

# WRIGHT MIDDLE SCHOOL

# WILDCATS



## 2022-2023 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

### OUR BELIEFS

1. We believe that relationships matter first. This is key to academic success!
2. We believe that learning should be fun. Do not be afraid to think outside the box.
3. We believe in growing the WHOLE child as a WHOLE school. They are OUR kids!
4. We believe that we are ONE family with the students as our common goal.
5. We believe that the teacher is the first disciplinarian.
6. We believe that no one can do what a teacher does.
7. Try your best to be present for your kids!

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# NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents and Community,

With all that has transpired over the last couple of years, I have shifted the primary goal of Wright Middle School to that of a growth mindset. Being very aware of the learning loss that took place due to COVID, we are working as a team to counteract that loss by meeting students where they are in their learning. In this approach, our school has devoted efforts to identify where each child is in their learning progression so that we can support them to grow from that point forward. While we know that the learning loss will not be corrected in a few years, we also know that we have to start somewhere. We have pushed that the most important thing right now is to keep them growing, so that has become our target goal. Through the continued efforts of all staff members and teachers in our building and our dedicated efforts to the "whole child" approach, WMS will continue to strive to produce students who are not only college and career ready, but sufficient and productive members of society as well.

Sincerely,

*Brandon Burdette*

Principal



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## 2022-2023 SIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Hosted a "Meet the Teacher" night prior to the first day of school. Students completed their registration and were able to go to their classrooms and meet their teachers for the 22-23 school year.
2. Had a wonderful Fall Festival event planned and carried out by SIC members along with Admin. Students and families came in and enjoyed hot dog plates, blow up games, bonfires with smores, and a hay ride.
3. Successfully held four Chick-fil-A fundraiser biscuit sales to benefit WMS.

## 2022-2023 GOALS

1. Host a "Meet the Teacher" night prior to the first day of school. Students completed their registration and were able to go to their classrooms and meet their teachers for the 22-23 school year.
2. Start a mentoring program for students. Utilize successful role models in the community that will meet weekly with their students to reinforce behaviors, grades, and social skills. (See the School Highlights section for more information)
3. Provide daily appreciation to our teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week in the form of meals and/or gifts.

## MEMBERS

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MEAGHAN MCGAHA  
JANA MILFORD  
BROOKE MCCASLAN  
SHANNON CARTER**

**SARAH LITTLE  
ANITA DENNIS  
ANGIE SHAW  
LESA MIMS  
ESTHER BEILER  
KRISTEN MOORE**

**OIRRAKA JACKSON  
SARA CLAYTON TILLER**



# SCHOOL YEAR AT-A-GLANCE



**Ahleville County School District | Year-Round Modified School Calendar 2022-2023**

<b>JULY 2022</b>	<b>AUGUST 2022</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 2022</b>	<b>OCTOBER 2022</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 2022</b>	<b>DECEMBER 2022</b>	<b>JANUARY 2023</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 2023</b>
<b>MARCH 2023</b>	<b>APRIL 2023</b>	<b>MAY 2023</b>	<b>JUNE 2023</b>

**ACSD 2022-23 Year-Round Modified Calendar**

<b>July 2022</b>	<b>August 2022</b>	<b>September 2022</b>	<b>October 2022</b>	<b>November 2022</b>	<b>December 2022</b>
<b>January 2023</b>	<b>February 2023</b>	<b>March 2023</b>	<b>April 2023</b>	<b>May 2023</b>	<b>June 2023</b>



## TESTING DATES

**FALL MAP**  
August 16-Reading  
August 17-Math

**FALL BENCHMARK**  
October 10-24 (Window)

**PSAT\***  
October 25

**WINTER MAP**  
December 6- Reading  
December 7-Math

\*SELECT 8TH GRADE STUDENTS ONLY

**WINTER BENCHMARK**  
January 9- Reading  
January 10- Social Studies  
January 12- Math  
January 13-Science

**SPRING BENCHMARK**  
March 27-April 7 (Window)

**SPRING MAP**  
April 18- Reading  
April 19-Math

**SPRING TESTING DATES**

<b>APRIL 18</b>   MAP TESTING READING	<b>APRIL 19</b>   MAP TESTING MATH	<b>MAY 9</b>   SC READY ELA- DAY 1
<b>MAY 10</b>   SC READY ELA- DAY 2 (WRITING)	<b>MAY 11</b>   SC READY MATH	<b>MAY 16</b>   SC READY SCIENCE (6TH GRADE ONLY)

## END OF SCHOOL YEAR DATES TO REMEMBER

- FRIDAY, MAY 19TH- BETA CLUB SEMI-FORMAL SCHOOL DANCE (6:00-8:00)
- FRIDAY, MAY 26TH- SC READY SCHOOLWIDE CELEBRATION
- MONDAY, MAY 29TH- MEMORIAL DAY (NO SCHOOL)
- TUESDAY MAY 30TH- GATE STUDENTS PERFORM SKIT FOR WMS STUDENT BODY
- TUESDAY, MAY 30TH- WMS ACADEMIC AWARDS NIGHT/8TH GRADE SLIDESHOW PRESENTATION (6:00-INVITATION ONLY)
- THURSDAY JUNE 1ST- EARLY DISMISSAL/LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

# ACCELERATED READER

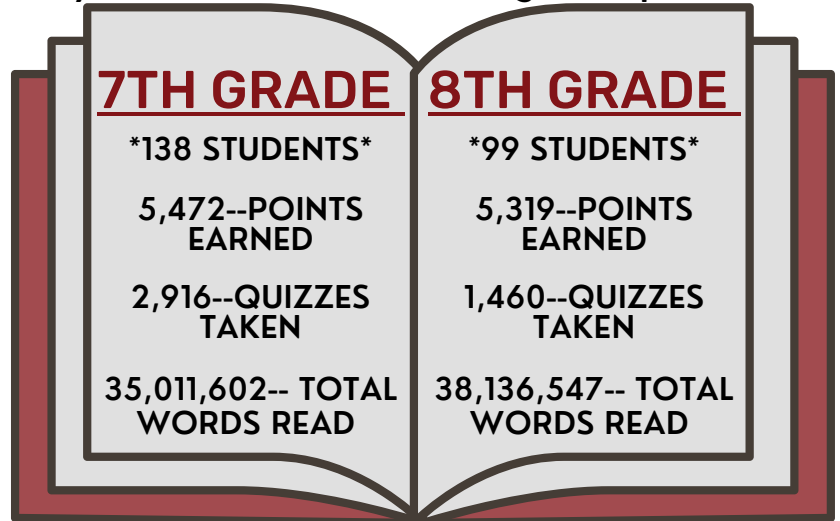
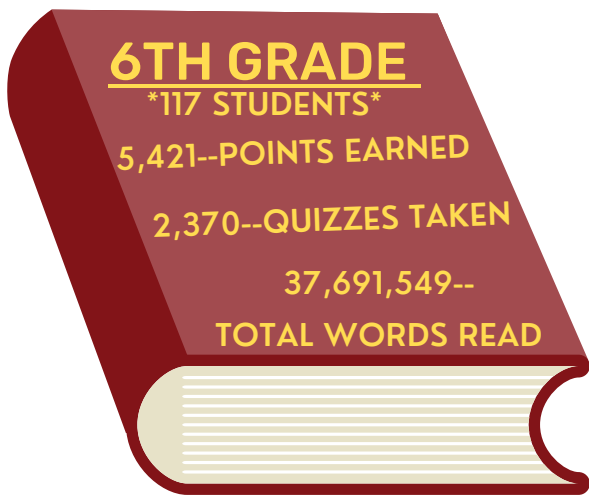


At J.S. Wright Middle we have AR from daily.

For each grade level, the time allotted for

Accelerated Reader is different. The purpose of AR

is to help with comprehension in all classes. If a child knows how to read, he/she can be successful in anything he/she wants to do. We all learn through reading. Join us in helping your child succeed in school and become a productive citizen. Below you will find a monthly summary of AR books read by WMS Students from August 1-April 28:



## OVERALL TOTALS FOR GRADES 6-8

16,212--POINTS EARNED

6,746--QUIZZES TAKEN

110,839,698-- TOTAL WORDS READ





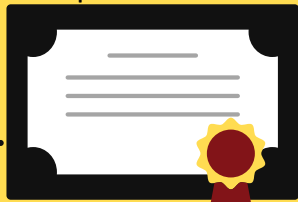
## GOLDEN APPLE AWARD



Wright Middle School's Jana Milford was selected as WYFF's Golden Apple Award winner. She was nominated by one of her students, Lauryn Murray. Her nomination letter described Mrs. Milford perfectly as "kind-hearted, gentle, patient, nice, good listener, and just an overall amazing teacher". She is an inspiration to everyone. Her hard work and her dedication to her students is admirable and we are so proud of her!

## JUNIOR SCHOLAR

Wright Middle School was honored to have one 8th grade student recognized as a Junior Scholar for her score on the PSAT. Congratulations to Emma Creswell for this outstanding accomplishment.



## STUDENTS SPREAD CHRISTMAS CHEER

Mrs. S. Temple's 8th grade English I class partnered with Westwood and Long Cane to share some Christmas joy in December. Our middle school students worked together in small groups to write and illustrate children's books. They worked so hard to create physical books as well as online versions, and they were able to all read to the younger children.

## SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

WMS partnered with our School Improvement Council to hold several different fundraisers this school year. Together, we were able to hold monthly Chick-Fil-A Biscuit Fundraisers, a fall gift wrap fundraiser, sell slushies during lunch, and canteen items during A.R. Rewards Time on Fridays.



## VICTORY XR GRANT RECEIVED

WMS was awarded a grant through the state department and VictoryXR. Our school was one of only 30 middle schools chosen to receive 20 virtual reality headsets to use in classrooms daily. We cannot wait for them to come in and utilize them in the classrooms.

## WMS I.M.P.A.C.T. PROGRAM

WMS I.M.P.A.C.T. (Improving My Perspective and Changing my Thinking) is a newly introduced mentoring program whose goal is to focus on the African American male students in an effort to help them focus on building essential skills needed to be productive and successful and seeks to impact our school and, in turn, our community one student at a time.

# FROM THE NURSE

Reminder for 6th Grade  
Parents & Guardians-- All  
7th Grade students are

required to have a t-dap shot and a  
valid SC Immunization on file with the school.

Please be sure your rising 7th grade student has had their t-dap vaccine  
prior to August 1, 2023.



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