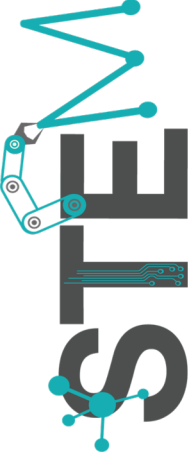




# The Washington Way


## SEPTEMBER 2018



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### STEM Family Night

Bring the entire family out to STEM Family Night on Thursday, September 6 @ 6pm. There will be 16 awesome stations to get involved in! Come, join the fun!



**A note from Mr. Colboth:**  
We are off to a wonderful start here at Washington Elementary School. I would like to thank our parents and guardians for supporting our students and supporting our school. We have a wonderful staff who care dearly for our students. Welcome to the Washington Elementary Family! #washwildcats

### PTO Meeting

We will have our first PTO meeting of the year on Thursday, September 6 @ 3:30pm. All are welcome to attend the meetings! You will get to see, firsthand, just how much Washington PTO does for our school. There are many upcoming events we will be discussing. The meeting will be held in the library. Save the date!! (To stay up-to-date on all PTO information, "like" our Facebook page, *Washington School PTO*)



Spirit wear shirt orders are due on September 17. Please be sure to order the correct size. There will be no refunds/exchanges. Extra forms can be picked up from the office.


### DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

Dismissal has been going well, thank you for making an effort to keep the kids safe! Just a couple of reminders as we continue on throughout the school year:

- If your child's pre-arranged dismissal procedure changes, please call the office BEFORE 2:30 so the office can notify your child's teacher.
- Please allow room for buses to navigate safely through the parking lot/side roads.

Dismissal Times:

- 2:45pm—Kindergarten ONLY
- 2:55pm—Early Bus Riders
- 2:57pm—Walkers/Bike Riders
- 3:00pm—All other students
- 3:05pm—Late Bus Riders



### Birthday Celebrations!

Each month Washington PTO recognizes students' birthdays by allowing them to sit at the special Birthday Table during their lunch. They are allowed to invite a friend to sit with them as well. Your student's name will also be listed during that week's episode of Wildcat TV. Next birthday table date is September 21, celebrating Aug/Sept birthdays!!

## PBIS NEWS!

### September: Respect

Showing high regard for authority, for other people, for self, for property, and for country; and understanding that all people have value as human beings.



## Handbook Spotlight

This month's Handbook Spotlight: Birthday Celebrations! No student birthday parties will be held in the classrooms. Instead, our PTO will provide students special recognition in our cafeteria at the end of each month. Summer birthdays will be celebrated in May/June. The delivery of cupcakes, treats and birthday items interfere with educational time and create disruption. There are many students attending our school that have medical conditions such as diabetes and severe food allergies that must be taken in account.

### AFTERCATS!!

The AfterCats program is underway and off to a great start! If you need to utilize this program, at any time, you can pick up a registration packet from the office or find it on our website. The non-refundable registration fee is \$10 (due at registration) and the \$4/hour fee is due each week on the last day your child attends. \*\*Please notify the school office or AfterCats Coordinator with any pick-up changes. Questions can be directed to Alicia Randolph.

### Sign up for the Washington School Principal Message from Mr. Colboth

Get information and updates for Washington Elementary School right on your phone. Choose how you would like to receive messages:

#### If you would like to receive text notifications:

Text the message **@5e16b** to the number 81010

If you are having trouble with 81010, try texting **@5e16b** to (618)690-4041

#### If you would like to receive push notifications on your Smartphone:

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your browser and go to the following link:  
**rmd.at/5e16b**

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You will be prompted to download the mobile app.



Friend Watch—Anti-Bullying Information System  
Friend Watch is an online messaging system that allows students/parents/guardians to send anonymous messages to school administrators and counselors and inform them of possible bullying incidents involving students both in and out of the school setting. Look for this owl graphic on the Washington Elementary School webpage and click on the owl to open the message form. Any information provided will be sent directly to Mr. Colboth and Mrs. Patton (our school social worker). This form does not allow two-way communication (the school cannot send a reply back to you).



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