



# Cub Chronicle

July 2011

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome to an exciting year at WMS. Our students continue to live up to our school motto, Where the best get better!

A special welcome is extended to our 6<sup>th</sup> graders! In a few short school days, you will be well acquainted with WMS and will be very comfortable in your new building.

The Cub Chronicle is WMS's newspaper to parents. It is mailed home several times a year with information about upcoming events and special programs at WMS. If your address changes during the school year, please contact us to ensure you continue to receive your copy. This copy is dedicated to registration news and beginning-of-the-year information.

We look forward to a successful school year!

Denise D. Brown, Principal

## REGISTRATION INFO

**Registration** is held in the Cub Café. A student does not have to be present to register. A family member or friend may register a student, if necessary.

**DATE: Thursday, July 28 All students**  
**TIMES: 8:00-11:30 am AND 1:00-7:00 pm**

Students unable to register on this date may register by appointment by calling 476-3150 for a time. Students who do not register are not able to attend classes the first day of school until the registration process has been completed, resulting in possible unexcused absences from classes.

**Fees must be paid at registration.** Schedules are not issued prior to the first day of school to students who do not register. See other information in this newsletter to help you determine the amount of money you need to bring when you register. Checks should be made out to *Woodruff Middle School*. Please note a \$20 service charge for returned checks.

Schedule changes will be made during registration if there has been a mistake made in preparing the schedule. A mistake includes not having a complete schedule or not being scheduled in the appropriate academic classes. Every effort is made to give students their first choices in electives; however, if sections were full, students may have been assigned their alternative choices. Schedules are not changed for elective courses that were full. ANY schedule change requires the approval of the principal.

**Tour the building** when you register and locate your classrooms. Each team will have posted its **List of Supplies** needed for the school year. Encore team supplies are listed on the back of your supply list. Only purchase supplies for the encore classes you have on your schedule. Supply Lists are also posted on the school web page, [www.spartanburg4.org/wms](http://www.spartanburg4.org/wms).

### CALENDAR DATES

<b>Aug. 15</b>	FIRST DAY of school; full day. Buses operate. Lunch is served. First Football Practice, 3:15-5:30 pm Volleyball Tryouts begin 3:15-5:00 pm (M, T, and W)
<b>Aug. 17</b>	Breakfast begins in the Café 7:20-7:45am daily
<b>Aug. 22</b>	OPEN HOUSE from 6:00-7:30 pm Football Parent Meeting in Cafe after practice; 5:45 pm Volleyball Parent Meeting in Gym after practice; 6:30 pm Instrument Rental in Band Room, 4-7 pm
<b>Sept. 5</b>	Labor Day Holiday- No School
<b>Sept. 16</b>	School Pictures

## OPEN HOUSE

Monday, Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>

6:00 - 7:30 pm

TOUR the building. MEET your student's teachers in the classrooms.

The **Book Fair** will also be open in the Media Center.

## Read All About It ... in your *Agenda Planner!*

Students receive their Agenda Planner at registration.

The Agenda Planner includes WMS's Handbook in the first pages. The Agenda Planner is used as a hall pass, as a means of communication with parents, and as an organizational tool for students.

Students must carry the Agenda Planner to every class. The Agenda Planner is used daily in each class, and replacement cost is \$7 if lost.

Parents and students should sign page 4 of the Agenda Planner and return the page to the homeroom teacher on the first day of school.

## ✓ Check It Out

(before the first day of school)

**WHAT TO WEAR:** Follow the *Dress Code* on page 12 of the Agenda Planner. Shorts, skirts, and dresses must come to the knee, regardless if leggings are worn or not. No tank tops of any kind are permitted. All pants, slacks and shorts must be worn at the waist. No holes above the knees are allowed in any pants. Hair extensions involving feathers are acceptable if feathers are human hair colors only.

**WHAT TIME TO BE HERE:**

The tardy bell rings at 7:50 am. See the Master Schedule on page 7 of the Planner.

**WHERE TO REPORT IN THE MORNING:**

All students report to the Cub Den (gym).

**WHAT TIME SCHOOL DISMISSES:**

3:00 pm for all students.

**TRAFFIC PROCEDURES:**

See separate flyer in this mailing.

## Student Athletes

**Athletic participation** requires a current (April 1, 2011 or after) Physical /Parent Permission Form on file. The physical must be recorded on the South Carolina High School League form and must be signed by a parent/guardian and the athlete. Students may not participate in practice without this completed form.

Athletes are not required to purchase school insurance to participate in extracurricular activities. Spartanburg District 4 provides school insurance coverage for all athletes.

Information about the **2011-2012** sports seasons will be available at registration. All schedules are also posted on the school web page, [www.spartanburg4.org/wms](http://www.spartanburg4.org/wms).

## Breakfast and Lunch

**Meal Accounts** must be set up during Registration for all students regardless if a student receives free or reduced meals. Students may use their meal card as long as there is money in their meal account. Students are given reminders at school, and parents are contacted when balances approach or reach \$0. Students who have outstanding balances on their accounts should bring a bag meal from home.

**Meal applications for free and reduced meals** will be mailed to all homes in District 4 in early July. If you think your student may qualify, bring a completed application to registration. Food Services personnel will be present to verify the application. A new application must be completed even if a student participated in a free or reduced meal program last year.

### Estimated REQUIRED FEES Worksheet

Activity Fee, \$14 (all students)	_____
ELA classes, \$4 for workbook/novel (all students)	_____
PE classes, \$16 uniform ( <i>new students</i> or those needing replacement uniform)	_____
Exploratory classes, \$3-\$6 per class (most students take 3-4 exp. classes)	_____
<b>OPTIONAL FEES</b>	
Yearbook \$35	_____
School Insurance	
School Day, \$36	
24 hour, \$181	_____
<b>MEAL PLAN</b>	
Reduced Breakfast, \$0.30 day/\$1.50 wk	_____
Breakfast, \$0.95 day/\$4.75 wk	_____
Reduced Lunch, \$0.40 day/\$2.00 wk	_____
Lunch, \$1.60 day/\$8.00 wk	_____
<b>TOTAL</b>	_____