



The Wildcat News

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West Millbrook Middle School

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What's Happening at West Millbrook...

August 27 (Monday)	First Day of School
August 28-30 (Tues.-Thurs.)	Football, Volleyball & Cheerleading Tryouts: 3:15-4:30 pm
September 3 (Monday)	Labor Day (School Holiday)
September 4-5 (Tues., Wed.)	Student ID Photo Days
September 11 (Tuesday)	PTA Meeting: 7:00 pm
September 13 (Thursday)	6 th Grade Cookies and Conversation: 5:30-6:30 pm
September 19 (Wed.)	Football: Wakefield @ WMMS: 3:45 pm
September 20 (Thurs.)	Girls Soccer & Volleyball: WMMS @ Wakefield: 3:45 pm
September 24 (Monday)	Teacher Workday (Students No School)
September 25 (Tuesday)	Girls Soccer & Volleyball: East Wake @ WMMS: 3:45 pm

Welcome Back Wildcats!

WMMS PTA extends a big wildcat welcome to those new or returning to our school. The emphasize this year is on **our** school because we want everyone to feel that wildcat pride and be an active participant, whether parent, student or staff at West Millbrook. We invite you to start the year off right by joining your PTA. National PTA is the largest association in America working exclusively for children and youth. More than 7 million can't be wrong! I encourage each one of you to please take a moment over the next few weeks to join **our** PTA and sign up for ways to be an active member. There are a number of ways that **our** WMMS PTA works within **our** school contributing to a healthy learning environment for **our** children. Some of our contributions include cultural arts programs, career day, student recognition and much more. Please join us at our PTA meetings in the media center on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 PM to find out more!

We need volunteers for several upcoming events and there is a job and a time for everyone to fit into your schedule. We also have a "Battle of the

Brooks" challenge for PTA membership with East Millbrook. Sign up now and show your Wildcat spirit! **SO DON'T WAIT, JOIN OUR PTA AND PARTICIPATE!!!**

As we, your new PTA board, embark upon another exciting educational year at West Millbrook, I want to thank you in advance for your support and participation. In closing, I leave you with this thought:

We could all learn a lot from crayons. Some are sharp, some are dull, some have weird names and all are different colors...but they all exist very nicely in the same box.

At West Millbrook, we must bring all **our** diversity together and work as one for the good of all **our** children. **Our** PTA looks forward to making it 7 million plus you!

Welcome Back,
Lisa F. Brown
WMMS PTA President

WMMS Student Directory

The WMMS PTA publishes a Student Directory which lists each student's name, grade level, home address, parent/guardian name(s), and phone number as they appear in the student's official school record. **ALL students are included in the directory unless a non-consent/change form is completed and returned to the school by FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2007. Any forms received after the deadline cannot be used due to tight publishing deadlines.**

If you do not want your student's name published in the PTA directory or if you would like to make changes to your student's information, i.e. a nickname, etc., please look for the green sheet of paper that came in the mail with your child's schedule. This has the West Millbrook PTA Student Directory Change/Non-Consent Form on it. Please fill it out and return it to the school by September 14, 2007. Changes only apply to the Directory information and do not change the official school record. If you do not have the green sheet of paper, copies of the Directory form will be available at the PTA table at the Open House and in the front office once school starts.

Directories will be sold for \$2 during lunch, at school events and in the office once publishing is complete. Watch the Wildcat News for updates on the completion of the directories.

Volunteer at WMMS

The WMMS faculty, staff and PTA look forward to another successful year! To make this happen, we would like for you to volunteer your time. Please look for the green sheet of paper that came in the mail with your child's schedule. This has the WMMS 2007-2008 Volunteer Opportunities form on it. Please check areas in which you are interested in supporting WMMS as a volunteer and return the form to the school. Committee Chairpersons will contact you about how you can help. If you do not have the green sheet of paper, copies of the Volunteer form will be available at the PTA table at the Open House and in the front office once school starts. Questions? Contact Jill Balogh at 847-5872 or jbalogh@nc.rr.com.

PTA Board Members needed!

We have a wonderful group of people that have already volunteered their time as members of the WMMS PTA board, but we still need you. Following are the positions that still need to be filled:

President-Elect Concessions - chair or co-chairs
Cultural Arts - chair or co-chairs
Dance Chaperones - co-chair
Directory - co-chair
Hospitality - co-chair
Spiritwear - chair or co-chairs

If you are interested in any of these positions or would like more information, please contact Jill Balogh at 847-5872 or jbalogh@nc.rr.com.

JOIN THE 2007-2008 WMMS PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION!

The Parent-Teacher Association gives extra financial support to programs at West Millbrook Middle School including:

Library Resources, Computer Technology Upgrades, Academic Enrichment Activities, Cultural Arts, Character Education Programs, Instructional Grants, and Teacher Appreciation

Please join! Just fill out the green form that came in the mail with your child's schedule and return it with your tax-deductible payment to WMMS by mail: WMMS PTA Membership, 8115 Strickland Road, Raleigh, NC 27615. You may also bring it to the 6th Grade Open House (Sept.13) or send it with your student to his/her homeroom teacher. You'll receive your membership card shortly thereafter. Contact Anne Rajagopalan, tel. 855-8284, with any questions about membership in the WMMS PTA.

Please note: Each school's PTA is a separate organization, so your PTA membership at another school DOES NOT support West Millbrook. PTA Memberships last for one year. Only \$2.75 of your PTA membership dues is sent to State & National PTA; the rest stays at West Millbrook! Premium Level Memberships are an easy way to provide even more funding for our educational programs.

