

Dear Families,

Welcome to a new school year at Woodruff Middle School! The Cub Chronicle is a newsletter for families that is provided with each interim and report card. This special edition is mailed home in the summer to share important information about the upcoming school year and registration information. We look forward to the 50th year in our building and greeting the 600 students who will help make this school year a success.

Middle school students will be *on the P.R.O.W.L.* this year, and will be challenged through academic coursework, the fine arts, athletics, and personal character to be

Prepared

Responsible

Outstanding

Wolverine

Leaders

We look forward to seeing everyone at registration!

Denise D. Brown
Principal

CUB CHRONICLE

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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.

DATE: Thursday, July 27, all grades **TIMES:** 8:00-11:30 am AND 1:00-5:00 pm

Students who are unable to register on this date may register by appointment by calling 476-3150 for a time during the week of July 31st. All students should register prior to the first day of school. Schedules are not provided until a student registers.

Fees must be paid at registration. See information on back of this 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*. The school will be able to process electronic payments (debit or credit) this year.

Schedule changes may be made during registration if there has been a mistake in preparing the schedule. A mistake includes having an incomplete 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. Any schedule change requires the approval of the principal.

Tour the building when you register and locate your classrooms. Each grade level will have posted its **List of Supplies** needed for the school year. Encore team supplies are listed on the back of the supply list. Only purchase supplies for the Encore classes you have on your schedule. Supply Lists are also posted on the school webpage, wms.spartanburg4.org.

All students must **activate a meal account** during registration, regardless if a student receives free or reduced meals. See back page for meal prices for this school year. Students may use their meal account as long as there are funds in the account. Students are given reminders at school, and parents are contacted when balances approach or reach \$0. All payments should be made in the cafeteria.

Students applying for meal assistance must complete a new meals application, regardless if student participated in the meals assistance program last year. Charges occur on a meal account until an updated application is submitted. Meal applications will be mailed to all homes in District 4 in the summer. If you think your student may qualify, bring a completed application to registration. Food Service personnel will be present to verify the application.

School menus are posted weekly to the web page at <http://wms.spartanburg4.org>.

Save Time at Registration! Complete enclosed forms and bring them with you to registration:

- 2017-2018 Student Information Sheet
- Bus Passenger Registration Form (if student will ever use school bus transportation)
- 2017-2018 Student Health Information Sheet
- 2017-18 Free and Reduced Price School Meals Family Application (mailed earlier this summer)

OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, August 15
4:00-5:30 pm

- Drop in and meet the teachers!
- Locate your locker and visit your classrooms.
- Receive classroom information from your students' teachers.

Calendar Dates

Thurs. Aug 17	FIRST DAY of school; buses run
Mon., Aug 21	No school for students
Tues, Aug 22	Breakfast service begins
Sept 11 Week	Book Fair in Media Center
Tues, Aug 29	"Meet the Cubs" games
Mon, Sept 4	Labor Day Holiday, no school
Wed, Sept 13	1st Nine Weeks INTERIMS

Your Agenda Planner

Students receive an Agenda Planner at registration. The **Student Handbook** is printed in the first several pages of the Agenda Planner. 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. Students carry the Agenda Planner to every class and use it daily. Replacement cost is \$7.

WHAT TO WEAR: Follow the *Dress Code* on page 21 in the Agenda Planner. No holes or frays are allowed in jeans, pants or shorts. Shorts, skirts, and dresses must come to the knee. No tank tops of any kind are permitted. All pants, slacks and shorts must be worn at the waist.

WHAT TIME TO BE HERE: The tardy bell rings at 7:50 am. Arrive in time to walk to the gym.

WHERE TO REPORT IN THE MORNING: All students report to the gym.

WHAT TIME SCHOOL DISMISSES: Buses dismiss at 3 pm; students walking or riding in cars immediately following

TRAFFIC PROCEDURES: *Traffic maps that show WMS car traffic procedures are available at registration. Please note students may not be dropped off in the Teacher Parking lots or in front of the school.*

Athletic Information

Athletic participation requires a current *Physical /Parent Permission Form* on file dated on or after April 1, 2017. 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 or even practice without a completed physical. Forms are located at www.schsl.org/forms.html and are also available in the Main Office and at registration.

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 **2017-2018** sports seasons will be available at registration.

Football practice: Begins Tues., August 15. *Note there are 2 practices before the first day of school.*

Volleyball try outs: 8th grade only– Thurs., August 17
 7th grade only– Fri., August 18
 Everyone– Tues., August 22

School Fees Worksheet	
Activity Fee– all students	\$14
Reading novel/workbook	\$4
Science classes	\$3
Technology Fee	\$5
PE class, (\$8 shorts/\$8 shirt) *May wear same uniform as previous year	
Elective classes; \$3-\$6/class; *Students have 3-4 electives.	\$12-18
OPTIONAL FEES	
Yearbook, \$41	
School Insurance School day, \$17	
24 hours, \$80	
School t-shirt, \$12	
Cub Club, \$10 new members	
MEAL PLAN	
Reduced breakfast, .30/day; \$1.50/wk	
Breakfast, \$1.00/day; \$5/wk	
Reduced Lunch, .40/day; \$2.00/wk	
Lunch, \$2.05/day; \$12.50/wk;	
Estimated TOTAL:	

Immunizations for 7th Graders

7th graders are required to have 1 dose of Tdap vaccine (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) administered on or after the 7th birthday.

Students may not register or attend classes without presenting this immunization documentation.

If a student participated in the Tdap Clinic held this spring at WMS, the school has a copy of updated immunization records and no further action is required. If a student did not participate in the clinic, bring an updated copy of the immunization record to Registration or provide to the school this summer.