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WELCOME BACK GRIZZLIES

Dear West Briar Middle School,

Welcome back to another exciting school year at West Briar Middle School! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer. As we embark on this new academic year, we are filled with enthusiasm and anticipation for the wonderful experiences and opportunities that lie ahead. Our dedicated staff has been working tirelessly to prepare for the student's return, ensuring that our school remains a place of safety, growth, and excellence. We are committed to providing high-quality instruction and fostering a supportive environment where every student can thrive.

We are eager to continue building strong relationships with you, our valued stakeholders, and the entire community. Your involvement and support are crucial to our success, and we encourage you to stay engaged and connected with us throughout the year. Together, we can make this year an incredible journey of learning and achievement for all our students. Thank you for your continued trust and partnership. Let's make this school year the best one yet!

ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

Start of the School Day: 8:30AM End of the School Day: 4:00PM

On the first day of school, staff will greet students in the gym and cafeteria and accompany them to their classrooms. Students will receive paper copies of

their schedules. For returning students who use the Power School app or website, their schedules will be available online starting the morning of August 12, 2024. Additionally, we will have teachers throughout the campus to assist students in locating their classes and navigating the building.

The West Briar building opens for student entry at 7:30 AM. Students will enter through the cafeteria. At 8:00am, all students should enter through the Gym area, located at the end of the Car Rider drop-off zone. For detailed information on our Arrival & Dismissal Procedures, please review the handbook or watch the video below. With many students walking or biking to and from school, we kindly ask that you remain vigilant and aware of your surroundings when driving around the campus. Uplease #Bekind and exercise patience during drop-off and pick-up times. The first week may be slower than usual as everyone familiarizes themselves with our procedures

WBMS CLINIC INFORMATION

ALL students should have a Health Inventory Form completed and turned into the school. Students can turn into their House Secretary, the main office, or the nurse. See the link below.



Crystal Blanchard
Principal

Leroneatra Williams
DeWayne McCurdy
Demerick Johnson
Kendra Stokes
Assistant Principals

Ginger Scott Teacher Specialist

Bridgett Ryans Counselor

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BACK TO SCHOOL

ACCESS THE WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL VIDEO BY CLICKING HERE

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DRESS CODE

The faculty and staff of West Briar Middle School expect students to come to school each day dressed appropriately, according to dress code, in order to ensure the health and safety of everyone on campus at all times.

Scan for full

PTO UNIFORM SALES

All uniform tops should be purchased from the WBMS PTO

School Store, according to grade level. The West

Briar PTO will be set up in the Auditorium every morning during the first week of school. You can park in the staff lot on the side of our building and walk directly to the Auditorium to purchase or pick up your student's uniform.



STAY

WWW. houstonisd. org/westbriar

Sign up for PTO at https://www.westbriarpto.com/form/m/277383. Stay informed about extracurricular activities and more by enrolling in their regular communications.

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LOCKER/LOCKER REQUIREMENTS

We would like to inform you of the locker and lock requirements for the upcoming school year to ensure the security of students' personal belongings.





Each student is required to have two Master Combination Locks.

Students will be assigned a locker where they can securely store their cell phones and hoodies before the start of the school day. Students enrolled in Physical Education (PE) will need a second lock for their gym lockers to store their PE uniforms and equipment.

For our student-athletes, an athletic locker will be provided to store athletic practice gear and personal items. These items can be stored before school, ensuring they are readily accessible during the athletic period.

Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining a safe and organized environment for all our students.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 12 - 16, 2024

• 8:00am - School Store Uniform Sales/Pickup

August 15, 2024

- Sports Physicals
 - 4:00pm-7:00pm Small gym/\$25 to make an appointment, email nchristo@houstonisd.org
- Beginner Band Drive
 - 4:30pm 6:30pm incoming band students and parents test out their instruments

August 16, 2024

• 4:15pm Volleyball Tryouts (8th grade)

August 20 - 22, 2024

- NWEA MAP BOY Testing Math (8/20)
- NWEA MAP BOY Testing Reading (8/21)
- NWEA MAP BOY Testing Science (8/22)



Monday, August 12th

Doors open as early as 7:30AM Instruction starts at 8:30AM School ends at 4:00PM

INSTRUCTION STARTS ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

All students must be in uniform.

We appreciate your patient and flexibility during the first two weeks of school as we welcome new students and families.

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Important Links

- West Briar Handbook
- HISD Student Handbook
- School Supply List
- Search Bus Stop by Address
- Bell Schedule
- Academic Calendar
- Campus Assessment Calendar
- Health Inventory Form



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Happy Birthday

Student Name	Birthday	• GRADE
Alemy, Mohammad Mutahed	08-12	7
Alvarez, Gyptian	08-13	8
Attayan, Arsha	08-13	8
Farinas, Estefany Isabel	08-13	8
Kangethe, Nathan Njenga	08-13	7
Rubenstein, Alice	08-14	7
Barron, Gionni O Ziah	08-15	7
Guzman-Martinez, Francisco Yair	08-15	6
Ruppa, Nishta	08-15	6
Adegoke, Princess Joan	08-16	7
Grogan, Josiah Christopher Lee	08-17	8
Matute Trochez, Jeferson Emanuel	08-17	8
Watson, Kadis Robert	08-17	8
Love, Rhilee Armanii	08-17	7

