

DISTRICT COMMUNICATIONS

TeacherEase:

District-wide or Building-wide information (school closures, important information, activities and events District-wide) sent out by Superintendent or Principals. Please download the teacherease app from the google playstore or the apple app store.

Remind:

Classroom specific, club specific information sent out by the teacher, coach or sponsor. These specific Remind codes will be sent home with students for parents to join the class/activity.

Social Media:

Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube are used for important announcements that are also shared via TeacherEase, as well as fun celebrations of our students and staff.

Website (www.wntigers.net):

The website is layered and contains important documents, policies, and information for specific buildings and the overall District. You will find the District calendar, sports/activities calendar, specific sport schedules, School Board policies and financial documents, a link to the parent portal to check on student grades, attendance, lunch balances etc., staff directory, handbooks, and more. The website also converts into a mobile app (found in Apple or Google play stores) for cell phone compatibility and ease.

Text-Em-All: For District residents with no children attending the District, you may sign up for the Text-Em-All texting service to receive District communication on upcoming events. To enroll in the service simply text JOIN to 1-816-281-7060.

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2025-2026

Calendar

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NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL STARTS: TUESDAY, AUGUST 19TH

LUNCH INFORMATION

Updated meal prices for the 2025-2026 school year are listed below. Free and reduced meal applications will be available through online enrollment, at the WN Back-To-School Night, and in both offices.

Breakfast K-12: \$2.05
Lunch K-5: \$2.60
Lunch 6-12: \$2.85
Breakfast Adult: \$2.45
Lunch Adult: \$3.35

ONLINE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

For the 2025-2026 school year, WN R-IX will again be utilizing online registration to enroll students in the district. **This process will begin on Monday, July 28, for all students.** District notifications will be sent via TeacherEase and email once online registration opens. A child must be five (5) years old before **August 1, 2025**, 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 is allowed. All students new to the District are required, at the time of registration, to provide the following documents:

- **Updated Immunization Records**
- **Birth Certificate**
- **Proof of Residency**
- **Previous School Name, Address, and Telephone Number**
- **Current Address, Telephone Number, and Work Telephone Number of Parents or other Emergency Contacts**

Back-To-School Night: Open House

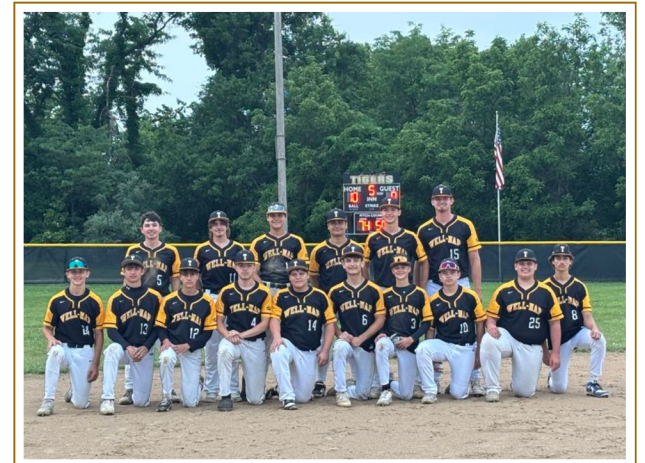
Thursday, August 14th, 5:00pm - 7:00pm
Students and parents are invited to meet the teachers, coaches, and administrators, visit classrooms and lockers, and finalize enrollment.

MS/HS Chromebook Check-Out

MEET THE TIGERS NIGHT (Fall Sports/Activities) will follow open house at Bodenhamer Field, 7:10 PM

SCHOOL HOURS

K-12 (7:45am-3:30pm)
Car Drop Off (7:30am-7:45am)
Bus Drop Off (7:30am)
Tardy Bell (7:45am)
Dismissal (3:30pm)
Teachers (7:25am-3:40pm)
Office (7:25am-3:40pm)



2025 Baseball Sectional Champs



Child Development / Pre-K



2025 Senior Trip

Address: 800 Hwy 131, Wellington, MO 64097
Phone: 816-240-2621 | FAX: 816-857-7030

WELLINGTON-NAPOLEON STAFF

Central Office

Superintendent: Brad Briscoe Ed. D.
Bookkeeper: Elaine Burnett
Accounts Payable: Jenny Wilson

High School Office

Principal: Justin Mefferd
AD/A+/Asst. Principal: Andy Hampton
Secretary: Candace Ellensohn

Elementary Office

Principal: James Evans
Secretary: Linda Varner

Director of Student Support Services

Hayley West

Technology Director

Nate Anderson

Maintenance Director

Greg Fike

Custodial Staff

Maria Solis
David Barker
Tom Barker

Kitchen Staff

Amy Soendker
Laura Heater
Karla Barnett
Angie Milligan
Kimberly Tunnell

Librarian

Allyson Mead

Nurse

Sammy Jones

School Therapist

Bailey Williams

Elementary Staff

Preschool: Brandie Westerhold, Bobbi Russell
Kindergarten: Sherri Collins, Hannah Cobabe
1st grade: Heather Kirchhoff, Heather Layman
2nd grade: Mindy Frazier, Amanda Ronkoski
3rd grade: Taylor Gerber, Jamie Wieligman
4th grade: Lynna Good, Kirsten Erdman
5th grade: Jenny Osborn, Carmen Herzberg
Title I: Christine Harris, Peggy Banner
Special Services: Ann Wheeler, Sarah McMechan, Allison Bedford, Angela Sterling
Art: Kamela Jarman
PE: Michelle McKown
Music: Kiersten Bowdish
Speech Pathologist: Michelle Roush
Counselor: Amy Riddell
Full-Time Substitute: Shelby Janssen
PAT Educator: Taylor Gussman
Regulation Room: Devin Graf, Stacey Grimp

Middle/High School Staff

Math: Julie Miller, Lincoln Bainbridge, Heather Register
Science: Mason Schrader, Ivan Bowdish
Social Studies: Michael McConkey, John Unrein
ELA: Amy Snyder, Olivia Siefker
Business: Amanda Travis
PE: Michelle McKown, Scout Schaberg
Art: Kamela Jarman
Music and Band: Kiersten Bowdish, Rachel Mrosko
Family & Consumer Science: Donna Fahrmeier
Vocational Agriculture: Devin Garland
Special Services: Ed Gooseman, Lisa Wright, Julia Couch, Allison Bedford
Full-Time Substitute: Jill Wallace
Counselor: Jobie Shannon



Main Line: 816-240-2621
Fax Line: 816-857-7030
Central Office Hours
7:30am - 3:45pm

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

RESOURCES FOR FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS

Free or Reduced Breakfast/Lunch

Our federal government provides funding to schools to help families in need through a variety of programs. One of those programs is for families needing assistance with paying for school breakfast and lunch. Anyone displaced or experiencing a loss of income, living with a family member other than parent (such as a grandparent, aunt, uncle, or even friend), receiving any government assistance or whose income qualifies for assistance can receive free or reduced pricing on school breakfast and lunch. This program not only helps the families, it also helps the school. The more families that qualify for these programs, the more federal funding our school receives for additional academic programing. This program is designed to help you, your family, and the school. This is a confidential program where students who qualify receive the same meals as students who pay. In the past few years, our District's free and reduced numbers have decreased, yet it is strongly felt that the need among our students and community has increased. This means that we are missing families we could be assisting, perhaps in part because the application form isn't being completed or submitted. Each family will be asked to complete this application as a part of the enrollment process.

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 your 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:



Hayley West
Email: hwest@wntigers.net
Phone: 816-240-2621 Ext. 216



Candace Ellensohn
Email: cellensohn@wntigers.net
Phone: 816-240-2621 Ext. 251

Lafayette County Children's Service Fund Grants

The Lafayette County Children's Service Fund is funded through a 1/8th of a cent sales tax measure that was approved in 2005 by the citizens of Lafayette County. The LCCSF funding doubled to 1/4th cent sales tax in 2024. The funds are awarded to local agencies that provide services to children and youth, ages 19 or less, in Lafayette County.

Wellington-Napoleon R-IX Schools has been funded for the following three grants through the LCCSF:

Regulation Room: This is the seventh year our Regulation Room has been funded, which provides WN students with school-based prevention services. We are very fortunate to have a Regulation room to help ensure our students are successful throughout the school day. Staffed by Devin Graf, OTA, and Stacey Grimp, the room serves students, Pre-K to 12th grade, within our school who have shown signs of distress holding them back from making academic progress. Services provided support students with ADD, ADHD, Anxiety, Depression, Regulation Disorders, or other physical and mental health issues such as trauma, PTSD, etc. When students visit the Regulation room, they have a Regulation plan that consists of physical exercises they work through to meet their Regulation needs. Some exercises are alerting, some for calming, others for movement and balance which creates focus in the brain. Students work through these exercises then return to class ready for academic success.

School-Based Therapist: We are in the fourth year of grant funding to provide the students and families of WN with a full-time Licensed Professional Counselor. Bailey Williams serves in the role of school-based therapist for WN R-IX. With this grant funding, our SBT and school counselors are able to serve WN students in need of therapy. Through school-based mental health, students have created stronger relationships with family, peers, and teachers. Students receiving school-based therapy gain support and coping skills to better prepare them for social, emotional, and academic endeavors.

School Resource Officer: The Wellington-Napoleon R-IX Schools have partnered with LCCSF and the Lafayette County Sheriff's Department to supply a part-time School Resource Officer to the District. The SRO provides a valuable resource to WN in safety, support, and educational services to the students, staff, and the community of Wellington-Napoleon. School safety is of utmost importance to our District and the resources provided by our SRO assist in safety and crime prevention; ensuring a safe learning environment exists for all. Additional services provided by our SRO include DARE education, student and staff professional development, and working as an advocate/liaison for students and families through the Lafayette County Sheriff's Department.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

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

- Alerts will be sent via TeacherEase/Text-Em-All.
- Check our Facebook account (www.facebook.com/wellingtonnapoleon.tigers/)
- KMBC Channel 9 News, KCTV Channel 5 News, WDAF Channel 4 News



SPECIAL SERVICES NEWS

Wellington-Napoleon offers 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 from the ages of 3 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 or Odessa to attend the Early Childhood Centers at their respective location. 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: **Hayley West, Director of Student Support Services, hwest@wntigers.net or 816-240-2621 ext. 216.**

504 ACCOMMODATION PLANS:

Wellington-Napoleon follows 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 to provide written assurances of nondiscrimination, 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 activities. For more information on Section 504 please contact: **Hayley West, Director of Student Support Services, hwest@wntigers.net or 816-240-2621 ext. 216.**

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 or 903-220-8996 ext. 121.**

TITLE I READING/MATH:

Title I is a federally funded program under the 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: **Hayley West, Director of Student Support Services, hwest@wntigers.net or 816-240-2621 ext. 216,** to obtain information regarding the Federal Programs complaint process please refer to the District website or Central Office.

ADDITIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES:

The District has some additional resources available to aid students and families in need. If your child is experiencing any hardship please contact: **Hayley West, Director of Student Support Services, hwest@wntigers.net or 816-240-2621 ext. 216.** The District can aid in the following areas of hardship: Homelessness, Doubled Up (families living with other families), Couch Surfing, Migrant Families, Foster Children, Loss of Health Insurance for Children.

PARENT NEWS

Transportation:

Lexington Diesel provides transportation to the WN R-IX School District. Bus routes can be picked up on our Back-To-School Night or in school offices. Contact: **Kylene Lockhart at 816-699-0399** for bus route information/changes. You can also contact your school office with questions or concerns.

TeacherEase Parent Link:

TeacherEase is available in the Wellington-Napoleon R-IX School District. The parent link will provide web access regarding a student's progress in school. TeacherEase 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 or you can type in **www.teacherease.com** and click the login button. Parents and students may also download the TeacherEase application from the google playstore and the apple app store.

Recycling at Wellington-Napoleon:

Our Elementary, Middle School, and High School Student Councils are pleased to bring another recycling center to our community in collaboration with Lafayette County Enterprises (a non-profit Sheltered Workshop). Located up against the north side of the building are five recycle bins, for aluminum, paper, cardboard, plastic 1 and plastic 2. To identify which type of plastic a container is, check for the recycling symbol on the bottom or on a side label. Inside the symbol will be a number. If the number is a 1 or 2, we can accept it. Plastic 1 is commonly soda, water, and salad dressing bottles. Plastic 2 is typically milk jugs, shampoo bottles, grocery bags, and soap/detergent containers. Our students hope this service helps our community take care of our environment by providing the recycling containers in a location that is convenient.

Tiger Day Camp

For the 2025-2026 school year, we are proud to continue the implementation of Tiger Day Camp for WN students ages 3-12. The program will be conducted through a partnership with the Community Christian Center and be housed at the CCC facility on non-holiday Mondays when school is NOT in session. WN R-IX is currently pursuing grant funding from the Lafayette County Children's Services fund. Information will be disseminated in August to the District families to sign-up for Tiger Day Camp. Please contact the elementary office for more information.

ATHLETIC NEWS

HIGH SCHOOL PRACTICES BEGIN **AUGUST 11TH** MIDDLE SCHOOL PRACTICES BEGIN **AUGUST 18TH**

IMPORTANT

EVERY ATHLETE MUST HAVE AN UP-TO-DATE PHYSICAL AND ANNUAL PRE-PARTICIPATION FORMS BEFORE THEY CAN BEGIN PRACTICE. PHYSICAL FORMS CAN BE ACCESSED THROUGH ONLINE ENROLLMENT OR CAN BE PICKED UP IN THE HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE. PHYSICAL FORMS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE UNDER ACTIVITIES-ATHLETIC FORMS.

SPORTS CALENDAR



SCAN ME

Sports Pass: **\$50.00**

- Can be purchased at the HS Office
- Per person in household

Admission Cost: (Varsity)

- Adult: **\$5.00**
- Child: **\$3.00**
- Students 18 and Under: **\$3.00**
- WN Student: **FREE**

Admission Cost: (JV/MS Only)

- Adult: **\$3.00**
- Child: **\$2.00**
- WN Student: **FREE**

25-26 Coaches!

Football

Andy Hampton (HC)
Scott Parrish (AC)
Mark Dickey (AC)
Mike McConkey (AC)

Volleyball

Jobie Shannon (HC)
Allyson Mead (AC)
Heather Register (MS)

Boys Basketball

Justin Mefferd(HC)
Michael McConkey (AC)
Scout Schaberg (MS)

Girls Basketball

Andy Hampton (HC)
Megan Beckemeyer (AC)
Michelle Mckown (MS)

Baseball

Chase Stumfoll (HC)
Scout Schaberg (AC)

Softball

Brandie Westerhold (HC)
Olivia Siefker (AC)

Cheer

Amanda Travis - (FB)
Kamela Jarman - (BB)
Allison Bedford (MS)

Track

Michelle McKown (HC)
Allyson Mead (AC)

(HC-Head Coach)
(AC-Assistant Coach)
(MS-Middle School Coach)
(FB = Football)
(BB = Basketball)

25-26 Extra Duty!

A+ Coordinator

Andy Hampton

Academic Bowl

Rachel Mrosko

Art Club

Kamela Jarman

Band

Rachel Mrosko

Esports

Nate Anderson

FCCLA Sponsor

Donna Fahrmeier

FFA Sponsor

Devin Garland

FBLA Sponsor

Amanda Travis

FTA Sponsor

Jobie Shannon

Garden Club

Kamela Jarman

NHS Sponsor

Jobie Shannon

Student Council (HS)

Jobie Shannon

Student Council (MS)

Candace Ellensohn

Student Council (EL)

Taylor Gerber

Yearbook (MS/HS)

Amanda Travis

Yearbook (EL)

Heather Layman

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

AHAMPTON@WNTIGERS.NET

ANDY HAMPTON

816-240-2621 EXT. 252



ELEMENTARY



Dear Wellington-Napoleon Students, Families, and Patrons,

WOW! Another summer is flying by quickly here in Wellington. Fret not, there are still a few more weeks of summer to enjoy! In the meantime, I want to welcome you back to another exciting school year here at WNE!

This will be my twelfth year serving in education, and third here as Wellington-Napoleon Elementary Principal. I believe that education is a life-long process in which the school, home, and community model and instill skills and habits for life success. Most importantly, I strongly believe that our students should be at the forefront of decision making that takes place within the building. I encourage you to become involved in every way possible to help deliver positive outcomes to students of our District.

To the students of WNE, we all bring unique gifts and talents to the building to share with others here at WNE. Some of you may be an expert at crafting, while others may excel with the sticks playing video games – whatever your gift or talent, we want you to share it with us. Being part of a learning community means meeting and working with others who challenge and inspire us to reach for new heights.

Just like last year, I am going to lay down a “homework” challenge for you. I want to know about your summer breaks!

When you see me at Tiger Night Open House (I know you would never miss it 😊), take a moment to share your High Point, Low Point and Buffalo Point (something wild or unexpected) of summer break. Mr. Evans may have a goodie for you if you complete your “homework”! I look forward to seeing you all in a few short weeks, and be thinking about your High, Low and Buffaloes!

Yours in education,

James Evans
Wellington-Napoleon Elementary Principal

Tiger Night Open House will run from 5:00-7:00 PM on Thursday, August 14, 2025.

PTO INFORMATION

The PTO Board supporting your elementary school next year is:
President: Jennifer Neece | Vice-President: Christina Kanak |
Treasurer: Crystal Andrist

Last year, WNES PTO was able to cover the complete cost of all student field trips, provide over \$4000 in teacher grants, each child and staff member was provided a WNES t-shirt, field day lunch and numerous cotton candy/popcorn/snow cone fun days were provided.

PTO Sponsored events and fundraisers for 25-26 school year:

- Trash bag sales
- WNES t-shirt for all students/staff
- Classroom parties
- Santa's Secret Workshop
- Father/Daughter Dance
- Carnival/BINGO night

You can find us on Facebook at: [Well-Nap PTO](#)

Important upcoming dates:

- PTO trash bag sales start August 22nd and end September 5th
- First PTO Meeting will be September 11th at 7 pm

Please stop by the WN-PTO table during Back-To-School Night on August 14th and become a member (\$15/family). Keep in mind being a member of PTO not only helps with sponsoring events listed above, but makes you eligible to attend classroom parties and accompany classes on field trips.

Thank you for continuing to support your WNES PTO...without your support it would not be possible!

Sandra Bodenhamer/Zeysing Memorial

Over the past 14 years, the families of Sandra Bodenhamer Zeysing have raised and donated over **\$100,000** to the Wellington-Napoleon R-IX School in memory of Sandra and her love for education. That money has been used to buy books, library furniture, laptops, e-readers, an outdoor reading area, field event practice area for pole vault, shot-put, discus and long/triple jump, development of Regulation room, makerspace room, the purchase of a 3-D printer, and school supplies for over 400 students and 65 staff.

July 2024 marked the final Bodenhamer/Zeysing memorial golf tournament. The District would like to thank the Bodenhamer/Zeysing families for the hard work and planning that has gone into this event the past 14 years, and for the combined total of over **\$100,000** in donations to the Wellington-Napoleon R-IX School District.

At the end of the 2025 school year, the District was able to honor the Bodenhamer/Zeysing legacy at WN with a new stadium entrance partially funded with memorial funds.

PICK UP AND DROP OFF INSTRUCTIONS

WN R-IX Doors will open at 7:30 am and students will go directly to their classrooms or the cafeteria for breakfast. School starts at 7:45am (Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria from 7:30 am to 7:45 am).

Elementary car riders- Drop off (7:30am) and pick up (3:30pm) at the elementary entrance.

MS/HS car riders- Drive down Grace Street and drop off in the student parking lot. Enter the student entrance by the art room and exit the back of the student parking lot. Pick up remains the same; cars park down Grace Street and exit the back of the student parking lot.

All bus riders will be dropped off and enter the high school entrance (high school entrance is for bus riders only).

* If you have students on both the elementary and high school ends, we ask that you use the elementary drop off/pick up location and your middle/high school student can walk through the building to get to their location.

* Please don't park in the parking lot and ask your child to walk out to you. This creates a safety issue with supervision. Please use one of two designated drop off/pick up locations.

WELLINGTON-NAPOLEON R-IX SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR 2025-2026

August 2025				
M	T	W	Th	F
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4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

September 2025				
M	T	W	Th	F
1 <small>Labor Day</small>	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

October 2025				
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13	14	15	16	17 <small>Q</small>
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

November 2025				
M	T	W	Th	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27 <small>Thanksgiving</small>	28

December 2025				
M	T	W	Th	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19 <small>Q</small>
22	23	24	25 <small>X-Mas</small>	26
29	30	31		

January 2026				
M	T	W	Th	F
			1 <small>New Years</small>	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19 <small>MLK</small>	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

February 2026				
M	T	W	Th	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16 <small>President's Day</small>	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27

SCHOOL HOURS 7:45 AM-3:30 PM				
(Q) End of quarters - 1 st - 10/17 (37), 2 nd - 12/19 (34), 3 rd - 3/13 (40), 4 th - 5/22 (39)				
(P/T) Parent/Teacher Conferences (no school) 10/27 from 12-7pm				
No School/ Staff Professional Development Days (8am-3pm) 8/11 (New Staff), 8/12-8/15, 9/15, (10/27 PTC), 11/3, 12/8, 1/5, 2/2, 3/16, 4/13, 5/4 First Day of School: 8/19 12:30pm Dismissal Days 12/19 Last Day of 1st Semester 5/22 Last Day of School- Possible release 1:30 if needed for SNOW day Student Days-150 (1096.5 Hours) Staff Days-163 (150 + 13 PD Days)				
No School/No Staff (in yellow) Holidays/Breaks 9/1 Labor Day 11/26-11/28 Thanksgiving Break 12/22-1/2 Winter Break 1/19- Martin Luther King Jr. Day 2/16 President's Day 4/3- Spring/Easter Break 5/17 Graduation POSSIBLE Snow Make-up days 5/4, 5/22 (extension of current dismissal time of 12:30pm)				

March 2026				
M	T	W	Th	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13 <small>Q</small>
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

April 2026				
M	T	W	Th	F
		1	2	3 <small>Good Friday</small>
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13	14	15	16	17
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27	28	29	30	

May 2026				
M	T	W	Th	F
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11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22 <small>Q</small>
25 <small>Memorial Day</small>	26	27	28	29

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MESSAGE FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT

Welcome to the 2025-2026 School Year:

On behalf of the Wellington-Napoleon R-IX Board of Education, allow me to welcome each student and family to the 2025-2026 school year! I would like to thank the community for their passionate support of WN R-IX. This summer was filled with projects as we execute phase one of our April 2025 Bond construction and District improvements. We are excited to see much needed facility and District improvements, and are proud of the work that has gone into this endeavor. We are also extremely thankful for the community support behind the WN Tiger Family.

I am excited to welcome our students and families back from summer break. New families to our District welcome to the WN Dynasty, and we are proud you chose to be a Tiger! For both new and returning students and families, we are committed to another great year at Wellington-Napoleon R-IX.

The mission of Wellington-Napoleon R-IX is Students First for a Better Tomorrow! This statement, along with our District Continuous School Improvement Plan (CSIP), drives all decisions in the education of our students. It is imperative to uphold the values of our mission, vision, and values through the educational and extracurricular experiences provided to our students. Commitment to the mission truly takes a village. The support staff, teachers, coaches, administrators, parents, and community members of WN are all here to support our children to maximize their potential, and prepare students for real-world success.

In closing, it is an honor to serve the students, families, and community of Wellington-Napoleon as Superintendent of Schools. We will continue to embrace the traditions of the WN Dynasty, build on the successes of the past, and push the boundaries of achievement for the future. I know through our collective capacity as a school and community, we can accomplish great things. Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to another amazing school year.

Yours in Education,

Brad Briscoe Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools
Wellington-Napoleon R-IX
bbriscoe@wntigers.net

WELLINGTON-NAPOLEON R-IX SCHOOL BOARD

MISSION: Students First for a Better Tomorrow

VISION: Empower, Prepare, and Invest in Lifelong Learners

- VALUES:**
- Safety is Paramount
 - All Stakeholders are Essential
 - Ethics, Integrity, and Accountability
 - Academic Excellence
 - Collaborative Culture
 - Community Leaders; Quality Citizens
 - Courage to Evolve

Lorin Fahrmeier (2027)
David Twente (Vice-President 2027)
Mike Zykan (President 2026)
Jeremy Ahmann (Treasurer 2028)
Clint Osborn (2026)
Melissa Register (2026)
Diane Rukavina (2028)

MIDDLE / HIGH SCHOOL

UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Dear Parents, Students, and Patrons,

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! I am very excited to start my 4th year as MS and HS principal, and my 11th year in the District!

I know our staff is excited to start the year as well! We have almost all of our staff returning, with a couple of new folks added as well. I know they are all enthusiastic about the year and ready to get rolling! I encourage everyone to come out for Back-To-School Night on Thursday, August 14, to meet not only our new staff, but the rest of our excellent staff as well. I'm very much looking forward to working alongside this great group of educators! New to us this year are Olivia Seifker, HS ELA, and Scout Schaberg, HS Body Conditioning. Andy Hampton, who's been with us for several years, will now take over as Assistant Principal/Athletic Director.

As we continue to find ways to make the most out of the educational day for all students, there is one major change with our daily schedule this year. We will have one bell schedule for all middle and high school students. We gave this a test run at the end of last year and we are going to roll with it this school year. We will also have a "Friday Schedule" in which we'll have a 30 minute period at the end of the day for a variety of activities such as pep assemblies, class meetings, character education activities, tutoring, and more.

We will also be eliminating the semester test exemption policy. Every student will take every semester test. Semester tests will be cumulative in nature and will be weighted the same as other assessments throughout the school year. We feel that this is a necessary change to better prepare our students for any post secondary educational opportunities they may pursue.

As you all know, administrators, teachers, and parents/guardians all have a role and responsibility in the success of our students. I encourage communication from all of you so that we are always on the same path; a path that leads to great things for your student, not only while at W-N, but also upon graduation.

Respectfully,

Justin L. Mefferd
WN Middle School/High School Principal



MS/HS BELL SCHEDULE

1H (7:45AM-8:46AM)
2H (8:50AM-9:50AM)
3H (9:54AM-10:54AM)
4H (10:58AM-11:58AM)
5H (12:02PM-1:22PM)
MS LUNCH (12:02PM-12:22PM)
HS LUNCH (12:30PM-12:50PM)
6H (1:26PM-2:26PM)
7H (2:30PM-3:30PM)

BOOSTER CLUB

WN Booster Club promotes athletic participation and activities by providing support for the WN athletic, cheer, and esports teams. This is made possible by the support of WN patrons via membership dues, business sponsorships, and fundraisers.

The Booster Club holds several fundraisers each year.

The Trivia Night and Silent Auction is in April, the Tiger Classic Golf Tournament is in August, and the Savers soft goods donation collection continues throughout the year. Each fall, the Booster Club takes proposals from WN coaches to purchase equipment for the athletic and esports teams. The Booster Club also funds the Donald L. Jeffries Memorial Scholarship awarded to two graduating WN Seniors.

YOU decide what a Booster Club Membership means to you.

Show your support via membership dues or a monetary donation. Join the executive board, membership committee, or fundraising committee. Volunteer to help at fundraising events. Please contact Booster Club President Holly Mefferd at 816-263-1143 or wnr9boosterclub@gmail.com to get involved.

Be sure to join our Facebook page: [WN Tigers Athletic Booster Club](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for August 23rd!

The Annual Tiger Classic Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, August 23rd, at Shirkey Golf Club in Richmond at 9:00 a.m. Contact Holly Mefferd (816-263-1143) or Roma Heater (816-809-5412) for a team registration form, a hole sponsorship form, or to volunteer to help at the tournament!

KIDS FIRST

Kids First Education Foundation is a charitable organization that was formed July 1, 2004, with an endowment from the estate of Bernice Osthoff, a career teacher in Wellington and the surrounding area school districts.

Kids First awards scholarships to graduating seniors, classroom grants to WN teachers, and scholarships to high school students enrolled in college courses.

Since 2004, the Foundation has awarded over \$335,000 to Wellington-Napoleon students and staff. These scholarships and grants are made possible by the continued support of the community.

Please plan to attend the Kids First's fundraisers this year:

- Gospel Sing – November 2025
- Annual Banquet – March 2026

Be sure to join our Facebook page: Kids First Education Foundation of Wellington-Napoleon

If you would like more information, are interested in serving on the Kids First Board, or would like to make a tax-deductible donation, please contact the KFEF Board at WNKidsFirst@gmail.com or by mailing your contribution to: Kids First Education Foundation of WN, PO Box 127, Wellington, MO 64097

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST



OLIVIA SIEFKER
HS ELA



HANNAH COBABE
Kindergarten



SCOUT SCHABERG
MS/HS Weights



ANGELA STERLING
Paraprofessional



MACIE ARCHER
Paraprofessional



SHELBY JANSSEN
Full-Time Sub



JILL WALLACE
Full-Time Sub

PRE-K

- 1 Fitted Sheet
- 1 Small Blanket
- 1 Plastic Folder w/ Prongs & Pockets
- 1 Small Plastic Supply Box
- 1 (24 Count) Crayon Box
- 1 (12 Pack) Broad Line Markers
- 1 Box of Kleenex
- 1 Canister of Clorox Wipes
- *Change of Clothes for Accidents or Spills (Include Socks and Underwear)
- *Family Photo for the Family Board

KINDERGARTEN

- 1 small plastic supply box
- 4 plastic folders with pockets
- 1 Child Over Ear Headphones)
- 2 Boxes of Tissues
- 1 Pkg. ziplock bags (any size)

1ST GRADE

- 1 small plastic supply box
- 3 plastic folders w/pockets and brads
- 1 clipboard
- 2 composition notebooks wide lined
- 1 Pair of Headphones
- 1 package of Play-doh
- Girls- 1 Box of Kleenex
- Boys 1 Sandwich or quart ziplock bags

2ND GRADE

- 2 Composition notebooks
- 1 small plastic supply box
- 1 clipboard
- 1 personal pencil sharpener
- 1 0.5" Binder (Clear plastic sleeve on front)
- 3 Folders w/brads
- 1 Pair of Earbuds or Headphones
- Girls 1 box of sandwich size Ziploc bags Boys
- 1 box of Gallon size Ziploc bags

3RD GRADE

- 1 small plastic supply box
- 5 paper folders w/pockets & brads
- 2 spiral notebooks
- 2 pair of headphones or earbuds
- 1 Box #2 Pencils
- 2 Composition Notebooks
- 2 Clorox wipes
- 2 Boxes of Kleenex

4TH GRADE

- 1 Pack of wide ruled loose leaf paper
- 1 Spiral wide ruled notebook
- 2 Packages of 8 insert pocket dividers
- 1 pair of corded headphones
- 5 1" binders with clear front pocket
- 2 Packages of #2 Pencils (or Mechanical+Lead)
- 2 Pink Erasers
- Girls- 1 Canister of Clorox Wipes and 1 box of Kleenex
- Boys- 1 Box of Gallon ziploc bags & 1 Hand Sanitizer

5TH GRADE

- 1-Zip binder (Trapper Binder)
- 1 Package of binder divider tabs
- 2 Spiral Notebooks
- 1 Pencil Pouch
- 1 Package of loose leaf paper
- 5 Folders with pockets (1 for each subject)
- 2 Packages of #2 Pencils (or Mechanical+ lead)
- 1 pair of headphones (No wireless headphones)
- 1 pack of Expo Dry erase markers
- Girls- 1 Clorox wipes
- Boys- 1 box of kleenex

GRADES 6-8

- Pens and Pencils
- 1 Composition Notebook
- 2 Folders
- 1 Box of Kleenex
- 1 Canister of Clorox wipes
- 1 Box of markers (Students will keep)
- 1 Box of crayons (Students will keep)
- *Students will be responsible for being prepared for class with chromebook, pencil and paper each day. Teachers will not be handing out items.

GRADES 9-12

- Students should arrive prepared with standard school supplies appropriate for a variety of classes. Additional materials may be requested by individual teachers as needed.

