



THE CARDINAL NEWS

WILLOWS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

March 2019



Upcoming Events

March 6	PLC/Collaboration Day, Early Release 1:30pm
March 6	8 th Grade Parent Meeting 6:00pm, WIS Library
March 7	School Board Meeting – City Civic Center, 7:00pm
March 15	School Not in Session
March 18	School Not in Session
March 20	PLC/Collaboration Day, Early Release 1:30pm
March 22	End of 3 rd Quarter
March 27	Freshman Orientation Meeting for 8 th Graders & Parents, 6:00pm @ WHS
March 28	Spring Picture Day
March 29	Report Cards Home
March 30	School Not in Session

8th Grade Graduation Information

Graduation is just around the corner. As you begin your own preparation for the end of the year graduation activities, please know that **the earliest we can notify the 8th graders of their graduation status is WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 5th.** Recognizing this last minute notice makes it difficult for you to plan your own family celebrations; our recommendation is that, if there is any doubt in your child being able to graduate, you not invest a lot of money in clothing or a party.

Also, please know 8th graders will be measured for their graduation gowns this month. Please make sure your 8th grader is at school on that day.

Updated Library Webpage

Please visit our updated Library page on the WIS Website. Go to www.willowsunified.org/wis and look for the Library page that is under the Departments tab along the top.

There are many resources listed that are available for students, parents and teachers to include online state databases and useful website links.

Student Body Fundraiser – Magazine/Cookie Dough Sales

Our annual student body magazine subscription/cookie dough fund raiser began Wednesday, February 27th. It will “run” for 2 - 3 weeks. WIS students will be soliciting the community to purchase or renew magazine subscriptions as well as cookie dough. Please place your orders before Wednesday, February 20th, as that is the final turn-in day for the students. As the student body receives 40% of the total sales, we hope our parents and the community will support our program.

Yearbooks For Sale

Yearbooks past and present are for sale! This year’s 2018-19 current price is \$35. The price will go up to \$40 later in the school year. Reserve your copy now while supplies last! Only a certain amount are ordered from the yearbook company.

Yearbooks from years past are also for sale while supplies last. You may purchase 2018 for \$30, 2017 for \$25, 2016 for \$20 and 2015 and older for \$5.

3rd Quarter Report Cards

When we begin to talk about graduation, it means the school year is flying by and nearing the end. Please know that three-fourths of this school year is almost over. Friday, March 29th, report cards will be sent home with your children. With only one quarter remaining, please contact your child's teacher immediately should you have any questions or concerns regarding his/her promotion status.

Spring Picture Day

Spring Picture Day is March 27th. All students will have their picture taken and will be bringing their portrait packages home for parent approval. Parents need to examine the pictures along with the enclosed price list. After making a selection, students need to bring payment to their 1st period teacher and return all pictures not purchased. Please Note: As this is a one-time program no makeup provisions will be made.

Freshman Orientation for 8th Graders/High School Scheduling Information

On Wednesday and Thursday, March 20th and 21st, the 8th graders will be given their freshman year course selection sheet and a high school course description book. They will be provided information on graduation requirements, career pathways, and course selections for the fall of 2019.

To allow parents to hear the same information their students receive, the high school counseling office has scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, March 27th at 6:00pm in the Willows High School Cafeteria. Be sure to bring the course selection sheet and the course description book your student receives. Please spend some time with your 8th grader going over the courses they might take for the next year.

There will also be a discussion on 8th grade graduation, 8th grade class trip and graduation requirements.

If you are unable to attend this informational meeting and have questions concerning scheduling for next year, please feel free to call Amy Steele, WHS Counselor at 934-6611.

Immunization Requirement ~ Incoming 7th Graders

Parents: Please remember that all 6th graders will need to have a Tdap (pertussis) vaccine prior to July 1st for the 19-20 school year, per the new state law. Please bring or mail in your child's immunization record showing that the Tdap requirement is met, by May 1st. We regret that your child will not be able to start school for the 2019-2020 school year without meeting this new requirement. Contact your doctor to get the required vaccine or documentation. For more information contact Celeste Baker, school nurse, at 934-6640.