



The Howler



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Important Numbers : Front Desk: 281-373-2303

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Calendar for March

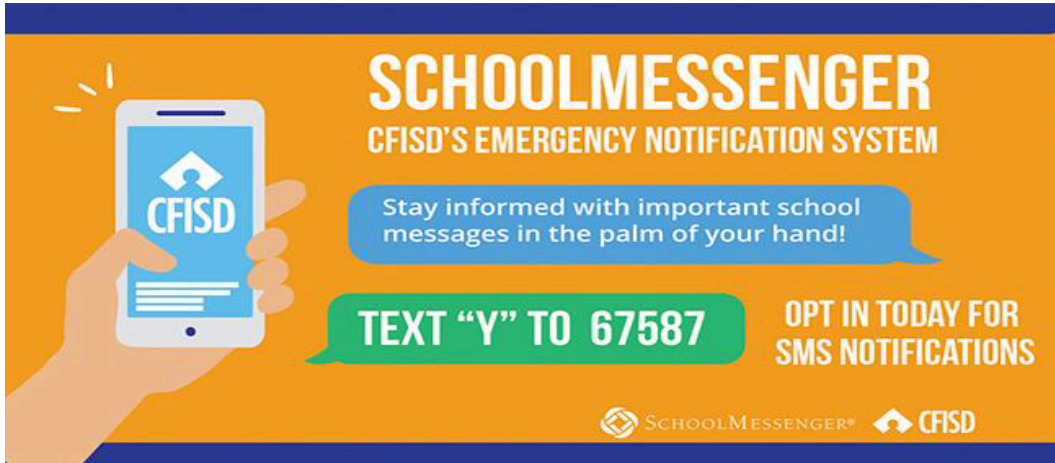
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
					1 Woodard Spirit Shop GEMS Kinder GlowDay	2
3	4 Pom Squad Dance Team Practices Book Fair National School Breakfast Week	5 <u>Book Fair Family Night</u> 1st grade Musical Chick fil-a Spirit 2nd field trip	6 Tutoring @ 8:00am YMOD Book Fair WOTR	7 Tutoring @ 8:00am Book Fair	8 <u>Woodard Rodeo Day/ No Visitors</u> Volunteer only GEMS Choir Book Fair	9
10	11 Spring	12 Break	13 Student/ Staff Holiday	14 Spring	15 Break	16
17	18 Class resumes Pom Squad Dance Team Practices Art Team	19	20 Tutoring @ 8:00am WOTR #7 Marco's Pizza KinderBox 1st grade field trip	21 Tutoring @ 8:00am	22 GEMS Choir	23
24 31	25 Pom Squad Dance Team Practices Art Team	26	27 YMOD @ 7:55am Tutoring @ 8:00am WOTR #8	28 Tutoring @ 8:00am	29 GEMS Choir	30

Wednesdays = College Day
Fridays = Spirit Day

Principal's Message

Parents,

We are asking that you opt into school messenger. This is where important messages will be sent from. Thank you for helping us keep the communication lines open!



Important Reminders:

- You must have valid identification to enter the building and to check out students. Forms that are accepted- Driver license or Passports that can be scanned not a copy on your phone.
 - Staff ID badges will only be accepted if visiting and signing into campus as district visitors. The above will apply if you are here as a parent.
 - When arriving at the campus please be patient when checking in as we have a limit to how many people can be in the front office at once. If you have to wait a few minutes, we apologize in advance.
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Nurses Corner

Link to the Nurses' webpage: [Clinic Website](#)

School Nurse: Denise Knippers RN

Clinic # 281-213-8240 | Fax # 281-373-2304 | Main #281-373-2303

Email denise.knippers@cfisd.net



What is happening in the clinic:

- **Donations:** The clinic is currently in need of clean/washed donations of elastic waist shorts, pants, and leggings for both boys and girls. We advise parents to send a full set of clothes for each student in their backpack daily, regardless of their grade level. Thank you for your cooperation and help.
- Please send any Vision, Hearing, Spinal or AN referrals back to the clinic. If your student is under the care of a specialist or you prefer to waive the referral please complete the bottom of the referral form and return as soon as possible.
- **See to Succeed** - Students who participated in the See to Succeed program will receive their glasses at Woodard in 6-8 weeks. I will be sending home your student/s glasses prescriptions (which is good for 1 year and valid anywhere you can purchase glasses) and a copy of any medical referrals if applicable. All letters will be sent home with your student when they receive their glasses.
- **ALL 5TH, EE & Pre-K** students will be **DUE for IMMUNIZATIONS for the 2024 - 2025 school year.** If your child that has turned 5 or 11 years old and you want to get a head start please send any updated **immunization** records via link - [UPLOAD IMMUNIZATION](#), denise.knippers@cfisd.net or a paper copy with your student to prevent your student from starting school on time for the 2024 - 2025 school year.
 - [Local Immunization Clinics](#)
 - You may review the letter by following this link: [PK Kinder 5th Immun letter.pdf](#) Students will not be able to start school year of 2024 -2025 without an updated immunization record.
- **Medication at school:**
 - **End of Year Medication pick - up** reminder emails have already been schedule to send on 5/1, 5/15 & 5/29/2024. Any medication in the clinic will need to be picked up no later than **2:00 PM on May 31, 2024** . You may choose for the clinic to discard of any left medication in the clinic by completing [Medication pick-up](#) before the last day of school.
 - All NEW medications must be brought to school by a parent or guardian in an unopened, age appropriate container. This includes cough drop, bug repellent and prescription medication. The clinic cannot accept or administer

- holistic, vitamins or non FDA approved medications. *To review policy follow link here - [Medication Policy](#)*
- Emergency Medication must include Action Plan for 2023-2024
- Action Plans, Medication Policy & More available at <https://www.cfisd.net/domain/788> Additional forms will be available. Review [Medication Policy](#) before bringing medication to school.
- Remember to keep kids home when **showing signs of any illness**. If they have fever, vomiting, diarrhea they must stay home at least 24 hours without medication before they can return to school.

LINKS:

[CLINIC WEBSITE](#) | [KEEPING SICK STUDENTS HOME](#) | [MEDICATION POLICY](#)
[UPLOAD LAB/MD HERE](#) | [UPLOAD FORMS](#) | [UPLOAD IMMUNIZATIONS](#)



News

Join us as we celebrate Read Across America week March 1-7. Be on the lookout for more information coming soon!!

Name That Book...Our 4th Grade Team, The Remarkable Readers, will be representing Woodard in the Regional Competition at the Berry Center on March 26, 2024 starting at 5:30 pm.

Book Fair- Our spring book fair will be set up and have previews the week of February 26-March 1. Sales will run March 4-8. Family night will be Tuesday, March 5th from 5-7 pm. The fair will be cashless. Only eWallets and credit cards will be accepted.

Set up an eWallet for your child or shop online at ...

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/woodardelementaryschool1>

Please see the note below.

The Woodard Library is excited to bring the Scholastic Book Fair to our campus. Your student will have the opportunity to browse a wide variety of books and other items available for purchase with proceeds benefiting our campus library. Participation is **optional**. Please discuss your expectations for purchases with your student before their visit to the fair. Scholastic will be sending materials recommended for students in PK - 5th grades.

If your student purchases a book that does not meet your discussed expectations, please email Rayann Croft before Friday, March 8, 2024 to exchange or refund the item. Students who have been opted out of library services in the parent portal will

not attend the book fair. If you have any questions about the book fair, please contact our campus librarian, and thank you for supporting our library.

Extra Curricular Activities

Our school website has all our club information on it. You will need to watch for the school cash link that will be emailed out when the club sponsors make them available. If you need help setting up the school cash, please click this link for more information.

https://www.cfid.net/cms/lib/TX50000664/Centricity/Domain/1045/Online_payments_English.pdf

In an effort to help the clubs, we are asking **that only the student enrolled in the club be dropped off or stay after school.** These activities are before and after school so only the club sponsors will be here at that time to watch the children. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Pom Squad - Mondays @ 7:45am (drop off starts at 7:25 am)

Dance Team - Mondays @ 4:15-5:20 PM- Late Pick up being @5:30 PM

Pup Squad- Thursday @ 7:45 AM

Choir - Fridays @ 7:45 AM

Drumline - Fridays @ 7:50 AM -has ended

Young Men of Distinction - Wednesdays @ 7:55 AM.- 3/6, 3/27

Yearbook - Thursdays @ 7: 45am -has ended

Wolves on the Run after school Wednesday @ 4:15 PM-3/6, 3/20, 3/27

Gems-Fridays @ 7:55 AM-3/8, 3/22, 3/29

Art Club Mondays @ 7:45 AM starting 3/18, 3/25

Counselor's Update:

Testing:

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child will participate in the District Benchmark assessments. Grades 3-5 will all take a Math and Reading test and 5th grade will have a Science test. The test will be given during the window of Feb 20th-Feb 29th. Testing will last for approximately four hours, however, if needed the students are eligible to test until the end of the day. This test mimics the STAAR test that we will be taking at the end of April.

Lunch visitors **will not be allowed** on Feb 20, Feb 21, Feb 22, Feb 27, and Feb 28. Our lunch and recess schedules have been modified due to the 4-hour testing window. Please make sure your child brings their lunch to school or purchases their lunch through the cafeteria.

Below is the detailed testing schedule.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Feb 12 Collect Laptops to leave on campus	Feb 13 Collect Laptops to leave on campus	Feb 14 Collect Laptops to leave on campus	Feb 15 Collect Laptops to leave on campus	Feb 16 Student Holiday
Feb 19 Student Holiday	Feb 20 4 th & 5 th Grade Reading	Feb 21 3 rd Grade Reading	Feb 22 5 th Science BM	Feb 23 Make-Up
Feb 26 Make-Up	Feb 27 4 th & 5 th Grade Math	Feb 28 3 rd Grade Math	Feb 29 Make-Up	March 1 Make-Up

Make-up testing can happen on any day during the testing window. Additionally, please avoid scheduling any doctor's appointments or trips that will conflict with the day of testing. If you already have something scheduled that cannot be moved, please reach out to your child's teacher if you know of a predetermined absence.

April STAAR Dates to help plan ahead for appointments.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
April 15	April 16 5 th /4 th Reading	April 17 3 rd Reading 4 th & 5 th make-up testing Reading	April 18 5 th Science 3 rd & 4 th make-up testing Reading	April 19 Last day for any Science and Reading make-up testing
April 22	April 23 5 th /4 th Math	April 24 3 rd Math 4 th & 5 th make-up testing Math	April 25 Any Math make-up testing	April 26 Last day for any math make-up testing

To help your child prepare for this test, we ask you to be sure your child gets a good night's sleep, he/she has a good breakfast on the mornings of the test, and that he/she arrives on time to for school. You can alleviate test anxiety for your child by encouraging his/her best efforts and reassuring him/her not to worry about the questions to be answered. A positive attitude exhibited by both you, the parent, and the student will be important before and during testing.

All students testing will utilize their district provided computer to facilitate testing, so we will collect laptops, and chargers for all students the week before testing to ensure any updates or issues with computers can be fixed before testing.

PBIS

Families we are looking for information to help grow our Positive Behavior Incentives. Please take a quick second to complete our survey. Thank you!



What is Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports? (PBIS)

PBIS is a school-wide approach to discipline for creating safer and more effective schools. The process focuses on improving a school's ability to teach and support positive behavior for all students.

- Students are acknowledged for consistent POSITIVE behavior.
- Direct instruction, comprehension, and practice of expectations will occur throughout the year.
- With PBIS, instructional time is more effectively used for teaching and the overall school environment is calm and conducive to learning.
- PBIS allows parents/guardians and teachers to have open communication about what is expected in all areas of the school.
- Students will grow their social skills and ability to respond to situational stressors positively.
- Replacement behaviors will be taught as necessary to ensure the success of the students in school and life!

How to support PBIS at Home:

- Review the PACK values with your child.
- Encourage your child to use kind words, actions, and choices.
- Ask your child what he/she learned at school daily.
- Make sure your child is prepared for class each morning.
- Ensure a good night's sleep.
- Provide a quiet time and space for your child to do homework nightly.
- Keep in touch with your child's teacher.
- Practice positive phrases with your child, such as, "Thank you," "Excuse me," and "I'm sorry."
- Be a visible part of your child's school day. Join PTO, volunteer, and attend other school activities as your schedule allows.

Matrices are reviewed and posted throughout the building. Consistent PACK language is used by students and staff to ensure expectations are clear.

Classroom	
Pride	Respect of self, others, and learning
Accountable	Responsible Ready to learn
Character	Kind Words Actions Choices
Knowledge	Know your PACK expectations!

6 SCHOOL SETTINGS

PBIS sets up school-wide expectations for locations such as:

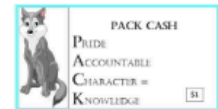
- Arrival/Dismissal
- Cafeteria
- Classroom
- Hallway
- Playground
- Restroom

What happens when your child is part of the

WOLF PACK?

Students are able to learn in an environment that is safe and engaging. Students can also earn incentives using

PACK CASH!



Volunteers



VOLUNTEERS

When you are volunteering on campus, please notify the front desk receptionist so your hours can be logged as volunteer time. If you volunteer after hours or weekends, you can log your hours manually. Visit the volunteer page at <https://apps.raptortech.com/Volunteer/Login/MzYxOlZvbHVudGVlcjplbi1VUw==>

Important Links



- Woodard [website link](#) for all up-to-date school info.
- [Parent Information Card](#) for quick reference school information.
- The Howler (Parent Newsletter) and Important Flyers [link](#).
- [School Messenger link](#)—To receive District and Woodard updates via email,

phone messages, and texts.

- [School Cash to register](#) and pay for items when those events come due.
- School Clubs [link](#).
- PTO Newsletter [link](#).
- PTO Facebook [link](#).
- PTO Sign-Up Genius for all Volunteer Opportunities [link](#).
- PTO REMIND 101 @woodardpto

