



**WINTERS MILL
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Welcome Back Falcon Family!

September 2022

School Starts Sept. 6

Winters Mill High School

560 Gorsuch Road
Westminster, MD 21157

School Hours 7:30am - 2:20pm

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Assistant Principal:

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Mr. Greg Knill

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A Message from Principal Brown

Dear Winters Mill Community:

As the summer comes to an unwelcomed end, August tells us that a new school year is upon us. I am excited to enter my fifth year as the Principal of Winters Mill High School. We accomplished so much in my fourth year and I am optimistic about our future. With a new school year at hand, our administrative team is eagerly awaiting the arrival of our incoming freshmen and new students as well as a sizable number of new educators to our building.

I am extremely excited that we will be able to have a normal school year, hopefully from start to finish. Over the past 12 months, we braced for the worst, but got the best our students had to offer in 2021-22. Our goal last school year was to reengage, reignite and reinforce our school's mission and vision. Students not only met this expectation, but exceeded it. We have made great strides last year! Our goal is to continue that momentum and build on the successes of being in person for an entire school year. We had more students make the Honor Roll this past school year than we ever have! This is a testament to the hard work of all of the teachers and support staff in our building, but I believe we can do even better this year. I am also very proud of our discipline data from this past school year. We saw a 55% drop in our minor referrals, along with a 15% drop in major referrals last school year compared to the 2019-20 school year (prior to the pandemic). This tells me as a school we are focused on the whole student and understand the power of building positive relationships throughout the building. We know things aren't perfect at WMHS, but we are trending in the right direction.

Similar to last school year, students will be expected to do all of their learning in person. Additionally, students will be encouraged to utilize their CCPS issued laptops for an enhanced experience in the classroom. We will work hard on the first day of school to make sure every student is issued a workable laptop. Teachers will be utilizing the Schoology learning management system to ensure student success and differentiation for all. Many teachers were already using this platform last year in CCPS; however, if your student is not familiar, we will provide additional support the first few days of school. This platform will also allow students the opportunity to sustain their learning even in unforeseen circumstances and/or absences.

Finally, I would like to share information about our Back to School Night/Community Open House that will take place in person on September 1st from 5:30pm – 7:30pm. This event will allow you the opportunity to walk student schedules and meet with teachers. The schedule for that night is included in this newsletter and will be sent out again via School Messenger. Also, come learn about our amazing clubs, sports, and other school related organizations. Building tours will be provided and students and parents will have a chance to meet administration, staff, and counselors. We will also have pick up available for student laptops and schedules. So please come and enjoy some food and fun at Winters Mill High School!

Sincerely,

Michael Brown

Principal, Winters Mill High School

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Save the Date 22-23

- September 1 - Winters Mill Open House (5:30 – 7:30PM)
- September 6 - First Day for Students
- September 8, 9 – Senior Photos
- September 15, 16 - School Pictures for Underclass Students
- September 16 - Varsity Home Football Opener (7PM)
- October 7 – Interim
- October 17th -22nd - Homecoming
- October 22 - Homecoming Dance
- October 12 - PSAT Administration (During School Day)
- October 12 4:30 - 7:30- Quarter 1 Conference Night
- October 19 – Fall Instrumental Concert (7PM)
- October 20 – 20th Anniversary Re-Dedication Ceremony (7PM)
- October 21 - Schools Closed for Students
- October 27 – Fall Choral Concert (6PM)
- November 3 (7:30PM), 4 (7:30PM) and 5 (2PM and 7:30PM) – Fall Production
- November 10 – Pathways Fair (5PM – 7PM)
- November 17 – Make Up Photos for Underclass Students
- November 11 - End of MP1 (early Dismissal)
- December 6 – Winter Instrumental Music Concert (7PM)
- February 2 - Semester 2 Open House (5PM – 7PM)
- *See Second Semester Newsletter for Important Semester 2 Dates*

Parent/Teacher Conference Dates for 2022-2023

- Quarter 1: Parent/Teacher Conferences: October 12 (4:30PM – 7:30PM)
- Quarter 2: Pathways Fair: November 10 (5PM – 7PM)
- Quarter 3: Second Semester Open House: February 2 (5PM – 7PM)
- Quarter 3: March 9 (4:30 – 7:30)

Grade Reporting Dates for 2022 -2023

Term	MP Ends	Distribute
Report Card 1	11/11/22 (Friday)	11/18/22 (Friday)
Report Card 2	1/26/23 (Thursday)	2/3/23 (Friday)
Report Card 3	4/5/23 (Wednesday)	4/18/23 (Tuesday)
Report Card 4	6/15/23 (Thursday)	Mail on/before June 23 rd

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Preparing for the 2021-2022 School Year

On the next several pages, you will find information related to beginning the school year.

OPEN HOUSE

Please join us for a community open house on **Thursday September 1st** at Winters Mill High School from **5:30 – 7:30 PM**.

See the amazing clubs and sports Winters Mill has to offer.

Tour the building.

Meet administration, staff, and counselors.

Pick up your laptop and schedule.

Grab some food from the grill and a cold drink to cool down from the heat!

This event is open and free to all Winters Mill students and families.

Schedule of Events:

5:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Welcome, Mingle, Music, Hotdogs, chips, freeze pops and water (FREE)
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Club & Sports information available
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Open House to visit classrooms, meet teachers, tour building
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Schedule & Laptop distribution
6:15 pm – 6:30 pm	CCCTC, Dual Enrollment, Work Release Expectations (Auditorium)
7:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Coffee Chat with Principal Brown (Auditorium)

First Day of School Schedule

7:30-9:15 **FOCUS**

- CCCTC Mod 1 and Mod 1-3 students report to CCCTC.

9:20-10:10 **Mod 1**

10:15 – 11:10 **Mod 2**

11:15-1:15 **Mod 3/Lunch**

- Lunch A: 11:15-11:40
- Lunch B: 11:45-12:10
- Lunch C: 12:15-12:40
- Lunch D: 12:45-1:10

1:20 - 2:20 **Mod 4**

- 2:15 - Review dismissal procedures and bus line up
- 2:20 - Dismissal

Computers/Supplies

All Winters Mill Students are eligible to receive a CCPS issued computer. Students are expected to bring a charged computer with them to school each day. Teachers will be utilizing Schoology to post assignments and materials necessary for learning in the classroom. Most students in grades 10-12 already have their computer. If your child has not yet received their computer, we will be handing them out during New Student Orientation, at the Open House and on the first day of school. If you have questions, please contact the school.

General school supplies can be purchased in advance of the first day. However, teachers will review specific materials needed for class on the first day with students.

Follow student progress through parent access to Schoology.

Log into Home Access Center regularly to see student schedules and to regularly check student grades.

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BELL SCHEDULE



Regular		
	Start	End
Mod 1	7:30 AM	8:55 AM
<i>CCCTC Students leave at 7:30 AM</i>		
FLEX	9:00 AM	9:30 AM
<i>CCCTC Students leave at 9:15 AM</i>		
Mod 2	9:35 AM	10:55 AM
Mod 3	11:00 AM	12:55 PM
A Lunch	11:00 AM	11:25 AM
B Lunch	11:30 AM	11:55 PM
C Lunch	12:00 PM	12:25 PM
<i>CCCTC Students arrive at 12:30 PM</i>		
D Lunch	12:30 PM	12:55 PM
Mod 4	1:00 PM	2:20 PM

Early Dismissal 2 HOUR 45 MIN		
	Start	End
Mod 1	7:30 AM	8:10 AM
<i>CCCTC Students leave at 7:30 AM</i>		
Mod 2	8:15 AM	8:50 AM
<i>CCCTC Students leave at 8:35 AM</i>		
Mod 3	8:55 AM	9:35 AM
Mod 4	9:40 AM	11:35 AM
A Lunch	9:40 AM	10:05 AM
B Lunch	10:10 AM	10:35 AM
C Lunch	10:40 AM	11:05 AM

Late Arrival 2 HOUR		
	Start	End
Mod 1	9:30 AM	10:25 AM
<i>CCCTC Students leave at 9:30 AM</i>		
Mod 2	10:30 AM	11:25 AM
<i>CCCTC Students leave at 10:45 AM</i>		
Mod 3	11:30 AM	1:25 PM
A Lunch	11:30 AM	11:55 AM
B Lunch	12:00 PM	12:25 PM
C Lunch	12:30 PM	12:55 PM
D Lunch	1:00 PM	1:25 PM

Virtual Snow Day 2 HOUR Delay		
	Start	End
Mod 1	9:30 AM	10:30 AM
Mod 2	10:35 AM	11:35 AM
Lunch	11:40 AM	12:10 PM
Mod 3	12:15 PM	1:15 PM
Mod 4	1:20 PM	2:20 PM

CCCTC Virtual Snow Day 2 HOUR Delay		
	Start	End
Mod 1	9:40 AM	10:30 AM
Mod 1-2	9:40 AM	11:30 AM
Mod 1-3	9:40 AM	12:00 PM
Mod 2-3	9:40 AM	11:30 AM
Mod 2-3	10:50 AM	12:00 PM
Mod 2-4	10:50 PM	1:50 PM
Lunch	12:00 PM	12:30 PM

Daily Attendance: For attendance issues or to report an absence, late arrival or early dismissal, please email wmhattendance@carrollk12.org or call the school at 410-386-1500 during normal business hours. Students who are tardy to school (unexcused) are not eligible to participate in extracurricular activities.

Students who arrive late, or need to leave early should report to the attendance office.

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Lockers

All Winters Mill students will receive a locker to use at school. It is recommended the locker is used to store coats, lunches and other bulky items. Students are permitted to carry their backpacks to class. Backpacks will be stored in classrooms per teacher direction.

Home Access Center (HAC)

Home Access Center is available for parents and legal guardians to login and view information pertaining to their student(s). Please follow these directions to login to your HAC account:

1. Go to the Carroll County Public Schools website at www.carrollk12.org.
2. Click on the 'Academics' link and then Parent and Student Resources. (Top Menu of CCPS Home page).
3. Need Help? Contact mystudent@carrollk12.org.

PE Uniforms

Uniforms can be purchased from the PE Department. Uniforms will be sold on the first day of classes when students review the course syllabus and expectations. Shirts are \$10 and shorts are \$10. Purchase in the My School Bucks store.

Getting Involved

Students will participate in a "Getting Involved" at high school lesson in the first week of school. Students will have the opportunity to sign up for the many clubs offered at Winters Mill HS. Come out to the Open House to learn more about the clubs and activities at Winters Mill HS.

Parents who wish to get involved can access our booster groups using the following email addresses:

- **Athletic Boosters** - President- Kiersten Meyers - Kierstenmeyers@gmail.com
- **Music Boosters** - President -Amy Gribble - wmhsimboosters@gmail.com
- **Drama Boosters** - President Jenn Deskiewicz - jenndesk@hotmail.com
- **WMHS Community Partnership:** wmcommunitypartnership@gmail.com

Student Handbook/CCPS Informational Calendar/Parent Handbook

Students are expected to follow all policies and procedures as outlined in the [CCPS Informational Calendar/Student Handbook](#) which can also be found on the [CCPS website](#). Winters Mill Student Handbook can be found on our [website](#).

From the Nurse

The Winters Mill High School Health Suite will be open on **August 29 (9am – 2pm), August 30 (10:30am – 2pm), September 1 (9am-2pm and 5:30pm – 7:30pm), and September 2 (9am-2pm)** to receive medications and medication orders for students attending Winters Mill High School this fall.

Medication forms expire at the end of the school year and need to be completed again for each year. Medication forms can be found in the Health Suite, Main Office, or on the [WMH website](#). Over the counter medication must be brought to school in an original, unopened container labeled for the intended student. Inhalers and epinephrine can be carried by student if a medication form is signed by a doctor and a parent, and then brought to the Health Suite. Ibuprofen and Tylenol (acetaminophen) can be administered by the nurse after a medication form is signed by a parent or guardian. All other medication, whether prescription or nonprescription, needs to have a doctor's (MD, NP, or PA) signature.

The following items are not considered to be medications and students can carry: Chap Stick/lip balm, non-medicated cough drops, saline and rewetting drops for contacts, saline nose spray, hand cream or lotion, sunscreen, waterless hand cleanser, salt tablets, and Glucose tablets.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 410-386-1500. Thank you.

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Schoology

Teachers will continue to use Schoology to post assignments and materials necessary for class. Students can access Schoology through Clever or at <https://carrollk12.schoology.com>

Parents can access their student's Schoology page. CCPS sends out access codes to parent emails for each of their students. Directions for setting up the account are [here](#). Additional information about the parent accounts can be found [here](#). The Parent Guide for Schoology is located [here](#).

Parent/Guardian Contact Information

All students will receive an Emergency Card from their advisor on the first day of school. Parents should review the emergency card and make any necessary updates. The email address and phone numbers provided on the emergency card are used to communicate with you! If your address changes throughout the school year, please notify the school. You will need to provide documentation to verify a new mailing address. All students are required to return an updated emergency card to the school by September 19th.

Arrival and Departure

Students who walk or ride the bus to school should enter through the main entrance or through the student entrance (student parking lot). Students who drive to school should park in the student lot and enter through the student entrance. Parents dropping students off to school should pull forward to the first cone and follow the instructions of the school staff in the parking lot. Doors open at 7am. Students may not use the staff entrance (stadium side). **Please see the attachment for details!**

Students are dismissed from school at 2:20. Students not under supervision of a staff member will need to leave the building by 2:50PM. Students riding the bus will exit to the front of the building. Students being picked up or driving should exit through the student entrance and abide by instructions of the staff working in the student parking lot.

CCCTC, Dual Enrollment and Work Release Students should review the attachment for expectations regarding arrival and departure from the building.

Parking Permits

All student drivers must have a valid 2022-2023 parking permit. The Winters Mill Parking Permit can now be requested and paid for on-line using MySchoolBucks. Permits cost \$20 per year and are only valid for parking at Winters Mill HS. The parking application must be completed in full and registration fee paid on-line. Once completed, please bring your driver's license and vehicle registration to the Main Office to pick-up your permit.

For students driving to school at the beginning of the school year: This form is due back to the main office by **September 20, 2022**. Tickets and fines may be issued after this date.

Food and Beverages

Breakfast and lunch shall be consumed in the cafeteria. However, students are permitted to have a water bottle with them in the classroom. ***Deliveries to Students During the School Day:*** Deliveries from outside food vendors are not permitted during the school day. Parents/guardians who have an item to drop off to their student should leave the item on the table outside the Main Entrance. We are unable to deliver or call students for items that are dropped off during the school day. **We are not responsible for items left unattended on the table.**

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FALCON EXPECTATIONS

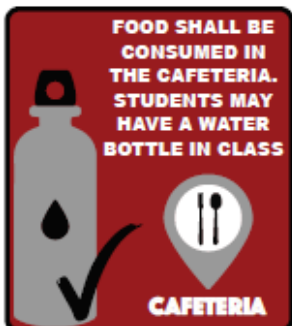


BE RESPECTFUL, USE
APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE,
& FOLLOW WMHS
ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY



BE ON TIME TO SCHOOL
& EACH CLASS,
PREPARED TO LEARN

A PAPER PASS IS REQUIRED
ANYTIME STUDENTS LEAVE
THE CLASSROOM



FOOD SHALL BE
CONSUMED IN
THE CAFETERIA.
STUDENTS MAY
HAVE A WATER
BOTTLE IN CLASS

CAFETERIA



ALL STUDENTS HAVE AN
ASSIGNED LOCKER. STUDENTS
MAY USE A BOOKBAG & ARE
EXPECTED TO STORE THEM IN
THE CLASSROOM AS DESIGNATED
BY THE TEACHER



WMHS IS AN ALCOHOL, DRUG,
& TOBACCO FREE ZONE.
POSSESSION OF E-CIGARETTES
& OTHER VAPING DEVICES
IS PROHIBITED



FOLLOW CCPS
DRESS CODE
POLICY
NO HATS OR
HOODS ON DURING
THE SCHOOL DAY

FOLLOW THE CCPS ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY.
PORTABLE ELECTRONICS SHOULD BE SILENT &
AWAY UNLESS DIRECTED BY THE TEACHER. ONLY ONE
EARBUD/HEADPHONE PERMITTED WHILE IN HALLWAY.
INAPPROPRIATE USE OF COMPUTERS, WEBSITES, &
SOFTWARE IS NOT PERMITTED



Violations of school expectations could result in disciplinary consequences. For additional information please see the [CCPS Student Services Manual](#).

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ATTENTION CLASS OF 2023

Throughout the school year, we will be emailing senior parents and students important information about senior activities and events. We use email as the primary communication tool, and will use **Class of 2023** in the subject line of all senior class communications so that you are able to stay up to date!

Senior Class Events:

- **Senior Portrait Make-Ups: September 8 & 9 in the Auditorium**
 - Students will receive appointment cards in the mail.
 - Seniors who have not yet had their senior photo taken can book appointments on <https://prestigeportraits.com>. Search by City & State to locate Winters Mill appointments.
 - **Graduation:** Wednesday, June 6, 2022 at 3PM at McDaniel College
- **Dates listed below are tentative.** Please check emails for updates.
 - September 23 - Crab feast
 - November 11 – Junior vs Senior Football Game
 - January 6 – Trivia Night
 - February 10 – Raffle/Bingo Night
 - March 10 – Senior vs Staff Basketball Game
 - April 12 – Junior vs Senior Volleyball Game
 - May 19 – Senior Breakfast

Instructions for Setting Up Your MySchoolBucks Account

You can pay electronically for things like PSAT, Parking Permits, Athletic fees, PE Uniforms and more using your My School Bucks account. To begin, you will need to create your free MySchoolBucks account to conveniently and securely pay for items listed in the Winters Mill My School Bucks store.

1. Go to myschoolbucks.com or download the mobile app
2. Create your free account and add your student(s) using their school name / student ID
3. Add items to your cart and complete on-line checkout procedure
4. Check out using your credit / debit card or electronic check (*A program fee may apply*).

We appreciate you using this on-line option as a way to help reduce the amount of physical cash and checks that our staff would need to handle for these school fees. If you need assistance with your account, you can find helpful how-to videos and answers to commonly asked questions by visiting myschoolbucks.com or you can contact MySchoolBucks directly by logging into your account to start a chat conversation or give them a call at (855) 832-5226.

WINTERS MILL HIGH SCHOOL HOURS

WMH doors open for students at 7:00 am. Class hours are 7:30 am - 2:20 pm. The first bell rings at 7:15 am, allowing students to go to their lockers and classrooms. A five-minute warning bell rings at 7:25 am. The final bell rings at 7:30 am, when students should be in their classroom ready to begin. Students not in their classrooms by the 7:30 bell are considered late to school. **An after school detention will be issued for the third unexcused.** After the fourth lateness to school, the student will be issued an after school detention and parent/student conference will be scheduled. Additional consequences such as Saturday School may be assigned after the 4th lateness to school.

After the 2:20 pm dismissal bell, students are expected to leave school grounds by 2:50 pm, unless under the direct supervision of faculty, staff or coaches.

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Underclassmen Picture Schedule 2022			
9/15/2022		9/16/2022	
9th GRADERS		10th GRADERS	
7:45 AM	Adkins - Ballantine	7:45 AM	Moore - Pettigrew
8:00 AM	Balsamo - Bonilla	8:00 AM	Phan - Sacks
8:15 AM	Bowers - Carter	8:15 AM	Sanchez - Singer
8:30 AM	Chaulk - DeLaCruz	8:30 AM	Smith - Torres
8:45 AM	Dean - Ferrante	8:45 AM	Trakney - Zendgraft
9:00 AM	Fields - Halle	9:10 AM	Eaves/Payne
9:15 AM	Hamilton - Jackson		
9:30 AM	Jacobs - Lauer	11th GRADERS	
9:45 AM	Lawson - Martinez	9:30 AM	Ritter, N
10:00 AM	May - Morales	9:45 AM	Alasha - Brilliant
10:15 AM	Moreland - Pollard	10:00 AM	Buckley - Corns
10:30 AM	Postlethwait - Sagastume	10:15 AM	Creamer - Dungee
10:45 AM	Sandridge - Soper	10:30 AM	Dunkleberger - Glennon
11:00 AM	Spiridiglozzi - Vasquez	10:45 AM	Glynn - Huynh
11:15 AM	Villalta - Zepp	11:00 AM	Hyman - Lee
LUNCH		11:15 AM	Leishear -Mkpasi
10th GRADERS		*LUNCH*	
12:30 PM	Adrian - Beal	12:30 PM	Monroe - Owens
12:45 PM	Benfer - Coco	12:45 PM	Parry - Rivera
1:00 PM	Coder – Dell	1:00 PM	Robbins - Soper
1:15 PM	Diaz - Gaeng	1:15 PM	Soriano - Torres
1:30 PM	Gamez- Jewell	1:30 PM	Towle - Wellnitz
1:45 PM	Johnson - Leon	1:45 PM	Welsh - Zepp
2:00 PM	Lepore- Meyers	1:55 PM	Students Who Missed 9/15 or 16

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Important Message from our Counselors

Greetings from the Winters Mill High School Counseling Department. We hope everyone had a restful summer!

As the school year begins, we ask that you review the reasons listed below regarding requesting a schedule correction. Students should only request an appointment if the requested change meets one of the criteria. Students and parents signed off on course requests in February and our master schedule is created using those course requests. Therefore, schedule adjustments for other reasons than those listed below aren't possible at this time.

Reasons for Schedule Correction:

- Hole in schedule/Please See Counselor
- Course scheduled has already been passed
- Senior is missing a graduation requirement
- Course is scheduled but prerequisite hasn't been met
- Need to reschedule a failed graduation requirement course
- Course is out of sequence (For example, Spanish 2, before Spanish 1)

If your student requires a schedule correction for one of these reasons, please have them obtain a form from the counseling office or from their advisor.

If your student is requesting to drop an Advanced Placement course, they must obtain approval from Mr. Brown who will then email the counselor.

If your student wants to make an appointment with a counselor, please visit the school counseling office and speak with Ms. Hobson.

If you have any questions, please contact your student's counselor. Click on the counselor's name in the Student and Parent Resource section of this newsletter.

PSAT Registration

Attention 10th & 11th Grade Students! The 2022 **PSAT** will be administrated at WMHS on *Wednesday, October 12th*. The PSAT is a great way to practice and get familiar with the format of the SAT. For 11th graders, the PSAT is also the qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarship Program, one of the largest recognition and scholarship programs in the country. Please complete the registration form below and make the payment of \$20. Payment can be through [MySchoolBucks](#), Cash (give to main office or counseling office), or Check (should be made payable to Winters Mill High School). Registration deadline is September 23rd. Contact Ms. Sentz for questions!

[PSAT Registration Form](#)

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Service Learning

Service Learning Requirement: 55 hours to obtain senior status, 75 hours to graduate.

Students may also earn service learning hours virtually and submit the hours using the online form:

<https://ext.carrollk12.org/servicehours/>

For more information about Service Learning please visit the [CCPS Website](#).

For specific questions about your student's service learning hours, please contact the school.

Watch Winters Mill Sports Online

Friends and family members who can't make the game will never miss a play again! Watch games from our main gym and our stadium, LIVE online.

Join the NFHS Network for full access to:

- All Winters Mill live and on-demand sports broadcasts.
- All other sporting events from around the Nation.

How to Watch:

- Visit www.NFHSNetwork.com
- Search for Winters Mill High School and go to our page.
- Subscribe and Follow.

Thank you for your continued support of Falcon athletics. We look forward to bringing you top notch broadcasts of our athletic events!

Naviance

CCPS subscribes to Naviance by Hobsons, an online program that provides students with college planning and career assessment tools. More information will be provided through advisory lessons throughout the school year.

<https://www.naviance.com/> (Main website)

[Naviance and Applying to College](#) (for Seniors)

Athletic Game Schedules & Tickets:

- Please click [HERE](#) for the Carroll County Athletic League
- All ticket purchases will be online this year using the GoFan platform.
- We will have signs with the QR code at all games that require a ticket to enter, and we will also have a card reader at those games for you to use as well.
- You can go to gofan.co (not .com) and type in the school name where the game is being played and the event should be there for you to click on to purchase tickets.

Pay Athletic Fees Online

Easily pay for your student(s) WMHS Athletic Fees online! Create your free MySchoolBucks account to conveniently and securely pay for your student's athletic fees on-line or with the mobile app. Go to myschoolbucks.com or download the mobile app

1. Create your free account and add your students using their school name / student ID
2. Add athletic fee's to your cart
3. Check out using your credit / debit card or electronic check

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Code of Academic Honesty

Academic honesty is an essential part of any school community. Winters Mill High School seeks to promote the importance of honesty as a basis of respect and cooperation among all students, teachers, staff, and administrators. Students must be aware of the following definitions, expectations and policies that make up the Code of Academic Honesty at Winters Mill High School.

Unless the assignment itself is designed to be a cooperative task or unless the teacher identifies specific conditions, the following acts and behaviors are examples of academic dishonesty:

- Plagiarism- using another person's work or ideas as your own (classmates, websites etc.) or other resources in a copy/paste fashion.
- Stealing a test or answer key.
- Using or making notes or "cheat sheets" during a test or quiz.
- Looking at another student's paper or computer while a test/quiz is in progress.
- Copying any work from another student, whether it be a formative or summative assignment or assessment.
- Copying work from an internet source verbatim and not citing appropriately.
- Talking during a test.
- Using an electronic device during an assessment to access notes, internet or another student. Often, any electronic device use during an assessment is considered cheating as teachers cannot verify for what the device is being used.
- Other forms of cheating determined as by a teacher.

The discipline for academic dishonesty may include (Violations are cumulative for the course):

- 1st offense: Zero on the initial assignment/assessment with an opportunity to redo the assignment/assessment or a similar one for reduced credit, referral into the discipline system and parent contact.
- 2nd offense: Zero on assignment, referral into the discipline system and parent/teacher/administrator conference.
- 3rd offense: Zero on assignment, referral into the discipline system, parent/teacher/administrator conference and grade of "F" for the marking period.

Dental Care at Winters Mill HS

Great news! Winters Mill High School has partnered with Smile Program, a mobile dentist to offer in-school dental care on **September 15, 2022**. Sign up your child today by completing the attached permission form or registering online at www.myschooldentist.com.

Even better, dental care is usually at no cost to you. All insurance is accepted including Medicaid and CHIP. For those without insurance, a low-cost self-pay option is available.

Convenient and comfortable

Our in-school dental program saves you time and provides a safe and comfortable place for your child to receive gentle dental care from licensed local professionals. Dental care includes a complete dental exam, x-rays, cleaning, fluoride, and sealants when necessary, and in some cases, restorative care such as fillings.

Dental care for a healthy life

Children who see a dentist regularly may have fewer health issues like:

- Early tooth loss caused by dental decay
- Gum disease
- Heart disease
- Impaired speech development

Help keep your child healthy, in school and learning. Simply complete the dental consent form and return it to your child's school nurse.

Vaccination Clinic

Carroll County Public Schools (CCPS) is working with the Maryland Partnership for Prevention (MPP) and Carroll County Health Department (CCHD) to help make sure your child is up to date.

We are hosting Back to School Vaccination clinics on **Thursday, September 8 and from 4 PM to 6:30 PM, and Wednesday September 14th from 4PM to 6:30 PM** at the following school:
Westminster West Middle School
60 Monroe St. Westminster MD, 21157

Vaccines Offered at Carroll County Back-to-School Clinics

- Tdap
- Meningococcal Meningitis (MCV4)
- HPV9
- Varicella (chickenpox)
- MenB

The clinics are for children ages 4-18. Please contact your medical provider, school nurse or CCHD to see if you are missing vaccinations.

You must accompany your child to this clinic. The vaccinations will be given, regardless of your insurance, at **no cost to you. You will NOT be charged a deductible or copay.**

Please DO NOT come to the clinic if you or your child has had a fever in the past day, felt sick, or been around someone who is sick. You and your child will need to wear a mask while at the clinic.

If you want your child to be vaccinated, please register for the clinic by clicking on the link below.

https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/organizations/aa9d08db-59cc-410a-ab00-ae9bc4d925cb/private_clinics

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact your medical provider, school nurse, or Carroll County Health Department at 410-876-4942 or 4949

We look forward to helping make sure your child is up-to-date and ready to learn!

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Student & Parent Resources

General Resources

- CCPS website: <https://www.carrollk12.org/>
- CCPS 2022-2023 Calendar: [Click Here](#)
- CCPS 2022-2023 Student Handbook: [Click Here](#)
- CCPS Home Access Center: [Click Here](#)
- Technical Issues Email: mystudent@carrollk12.org
- Service Learning Online Form: [Click Here](#)
- Winters Mill Website:
<https://www.carrollk12.org/schools/high/wmh>
- Winters Mill Student Handbook: [Click Here](#)
- Winters Mill Counseling: [Click Here](#)
- Winters Mill Extracurricular Activities: [Click Here](#)

Academic Resources

FLL Tutoring – After school Monday – Thursday from 2:30PM – 3:30PM in the Falcon Learning Lab. The lab is also open at 7AM for before school assistance.

- Monday- English and Math
- Tuesday – English and Math
- Wednesday – ASL, English and Math
- Thursday – English and Math

Peer Tutoring – Contact Ms. Swift or a school counselor if you are interested in working with a peer tutor during flex.

Counselors – Visit the counseling office to schedule appointments with your school counselor.

Flex – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday each week. This 30 minute session between mods 1 and 2 allows students to meet with teachers, access second chance learning or to work on school assignments. Students sign up to visit with individual teachers.

Winters Mill Administration Contact information

Administrator	Student Alpha	Email	Extension
Michael Brown		mcbrown@carrollk12.org	2228
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Winters Mill Counseling Staff Contact information

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CONSENT AND RELEASE

Permission to Photograph, Videotape or Audiotape

Throughout the school year, the Carroll County Public School System frequently covers school activities and may use your child's photograph, video image, or voice for educational, informational, or public relations purposes, with or without identification by name.

If you do not wish to have your child's voice reproduced on tape or to have his/her image appear in such things as a video or a photograph, or on the school or school system website or social media, please notify the school principal in writing. It is assumed that parents and guardians consent to their children being audiotaped, photographed, videotaped, or having their image placed on a school website or social media by the school system unless such notification is received.

There are also occasions when the media cover certain school events (such as when a government leader visits a school). If you do not wish to have your child's name or likeness published by the media, you should address your concerns directly to the school involved so that the media is so advised. Please be advised that the school system has no control over the media when they are covering activities such as sporting events and musical programs that are open to the public.

Use of Student Work on Websites or in Publications

There may be times throughout the year when the Carroll County Public School System wishes to display student work on school websites, social media, or in publications. If you do not wish to have your child's art, poetry, writing, etc. appear on school websites, social media, or in publications, please notify the school principal in writing. It is assumed that parents and guardians consent to their child's work being displayed on school websites, social media, or in publications unless such notification is received.

Parent Permissions

Every year parents are given the opportunity to opt their students in/out of certain information sharing processes and data collection initiatives. Parents are able to give, or not give, permission for the following items:

- Permission to Release Information to Military Recruiters (Default is Give Permission)
- Permission to Release Information to Higher Ed (Default is Give Permission)
- Consent for Student Participation in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (Default is Give Permission)
- Ability to opt out of receiving secure (encrypted) emails*. (Default is RECEIVE Secure Email-click box to OPT out)

*Instructions for opening SECURE emails can be found on the [CCPS website](#).

The primary guardian will receive an email in August with a link to the Parent Permission form. Paper copies of the Parent Permission form are also available in the WM main office. If parents/guardians want to make a change after completing the online form, they must complete the paper form.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Board of Education of Carroll County does not engage in discrimination that is unlawful or contrary to Maryland State Department of Education guidance on the basis of age, color, genetic information, marital status, mental or physical disability, ancestry or national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

The Board of Education of Carroll County is firmly committed to creating equal employment and educational opportunities for all persons by providing an environment that supports optimal academic achievement and productive work and is free from any form of unlawful discrimination, including access to school facilities, educational programs, and extracurricular activities.

The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Director of Human Resources, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157, (410) 751-3070.

ADA ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

Carroll County Public Schools (CCPS) does not discriminate on the basis of disability in employment or the provision of services, programs or activities. Persons needing auxiliary aids and services for communication should contact the Communications Office at 410-751-3020 or publicinfo@carrollk12.org, or write to Carroll County Public Schools, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157. Persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, may use Relay or 7-1-1. Please contact the school system at least one (1) week in advance of the date the special accommodation is needed.

Information concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act is available from the Director of Facilities Management, (410) 751-3177, or the Communications Officer, (410) 751-3020, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157.