V

## WNHS Varsity Football Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Opponent
8/11	TBA	TBA	FB Jamboree
8/18	7:00 PM	Away	Lone Jack
8/25	7:00 PM	Home	West Platte
9/1	7:00 PM	Home	Santa Fe
9/8	7:00 PM	Away	Lexington
9/15	7:00 PM	Away	Crest Ridge
9/22	7:00 PM	Home	Concordia
9/29	7:00 PM	Away	St. Paul
10/6	7:00 PM	Away	Orrick
10/13	7:00 PM	Home	Sweet Springs
10/20	7:00 PM	TBD	Districts
10/27	7:00 PM	TBD	Districts
11/3	7:00 PM	TBD	Districts
11/11	1:30 PM	TBD	Quarterfinals
11/18	1:30 PM	TBD	Semifinals
11/24	TBD	Springfield	Show-Me Bowl

## SPORT PASSES:

Individual \$50, Family \$150

\*Patrons must present their pass

at the admission gate\*

(Available in the High School Office)

## Admission Cost:

Varsity—\$4 per adult, \$3 per child

JV and Middle School Only—\$3

per adult, \$2 per child

**\*EVERY Athlete must have an UPDATED PHYSICAL and INSURANCE before they can begin practice. Physical forms can be picked up in the High School Office. Physical forms are also available on the District website under Activities -Athletics Forms.**

***SEE INFO (pg. 2) ON THE STUDENT SPIRIT SHIRT FOR FREE ENTRY!!!***

## COACHES FOR 2017-

### 18 SCHOOL YEAR:

**Football**—Quenton Bainbridge, Head Coach; Andy Hampton, Asst. Coach; Lincoln Bainbridge, Asst. Coach; Tristan Layman, Asst. Coach; Shane Zeysing Asst. Coach

**Volleyball**—Derek Twombly, Head Coach; Linley Tate, Asst. Coach; Ashley McClain, Middle School

**Cheer**—Amanda Travis & Ashley McClain, High School; Erika Nowak Middle School

**Boys Basketball**—Todd Shannon, Head Coach; Bill Hughes, Asst. Coach; David Hunter, Middle School

**Girls Basketball**—Andy Hampton, Head Coach; Jobie Shannon, Asst. Coach; Jim Schlichting, Middle School

**Baseball**—Ryan Burton, Head Coach; Jim Schlichting, Asst. Coach

**Softball**—Lincoln Bainbridge, Head Coach; Linley Tate, Asst. Coach

**Track**—Quenton Bainbridge, Head Coach; Michelle Mckown, Asst. Coach; Tristan Layman, Middle School

**Athletic Director: Todd Shannon Ph. 816-240-2621 [tshannon@wntigers.net](mailto:tshannon@wntigers.net)**

# News from Special Services

Wellington-Napoleon schools offer a variety of Special Programs to meet the needs of all students. Each program is designed to ensure students are successful in their academic achievements. The following programs are offered:

**Special Education:**

Wellington-Napoleon School District provides a free, appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment to all eligible children with disabilities between the ages of three to 21. Disabilities include:

- Autism
- Deaf/blindness
- Emotional Disorders
- Hearing impairments and deafness
- Mental retardation-Intellectual Disabilities
- Multiple disabilities
- Orthopedic impairment
- Other health impairments
- Specific learning disabilities
- Speech or language impairment
- Traumatic brain injury
- Visual impairment/blindness
- Young child with developmental delay

For children ages 3 - 5 , the Early Childhood Special Education program offers similar services for kids demonstrating disabilities or significant developmental delays. The Early Childhood students may be transported to Lexington and attend the Lexington Early Childhood Center. For K-12 students, appropriate services are offered in regular and special education settings.

The related services of speech and language therapies, occupational therapy, and physical therapy are also provided as needed.

Parents who believe a disability may be the basis for the problems with their child's school progress can contact **Trevor Howard Director of Special Services**, thoward@wntigers.net.

**504 Accommodation plans:**

Wellington-Napoleon schools follow Section 504, which is a Civil Rights Law (not a special education law) that protects the rights of individuals with disabilities in programs and activities that receive federal financial assistance. This law requires the district provide written assurances of non-discrimination, designate a district level 504 Coordinator, provide non-discrimination notice to students and parents, identify and locate qualified children with disabilities, and provide parents or guardians with procedural safeguards and grievance procedures. The definition of a disability under Section 504 is broadly expressed as a physical or mental condition that substantially limits one or more major life activity.

For more information on Section 504 please contact **Jobie Shannon** at the high school, jshannon@wntigers.net or **Mary Burkhart** at the elementary, mburkhart@wntigers.net

**Parents as Teachers:**

Parents As Teachers is free of charge to all families with children ages birth to five years. During home visits parents receive ideas for activities to do with their children as well as information about language, intellectual, social and motor development. Vision, hearing and developmental screenings are part of the home visit for children under three. Screenings for children 3 to 5 are held at school in April.

Evening meetings on various topics, including nutrition and reading, are held periodically throughout the school year.

For more information about Parents As Teachers contact: **Taylor Gussman, Parents as Teachers Implementer** tgussman@wntigers.net 816-240-2621 ext. 121.

**Title I Reading/Math:**

Title I is a federally funded program under Every Student Succeeds Act that provides assistance in the area of communication arts/reading/math. This program is designed to identify a child not meeting Missouri's Learning Standards and to provide interventions to assist the child in reaching standards in ways such as providing small group instruction, monitoring progress and working with the child's classroom teacher to provide recommendations. To see if your child meets the qualifications or other questions about the program, please contact: **Trevor Howard, Director**, thoward@wntigers.net or 816-240-2621 ext. 253 To obtain information regarding the Federal Programs complaint process please refer to the district web site or Central Office.

# W-N DYNASTY FOR 17-18



**Shane Zeysing—District Maintenance Director**

Shane Zeysing joined our Tiger team in October of 2016 as our Maintenance Director. Shane is a 1997 graduate of Wellington-Napoleon and has earned a Bachelor in Multidisciplinary studies from Grantham University. Shane joined the National Guard from 1999-2016 where he served 2 Iraq tours before his retirement. Shane belongs to the Lexington VFW and Wellington American Legion. He and his wife Dana reside in Wellington with their 3 children, Colton (16), Macie (10), and Rowan (2).

**Brent Zweifel—Middle/High School Business Teacher**



Brent Zweifel was born and raised in Linn, Missouri. He graduated from the University of Central Missouri with a degree in Business Education in 2004. He then worked for the Excelsior Springs School District as a K-5 Grade Computer Teacher. He earned his Masters of Educational Technology Degree from MidAmerica Nazarene University in 2007. In the fall of that year, he joined Wentworth Military Academy & College as the Computer Teacher for the high school. The following school year he was hired as the Computer Instructor for the college. In the summer of 2009, he was assigned the additional duties of being the Online Program Coordinator. Five years later, he was promoted as the Director of Distance Learning. This is Brent's first year in the Wellington-Napoleon School District. He has been married to his wife, Ashley, for 13 years and they have two children Daniel (7) and Juliann (4).

# Parent Information

**Transportation:**

- Apple Bus Company provides transportation to the W-N R-IX School District. Bus Routes can be picked up on our Back-to-School Nights or in school offices. Contact Gaylene Seitz at 660-232-6537 for bus route information/changes. You can also contact your school office with questions or concerns.

**SIS Parent Link:**

- SIS (Student Information Systems) is available in the Wellington-Napoleon R-IX School District. The parent link will provide web access regarding a student's progress in school. SIS parent link will offer secure up-to-date information on assignments, attendance, discipline, grades, and lunch account balances. The link to Parent Portal can be found on the District website.

**Tiger Text:** Tiger Text is accessible on the District Website ([WWW.WNTIGERS.NET](http://WWW.WNTIGERS.NET))

- Students, parents, and community members can sign up for text message notifications from W-N. Groups are in place so you can get the desire information you want. There is no sign up fee, however, standard texting fees assessed by your wireless provider may apply. Your name and person information are protected and will remain private. If you have any questions or concerns, please call 816-240-2621.



**W-N R-IX 2017-18 School Board**

(from L to R): Amy Legate, Vice President: Anthony Mitchell, Treasurer: Kim Southard, Shane Weedman, President: David Twente, Rheanna Todd, Cheryl Dickey

**W-N School Board**

# Elementary News

To Students, Parents, and Patrons:

I am so excited to start my third year as Principal at Wellington-Napoleon R-9 Elementary!

Over the years as a teacher, coach, and administrator it's always been my priority to meet the students needs in the best way I can, and as your Principal I fully intend to do that. One new way that is happening this year is with the addition of a sensory room. This room will be used as needed for students who are struggling to have success within the classroom. A variety of sensory activities will be available to allow the student to focus and to return to class to have success. This classroom will be available as soon as we are able to get it set up and all of the activities are purchased.

In the back of the handbook, you will find a "Partners in Education" pledge that details what we can all do in order for our students to achieve the success. Please take the time to read this information and sign.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Back-To-School Night on August 15th. We'll start in the high school gymnasium at 6:00pm.

Let's have a great school year, and it's always a great day to be a tiger!

Respectfully,

Justin L. Mefferd  
WNES Principal

### **Elementary Back-to-School Night**

August 15th 6:00pm - 7:30pm  
6:00pm - Meet The Staff/Principal - High School Gymnasium  
6:20-7:30pm - Visit Classrooms and Teachers, drop off school supplies

### **Preschool Parent Night**

August 15th 5:30pm - 6:00pm  
Families are invited to attend a Preschool informational meeting.

### **Kindergarten Parent Meeting**

August 22nd 7:00pm At least one parent needs to attend, but all are encouraged.

**\*\*All students participating in the preschool program will need to be enrolled, even if they are returning students  
\*\*The preschool class will be limited to a maximum of 20 students and the administration and staff will determine which students are accepted based on student and family needs.**

School supply lists can be found at area Wal-Marts, W-N Facebook page, W-N website, and copies are in both school offices.

# Middle School & High School

Welcome to the 2017 / 2018 school year.

I want to welcome students, parents, and patrons back to another school year here at WN. Another summer has come and gone and I hope that you have found the time to spend with family and relax. In the short time that I have been a part of the WN school community I have witnessed first hand that WN is truly a family environment. One definition of family is a group of people who share common attitudes, interests, or goals. I believe that we all share the same attitudes, interests and goals concerning our school and that is the continuation of the WN Dynasty. This means that we unconditionally support our students in their academic and athletic endeavors. With that said, please make plans to attend the Back-to-School events that are scheduled on 8/14 from 6-8pm. This is a great opportunity to meet with teachers, coaches, and administrators. Also, you will be provided with the information that is needed to make it a great school year. Once again, welcome back and I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at the Back-to-School Night.

Matt Hakes  
Middle/ High School Principal  
Wellington-Napoleon R-IX School District  
mhakes@wntigers.net

### **Middle School Bell Schedule**

1<sup>st</sup> Hour 8:00-8:56  
2<sup>nd</sup> Hour 8:59-9:52  
3<sup>rd</sup> Hour 9:55-10:48  
4<sup>th</sup> Hour 10:51-11:44  
5<sup>th</sup> Hour 11:47-12:58  
Lunch 11:47-12:05  
6<sup>th</sup> Hour 1:01-1:54  
7<sup>th</sup> Hour 1:57-2:50  
Pride Time 2:53-3:15

### **High School Bell Schedule**

1<sup>st</sup> Hour 8:00-8:53  
2<sup>nd</sup> Hour 8:56-9:49  
3<sup>rd</sup> Hour 9:52-10:45  
4<sup>th</sup> Hour 10:48-11:41  
5<sup>th</sup> Hour 11:44-12:55  
Lunch #1 12:19-12:37  
Lunch #2 12:37-12:55  
6<sup>th</sup> Hour 12:58-1:51  
7<sup>th</sup> Hour 1:54-2:50  
Pride Time 2:53-3:15

### **Middle School / High School Back-to-School Night**

**Monday, August 14th**

Meet the new teachers and turn in paperwork that was mailed home in order to receive schedules/locker assignment/bus routes.

#### Middle School

- 6:00-6:15- Greeting from Mr. Hakes and changes to the handbook
- 6:15-7:00- Turn in paperwork, get your schedule, and tour the building

#### High School

- 7:00-7:15- Greeting from Mr. Hakes and changes to the handbook
  - 7:15-8:00- Turn in paperwork and get your schedule



## Kids 1st Foundation

FACTS ABOUT KIDS FIRST: Kids First was formed July 1, 2004 with an endowment of \$30,000 from the estate of Bernice Osthoff. Mrs. Osthoff was a career teacher in Wellington and surrounding area school districts. Kids First Education Foundation of Wellington & Napoleon is approved by the IRS as a public, non-profit Federal Tax Exempt 501 C-3 Organization. Kids First is incorporated under the State of MO as a public non-profit charity and has tax exemption status also from the State of Missouri.

Operation of Kids First is done by a volunteer board from members of our community. Many items are donated during the course of a year to keep cost of promotions at a minimum. Fundraising events for Kids First are a Banquet and Auction in February, Walk-A-Thon in April, and a Gospel Sing in August.

Kids First appreciates very much the support of businesses and individuals of the community. We have also received several memorial gifts and special donations from families and individuals in the community. The Kids First Board uses funds to furnish scholarships, classroom grants, and dual enrollment scholarships to enhance the education experience of students in the Wellington-Napoleon School District. Selection of grant recipients is kept unbiased by a system where numbers instead of names are placed on scholarship applications during the selection process.

Kids First in 13 years has given 119 scholarships, 91 classroom grants, 113 dual enrollment grants, and District grants for a total of \$156,775.

# for your



## Zeysing Memorial

Kids First works hard to earn your respect and loyalty for how it handles the donations it receives and how that money is distributed to deserving students. Kids First appreciates your support very much!

## P.T.O.

The PTO Board supporting your elementary school for the next year:  
**President: Kendra Lee**      **Vice President: Sarah Gaddy**  
**Secretary: Theresa Scott**      **Treasurer: Holly Mefferd**  
Please take time to stop at the PTO table in the front lobby at Elementary Back-to-School night on August 15th and become a member. Your support helps make our school a wonderful place.

W-N PTO was able to provide the school with Google Chromebooks, One Book, One School reading program teacher appreciation lunches and gifts, Scholastic Readers, inflatables for the Reading Carnival, s'mores and water for Grandparents Night, two movie nights, the elementary carnival, Kids First teacher grants, and teacher/staff holiday appreciation gifts. Please be sure to get involved in your child's education; it truly makes a difference!

**PTO trash bag sales will start August 25<sup>th</sup> and end Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>.  
Pick up is Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The 1st PTO meeting is Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Library.**

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## Booster Club

The 6th annual Sandra Bodenhamer-Zeysing Memorial Golf Tournament was another huge success. With all the donations, teams, and volunteer labor, the family managed to raise \$8,800 to be donated to the Wellington-Napoleon R-IX School District. This year's proceeds brings them to a total of \$46,800 raised and donated since December 2011. Give yourself a hand!

Over the years, this money has been used to buy books, library furniture, display cabinets, laptops/e-readers. The school converted an unused, drab outside area into a very beautiful outdoor reading area complete with tables, benches, and beautiful landscaping all painted in school colors. It's called the Sandi Zeysing Memorial Reading Garden. This past year the money was spent on the track by adding runways, pole vault pit, shot-put and discus areas.

They plan on having the 7th annual event on June 29, 2018 at Shirkey Golf Course. They will be looking for 5-6 more teams, plus additional hole sponsors and donations for raffle prizes. None of this would be possible with your help, support, participation and generosity from the Bodenhamer-Zeysing families, THANK YOU!

The Booster Club promotes athletic participation and activities by providing support, raising funds, and purchasing needed supplies and equipment. We do this through membership dues, program advertisement sales, business sponsorships, and fundraisers.

Get Involved! After joining you will become a voting member of the club. Find the committee you are most interested in...fundraising, working an event, providing needed materials or supplies, or maybe you don't have the time, but can give a monetary donation. Applications to join can be found in school offices.

The booster club holds two fundraisers each year, the Golf Tournament in August and Trivia night in April. Teams are still being accepted for the August 19th golf tournament. All proceeds go to fulfill coaches wish lists to purchase equipment needed for every sport as well as fund the Donald L Jefferies memorial scholarships each year.

**Booster Club Golf Tournament—Aug 19th @ Shirkey Golf Club. Sign up in Central Office or visit the website to fill out an entry form.**