

Wall Intermediate School



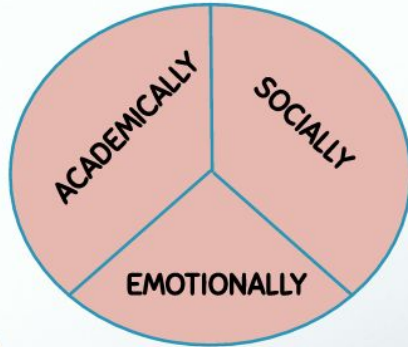
5th to 6th Grade Transition



WIS MISSION STATEMENT!

Our mission is to help all students...

GROW..



THROUGH:





Agenda

- Introductions
- The Transition Program
- Elementary School -vs- Intermediate School
- A day in the life of a sixth grader.....
- Supports for students
- If I have questions, where or who do we go to?





WIS Staff

- Tom Ridoux - Assistant Principal
- Kristen Scott - Assistant Principal
- Supervisors of Instruction
 - Laura Kurmin (Math/Science/Computer Sci)
 - Dr. Tracy Skinner (SS/WL/ML)
 - Dr. Nancy Samaha (Special Education 6-12)
 - Kelly Weiner (ELA & Media)





WIS staff

- Eliza Willms - 6th Grade Counselor
- Kelly Eastmond - School Family Liaison
Counselor & ABS
- Nadine Wade / Dana Hanlon / Cailyn Gilvary /
Alyssa Nolan - Case Managers





Transition Presentation - Student

April 23, 2024 - Principal and Counselor Visits to Elementary Schools

- *AM presentation - about an hour - 9:30 - 10:30 AM - Allenwood*
- *PM presentation - about an hour - 2:00 - 3:00 PM - Old Mill*

April 25, 2024 - Principal and Counselor Visits to Elementary Schools

- *AM presentation - about an hour - 9:30 - 10:30 AM - Central*
- *PM presentation - about an hour - 2:00 - 3:00 PM - West Belmar*

These events are students only events.





Transition Presentation - Student

May 28, 2024 - 5th Grade Students Visit WIS (9:30 - 11:00)

- *Field trip to WIS! Students will enjoy a smattering of different presentations as well as participate in a Q & A panel with our National Junior Honor Society Members. A tour of WIS will also be provided.*
- *Allenwood and Old Mill*

May 30, 2024 - 5th Grade Students Visit WIS (9:30 - 11:00)

- *Field trip to WIS! Students will enjoy a smattering of different presentations as well as participate in a Q & A panel with our National Junior Honor Society Members. A tour of WIS will also be provided.*
- *Central & West Belmar*

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Welcome to WIS - Student

September 3rd, 2024

- 6th Grade Orientation / Activities Fair / Pizza Party
 - Activities Fair 3:15 PM (with parents)
 - Orientation & Pizza Party (without parents)
 - Schedules, lockers, building tour, expectations/rules/procedures
 - Extended time after the orientation will be provided for students identified as in need of it.

September 4th, 2024

- Locker Night





Interdisciplinary Teaming

An interdisciplinary team consists of grade level teachers from different subjects who instruct a common group of students.

Example: Interdisciplinary Team

- ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Special Education Teacher
- Combination of Special Needs and Advanced Students
- 6 Teams = 2 per grade level
- 6 Communities within the WIS Community





Elementary -vs- Intermediate

5th

- 2 teachers
- 2 classroom
- 2 desks
- PE 2-3 days per week
- 20 minute lunch & 20 minute recess
- Daily schedule is somewhat flexible
- 9:05 AM - 3:20 PM

6th-8th

- 7-8 teachers
- 7 classrooms
- 2 lockers
- PE 5 days per week
- 23 minute lunch & 15 minute study hall
- No recess
- Schedule is set with hallway passing time
- 8:10 AM - 2:50 PM





Coursework

ELA - 2 blocks (full year course)

Math - 2 blocks (full year course)

Science - 2 blocks (semester course)

Social Studies - 2 blocks (semester course)

Phys. Ed. - 1 block (full year course)

World Language - 1 block (full year course) SPANISH - FRENCH - LATIN

Elective - 1 block Gen. Music & Art (1 semester each).....or 1 block (full year) Band/Orchestra/Choir



Grade 6 Sample Schedule

Grade 6	
<i>Period</i>	<i>Class</i>
1/2	Core Content
3	PE or Elective
4/5	Core Content
6	PE or Elective
7	Lunch
8	PE or Elective
9/10	Core Content

- **Core Content**

- Language Arts
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies

- **Physical Education**

- **Electives**

- World Languages
- Music 6
- Art 6
- Band, Orchestra or Chorus



Coursework

Grade 6		Potential Schedule	
<i>Period</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Class</i>
1/2	Core Content	1/2	Math
3	PE or Elective	3	PE
4/5	Core Content	4/5	Sci./Soc. Stu.
6	PE or Elective	6	Band or Art
7	Lunch	7	Lunch
8/9	Core Content	8/9	ELA
10	PE or Elective	10	World Lang.



ELA Placement

- Everyone enters into ELA 6
- Course Sequencing
 - ELA 6 → ELA 7 → ELA 8
 - ELA 6 → ELA 7 → ELA 8 Advanced
 - ELA 6 → ELA 7 Advanced → ELA 8 Advanced
- Multiple measures are used to determine readiness for ELA 7 Advanced & ELA 8 Advanced
 - MP Grades
 - Writing Grades
 - iReady Scores
 - NJSLA Scores
 - Teacher Recommendation





Math Placement

- Math Placement (determined by fifth grade testing)
 - Math 6
 - PreAlgebra
- Math 6 or PreAlgebra
 - Math Placement Test (March 2024)
 - iReady End of Year (Late May / Early June)
- Course Sequencing
 - Math 6 → Math 7 → Math 8 (PreAlgebra)
 - Math 6 → Math 7 → Algebra 1
 - PreAlgebra → Algebra 1 → Geometry





World Language

- Full year course:
 - Spanish
 - French
 - Latin
- Progression into high school





Physical Education (Full Year Elective)

- Full year course includes:
 - Physical Education
 - Health Education (October - March)
 - Replaces Physical Education at those times during the school year





Band, Orchestra, Choir (Full Year Elective)

- Each is a full year elective.
- Instruction is provided 5 days/week
 - 1 period daily
 - Lesson differentiation will occur during lunch periods





General Music....and.... Art (Half-year Electives)

- BAND/ORCHESTRA/Choir is not chosen, students will participate in the following:
 - General Music 6 (One Semester)
 - Art 6 (One Semester)
 - Organized by Team





Whom should I contact?

Academic Issues

Subject Area Teacher
School Counselor
Case Manager
Supervisor of Instruction
Supervisor of Special Education
I&RS Coordinator

Social Emotional Issues

Teacher
School Counselor
Case Manager
School Family Liaison
Counselor / ABS
Assistant Principals
Principal





Student Support - Academic

During School:

- Differentiated instruction within the classroom
- Co-taught classrooms
- Intervention Specialists

After School:

- Extra help day
- FOCUS program

Additional Support Mechanisms:

Teacher, School Counselor, Case Manager, Supervisors of Instruction (ELA/M/Sc/SS), Intervention & Referral Services Committee (I&RS), Assistant Principals and Principal





Student Support - Social / Emotional

During School:

- Individual or group counseling services
- Classroom lessons aligned with school counseling standards

After School:

- Clubs and Activities
- Athletics and Intramurals (please pay attention to dates)
- FOCUS

Additional Support Mechanisms:

Teacher, School Counselor, Case Manager, Supervisors of Instruction, Intervention & Referral Services Committee (I&RS), Assistant Principals and Principal





Student Recognition at WIS

- Honor Roll
- National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)
- Knighting
- Shielding
- Website accolades
- Newsletter / Signboard / Daily Announcements accolades
- Student of the Marking Period





What else goes on at the WIS?

- Grade level and/or Team service learning projects
- Assemblies
- School play
- Volley 4 Autism
- Concerts and musicals
- Field Trips (1 per grade)
- 6th & 8th Grade Dances
- Spirit Days and Pep Rallies
- Fun & Fitness Day (May or June of fifth grade year)



