



# WILSON SCHOOL NEWS



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Woodrow Wilson Elementary School \* Hays, Kansas \*  
DECEMBER 2009

**OUR MISSION:** *We believe that all students in Wilson Elementary School can excel in all areas and become lifelong, enthusiastic, productive learners.*

### GREETINGS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our year continues to progress here at Wilson Elementary School. It seems like the days and weeks are flying by quickly right now with all of the holiday events and vacation times. Although it doesn't seem possible, the end of our first semester will be coming soon. The students and teachers have been working hard in the classrooms and a lot of learning is taking place. We continue to monitor our student achievement closely through various assessments and classroom assignments. One of the ways that students can be sure that they are getting the most from their classroom instruction is by completing the various assignments that they have on time and to the best of their abilities. Homework is often seen by students as a "punishment" or "something that the teacher just makes us do". Homework assignments are an extension of what has been taught in the classroom and helps to reinforce those skills being taught by the teachers. Completion of classroom assignments and homework is also teaching our students responsibility, which is one of the character words that we continue to emphasize with our students. If a student starts getting behind on assignments, it quickly snowballs and becomes difficult to get caught up again. Please encourage your child to do his or her best on all assignments and to do the assignments when they are given and get them turned in on time. Thanks!

Please continue to check our web site for information about Wilson School. We are constantly updating the site with new information, new links for students, staff, and parents to make use of, etc. The Website also has available for download or viewing the Yearly Calendar, Warrior Calendar, Specials Schedule, Recess Schedule, Lunch Schedule, Handbooks, etc..

Thank you for continuing to support your child with his or her learning. Please continue to read with your child each day, review the math fact flash cards, study the spelling word lists, and encourage him or her to review for those science and social studies tests! Your involvement with your child's education is crucial!

As always, please feel free to visit us here at school anytime. We appreciate the opportunity to work with you and with your child. Have a great Holiday Season!! tm



## WILSON SCHOOL WINTER CONCERT

**TUESDAY, DEC. 15<sup>TH</sup>  
6:30 P.M. – FELTEN GYM**

*Santa's Sweetshop  
before and after the  
Winter Concert*

*Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> - Felten Cafeteria*

*Sponsored by*

*Wilson*

*Home & School*



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**FHSU Basketball Game  
Benefits Wilson School**

The Wilson Singers will be performing the National Anthem at one of the FHSU Basketball Games on January 9<sup>th</sup>. This will be an excellent opportunity for the singers and also will benefit the Wilson School Music Department.

For that night, we will have a block of tickets that we can sell. Of each ticket that we sell, half of the price of the ticket will be donated back to the school. The check for our profits will be presented to the school during the half time of the game.

More information and a ticket ordering form will be sent out closer to January 9<sup>th</sup>. If you are planning to go to the game, please help out the Wilson Singers by buying your tickets from them!!



**SITE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MON, JAN. 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00 P.M.**  
**WILSON LIBRARY**

**WILSON  
HOME & SCHOOL  
FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

**GAMES, PRIZES, AND  
FUN FOR ALL**



**SATURDAY  
JANUARY 23, 2010  
4:00 – 8:00 P.M.**



**Wilson School Golden Rule Character Award  
November Recipients**

*Do you  
always  
treat  
others the  
way that  
you  
would  
like to be  
treated??*



*Kayla Satomi, Gabriela Arthur, Zach Wagner, Shane Berens  
Lauren Tucker, Kiersten Heaton, Halle Tophoj, Kaleb Hays, Madeline Mewhinney  
Caden Riat, Tyson Dinkel, Madison Geerdes, Blake Stieben*

**WEATHER**

We continue to practice with our students what we would do here at school if severe weather would move in during the school day. Also, as the winter season moves in, please pay close attention to announcements related to school closures, changes of events, etc. Information will be communicated through the USD #489 "Text Alert" System as well.

**WEATHER**

**December Birthday Celebration**  
*Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>*  
*with cookies at lunchtime!*

**January Birthday Celebration**  
*Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>*  
*with cookies at lunchtime!*

Tom Meagher - Principal  
 Nancy Stramel - Counselor  
 Ashley Allen - Morning/Noon Supervi:  
 Christine Anderson - Para Educator  
 Annette Barber - Grade 3  
 Janell Beilman - Grade 5  
 Staci Biskie - HS Assistant  
 Gloria Blackwell - Vocal Music  
 Cassie Blau - Computer Tech  
 Julie Brown - Grade 1  
 Amy Brungardt - WEAS Assistant  
 Jan Bunker - Speech  
 Jean Carter - Grade 3  
 Rose Carter - Custodian  
 Sherry Chaffin - Title I  
 Shauna Clark - Para Educator  
 Dee Conell - Nurse  
 Selma Cook - Cook  
 Joan Crull - Strings  
 Olivia Davenport - WEAS Assistant  
 Judy Dawson - Para Educator  
 Joyce Dinkel - Para Educator  
 Diane Eggleston - Cafeteria Supervisor  
 Jennifer Faas - Resource Room  
 Laura Fabrizius - Cook  
 Erin Flax - HS Asssitant  
 Amber Fulwider - WEAS Assistant  
 Reesa Gerhard - Para Educator  
 Teresa Gross - Art  
 Debbie Guffey - Cook  
 Kathy Harper - Grade 2  
 Ethan Hays - WEAS Assistant  
 Jill Hedlund - Kindergarten  
 Kayla Herrman - WEAS Assistant  
 Sarah Hubbell - WEAS Assistant  
 Megan Jachetta - WEAS Assistant  
 Sheila Jordan - Para Educator  
 Mia Knoll - Admin Assistant  
 Molly Kohl - Para Educator  
 Chelsea Lang - WEAS Assistant  
 Kenda Leiker - SPARK  
 Andrea McClain - Para Educator  
 Lindy McDaniel - ECSE  
 Matt Meagher - Morning Supervision  
 Jennie Meagher - Morning/Noon Supervision  
 Mandy Meagher - Kindergarten  
 Lori Morgan - Grade 1  
 Angela Moxter - Interrelated Room  
 Amy Neuburger - Resource Room  
 Paige Niernberger - Para Educator  
 Shayla Nix - WEAS Assistant  
 Christy Odegard - Library  
 Lyle Pantle - WEAS Assistant  
 Kristen Pfeifer - Grade 3  
 Mavis Pionalto - Para Educator  
 Larry Pray - Custodian  
 Joanne Reynolds - Grade 2  
 Hal Rogers - Adaptive PE  
 Janett Rogers - Para Educator  
 Renee Rupp - Para Educator  
 Candace Sage - Grade 2  
 Kim Schmeidler - Interrelated Room  
 Tammy Schoenthaler - Secretary  
 Lisa Schreck - Grade 1  
 Nicole Sharkey - WEAS Assistant  
 Lois Smith - Grade 5  
 Erica Spangler - Head Start  
 Tony Stegman - Head Custodian  
 Ashley Steiner - AM/Noon Supervision  
 Nan Sundgren - ELL Para  
 Stephanie Thompson - WEAS Director  
 Brenda Urban - Para Educator  
 Patty Weber - Health/PE  
 Stephanie Weber - WEAS Assistant  
 Laurenda Werth - Grade 4  
 Susan Werth - Physical Therapy  
 Andrea Wichers - EC Speech/Language  
 Tara Wildeman - Grade 4  
 Merresa Williams - Para Educator  
 Jonita Windholz - Kindergarten  
 Gera Lou Woofter - Title I Reading  
 Carolyn Young - Occupational Therapy  
 Stacie Zimmerman - Grade 3  
 Julie Zollinger - Psychologist



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# NEWS FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT



## WILSON SINGERS

Wilson Singers will meet in the music room at 7:30 a.m. on the following dates: Tuesday, December 1; Friday, December 4; Monday, December 7; Tuesday, December 8; Thursday, December 10; Friday, December 11; Monday, December 14; Tuesday, December 15; and Thursday; December 17.

The Wilson Singers will be going on tour on December 17<sup>th</sup>. We will sing at the following places: Centennial Towers-10:00 a.m., St. John's North-10:30 a.m., and down town Commerce Bank-11:00. You are welcome to come to the Commerce Bank for our performance. We would love to have you there. We will also be taping for the TV presentation of "Sounds of the Season." I do not have a schedule for that taping, yet. I will send a note as soon as it is scheduled along with the times of the TV broadcast. If you have any questions you may call me at school (623-2550) or at home (628-8356.) Mrs. Blackwell

## ELEMENTARY HONOR CHOIR

The Northwest District Elementary Honor Choir will present a concert at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 5, 2009 at Beach Schmidt Performing Arts Center. The choir has a membership of about 200 students from the northwest area of Kansas. The following students will be representing our school: Sierra Brown, Ana Goodlet, Laura Montgomery, Megan Smith, Rachel Taylor, and Anniston Weber with Jordyn Dake and Halle' Tophoj as alternates. Admission to the concert is \$2.00. The public is invited to attend. Please show you support and attend this outstanding Honor Choir Concert.

## WINTER MUSIC CONCERT

The Wilson Elementary Winter Concert will be held on Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Felten Middle School gym. The students are asked to arrive between 6:10 and 6:25 p.m. to be seated for the concert. Dress for the evening is good school clothes or holiday attire. The children are excited to share the music they have been preparing. Celebrate the winter season by joining us for an evening of wonderful songs. You can count on being filled with the spirit of the season. If you have any questions, you may call Mrs. Blackwell at 623-2550 (school) or 628-8356 (home).

## **A FACT ABOUT READING**

Time Spent Reading Each Day	Number of Words Exposed To
< 1 minute/day	8,000 Words/Year
4.6 minutes/day	282,000 Words/Year
20 minutes/day	1,800,000 Words/Year

**No School**  
 from  
**Dec. 21-Jan. 4**  
  
**Have a Happy**  
**Holiday Season**  
 with your  
**Families.**

# Home & School

## Executive Committee

President: Julie Zollinger -----650-0275  
 Vice Pres: Taryn Leiker-----625-0023  
 Secretary: Kerry Schuckman---635-3953  
 Treasurer: Mandy Ricke-----628-6695

## Committee Chairs

Special Events:  
 Jackie Lang -----625-8420  
 Charla Heaton-----623-2837  
 Hospitality:  
 Tami Robben -----625-5996  
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Fundraising:  
 Angie Werth -----625-6324  
 Stephanie Niernberger-----625-6988

Family Fun Night:  
 Julie Brown -----625-3746  
 Diana Hunsicker-----628-8193

Teacher Reps:  
 Patty Weber -----628-3066  
 Lori Morgan-----445-4026

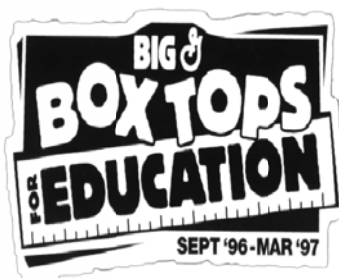
Principal:  
 Tom Meagher -----625-3685

*Home and School meetings are usually held the 2nd Thursday of the month in the library. All are welcome.*



### Snack Friday Dates for Dec/Jan

Fri., Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Fri., Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>



**\*\*\*\*Pop Tabs\*\*\*\***  
 Please continue to send in your pop tabs for the HHS DECA Club. They will be picking up our tabs every week as they continue working toward their goal.  
 Thanks!

# Please Help Our School



## **N O T I C E**

Please remember when you send snacks or lunches, that  
 we are a *peanut-free and tree-nut free school!!*

### **NW DISTRICT KANSAS MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION RECOGNIZES TWO WILSON SCHOOL EDUCATORS ON DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> - 12:30 P.M. FHSU BEACH/SCHMIDT AUDITORIUM**



**CONGRATULATIONS  
 TO  
 MRS. BLACKWELL  
 HONORED ELEMENTARY  
 MUSIC TEACHER!!  
 2009-2010  
 (34 YEARS IN EDUCATION)**



**CONGRATULATIONS  
 TO  
 MR. MEAGHER  
 HONORED ELEMENTARY  
 ADMINISTRATOR!!  
 2009-2010  
 (29 YEARS IN EDUCATION)**



# Turkey Recipes from 1S

## Turkey By Trey Adams

- 1 10 lb. turkey
- 1 tsp. sugar
- A dash of salt
- Spices
- A dash of pepper

Put the turkey in a pan. Sprinkle sugar and spices on top. Bake at 400 degrees F for 50 minutes. Add a dash of salt and pepper. Eat the yummy turkey!  
Serves 15

## Plain Turkey by Madalyn Stahl

- 1 12 lb. turkey
- 1 cup of gravy
- A dash of salt & pepper

Pour gravy on top of turkey. Add salt & pepper. Bake in the oven at 300 degrees F for 1 hour.  
Serves 14

## Popcorn Turkey By Travis Dreher

- 1 20 lb. turkey
- 1 bag of microwave popcorn
- 1 stick of butter

Pop the bag of popcorn in the microwave. Cut the turkey down the middle and stuff it with the popcorn. Melt the butter in the microwave and pour it on top of the turkey. Bake in the oven at 250 degrees F for 2 ½ hours. Eat it!  
Serves 8

## Mountain Dew Turkey By Dillon Gray

- 1 19 lb. turkey
- 1 can mtn. dew
- 1 cup chocolate chips

Put the turkey in a pan. Melt chocolate chips in the microwave for 30 sec. Pour chocolate and mountain dew over the turkey. Bake in the oven at 200 degrees F for 2 hours. Serves 12.

## Cherry Turkey By Kaitlyn Suppes

- 1 8 lb. turkey
- 1 bottle cherry juice
- 1 cherry

Pour cherry juice around the edge of the turkey. Put a cherry in the middle on top. Bake for 30 minutes at 425 degrees F. Enjoy!  
Serves 4

## Peanut Butter & Jelly Turkey By Sarah Jaquay

- 1 20 lb. turkey
- 1 small jar peanut butter
- 1 small jar grape jelly

Bake turkey in the oven at 300 degrees F for 4 hours. Slice the turkey and put on your plate. Put a spoonful of peanut butter & jelly beside the turkey. Serves 10

## Marshmallow Turkey By Austin McGuire

- 1 20 lb. turkey
- A dash of salt
- 10 bags of marshmallows
- A dash of pepper
- 3 cheese sticks

Stuff the turkey with marshmallows and cheese sticks. Bake turkey in the oven for 1 hour at 500 degrees F. Add a dash of salt & pepper.  
Serves 10

## Grape Turkey By Avianna Valdez

- 1 10 lb. turkey
- 1 bunch of green grapes

Put turkey in a pan. Bake for 1 hour at 300 degrees F. Serve with grapes on the side.  
Serves 5

## Hot Wing Turkey By Jamie Curlo

- 1 25 lb. turkey
- A dash of salt
- 6 hot peppers
- A squirt of milk

Put turkey in pan. Squirt milk on top of the turkey. Stuff the turkey with the hot peppers. Bake in the oven for 3 hours at 450 degrees F. Surprise! It's Turkey Time!  
Serves 4

## Peanut Butter Turkey By Dalyn Schwarz

- 1 12 lb. turkey
- A dash of salt
- 1 jar of peanut butter
- A dash of pepper

First cut open the turkey. Then spread peanut butter on the sides of the turkey. Add salt & pepper. Bake in the oven at 300 degrees F for 1 ½ hours. Time to eat! Serves 4

## Crispy Turkey By Brandon Musil

- 1 20 lb. turkey
- A dash of salt
- 1 can Dr. Pepper
- A dash of pepper
- 1 cup oil

Brush turkey with oil. Put the turkey on the grill until crispy. Put the turkey in a pan and pour Dr. Pepper on top. Add salt & pepper. Crispy turkey!  
Serves 4

## Mr. Turkey By Adrian Sanders

- 1 15 lb. turkey
- ½ stick of butter
- ¼ tsp. salt
- ½ tsp. pepper
- 5 lemons, sliced

Put the turkey in a pan. First cut the turkey in ½. Rub the butter on the turkey. Place lemons around the turkey. Add salt & pepper. Bake in the oven for 51 minutes at 200 degrees F. Take out and let it cool for 2 minutes. Now it's ready to eat! Serves 11

## Alphabet Turkey By Carter Knox

- 1 20 lb. turkey
- 1 can alphabet soup
- 5 cups water
- 1 can chicken noodle soup

First, cut open the turkey. Next pour in alphabet and chicken noodle soup. Then pour the water on top. Bake the turkey for 1 hour and 5 minutes at 100 degrees F. Re-open the turkey, scoop out the soup and put the turkey back in the oven for another hour at 400 degrees F. Put the soup back inside the turkey and eat! Serves 9

## Candy Turkey By Sam Rider

- 1 10 lb. turkey
- 1 small bag jelly beans
- 1 Hershey's bar
- 2 containers of green icing

First cut the turkey down the middle. Next spread icing on top. Break up the Hershey bar and place on top of the turkey. Bake in the oven for 600 minutes at 350 degrees F. Take the turkey out of the oven and put the jelly beans on top. Then you can eat and enjoy!  
Serves 6



## Turkey Recipes from 1S

### Barbecue Turkey By Hunter Harris

1 30 lb. turkey  
2 jars BBQ sauce  
A dash of pepper  
4 tsp. seasoned salt

Put the turkey in a pan. Poke a few holes in the turkey. Add salt & pepper on top and inside the holes. Pour BBQ sauce on top and inside the holes. Bake in the oven at 400 degrees F for 4 hours. Add more salt & pepper and EAT & ENJOY! Serves

### Pumpkin Pie Turkey By Maggie Robben

1 15 lb. turkey  
1 medium-sized pumpkin  
1 pie crust  
1 can whipped cream

Cut the stem off of the pumpkin and take out all of the seeds. Slice the pumpkin into pieces. Cut the turkey open and place the pumpkin slices inside the turkey. Place the pumpkin-filled turkey in the pie crust and bake in the oven for 2 hours at 400 degrees F. Take out of the oven and let cool for 1 minute. Spray whipped cream on top and you are ready to eat! Serves 10.

### M & M Turkey By Madison Geerdes

1 15 lb. turkey  
5 small bags of plain m&m's  
1 jar of chocolate icing

Cut the turkey down the middle and stuff with m&m's. Put turkey in a pan and add m&m's around the turkey, too. Bake for 30 minutes at 100 degrees F. Spread chocolate icing on top and enjoy! Serves 10.

### Chocolate Chip Turkey By Lavinia Hagan

1 30 lb. turkey  
2 bags of chocolate chips  
2 cups water

Put the turkey in a pan. Pour water and chocolate chips on top. Bake in the oven for 2 hours at 400 degrees F. Cut the turkey and eat! Serves 7.

### Pecan Pie By Hope Schumacher

1 bag of pecans  
1 can pie filling  
1 pie crust  
1 container of cool whip

Make the crust. Pour pie filling inside the crust and put pecans on top. Have your mom help you bake it in the oven for 45 min. at 320 degrees F. Slice the pie and put a scoop of cool whip on each slice.



## 1M tells us "How to Cook a Turkey"

### How to Cook a Turkey By Jessica

First, I buy a turkey. Next, you take it home. Then you take it out of the wrapper. Then you put it in the oven. Turn the oven to 20 degree and then you cook it for 5 hours. Take it out of the oven. Cut the turkey up and put it on a plate. Finally, you eat it.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Alisha

First, I buy the turkey. Next, I take the turkey home. Then I take the turkey out of the cara. Then I put it in a pan. Then I put seasoning on the turkey. Then I set it on 20 degrees and I cook it for 100 minutes. Then I put it in the oven. Then I eat it!

### How to Cook a Turkey By Taylor

First, I go to the store. Then my dad got the turkey out of the sack. Then my mom put the turkey in the oven. Then we eat it.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Freddy

First, you go to the store. Then you cook it in the oven. Then you put it in the microwave. Then you eat it.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Alex

First, I went to the grocery store. Next, I went home to bake the turkey. Then we eat!

### How to Cook a Turkey By Allison

First, I go to the store. Then I bring it home. Next, I take it out of the sack. Next, I set it to 100 degrees. Next, my mom took a knife and my mom cut it. Next, when the timer went off my mommy put it in the oven. Next, my mom took it out of the oven. Next, we waited till it cooled off. Next, my mom goes to check if it was cooled off and it wasn't cooled off. So we waited some more. Next, my mom went to check it again and it was cooled off. So we can eat it. Finally, we go to bed!

### How to Cook a Turkey By Kaitlyn

First, I buy a turkey. Then I take the sack off the turkey. Then I put the seasoning on the turkey. Then I set the oven to 20 degrees. Then I put the turkey in the oven. Then I let the turkey bake. Then I take the turkey out of the oven. Then I let the turkey cool down. Finally, we get to eat it!

### How to Cook a Turkey By Tayshaun

The Mounties are going hunting. They stuffed it. We are going to bake it inside by the fire!

### How to Cook a Turkey By Colter

First, my grandpa and I butcher a turkey. My grandma cooks the turkey. Then we eat it.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Macey

First, my mom goes to the store to buy a turkey. Next, I get to my house. Then I put on some seasoning. Then bake it at 30 degrees. We wait a little while before we take it out of the oven. Finally we eat it.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Austin

I get the turkey outside from the grass. My mom gets the turkey from outside too. Then my mom does put the turkey in the oven. Then we eat it.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Ashton

First, I go to the store. Then I go home. Then I put the sauce on the turkey. Then I eat.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Chase

First, I go to the store to get a turkey. I put the turkey in a pot. I put the turkey in the oven.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Treyton

I go to school. Then I go to my teacher! I ask my teacher to get a turkey. Then I go home to bake a turkey. Then I eat it.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Madison

First, I go to the store to get a turkey. Then my mom and I get the turkey in the microwave. We make it to 100 degrees. Then we take it out. We get to eat.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Jonathan

First, I go to the farm and get a turkey. Next, I stuff it and put it in a pan. Then we turn the oven to 99 degrees. Then we put the turkey in the oven. When it's done, we eat it.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Brent

First, I go to the store. I take it home and put it in the freezer. Then it is too cold so I put it in the oven for 100 minutes. Then it is too hot so we let it cool down.

### How to Cook a Turkey By Blake

First, I go to the grocery store to get a turkey. Then I put on the seasoning. Then I put it in the pot. Then I bake it in the oven for 6 hours. Then I eat it.