



October 8, 2021

*"Every day may not be good, but there is something good in every day." - Unknown*

## Winton Woods District on November 2021 Ballot for Emergency Levy

On Tuesday, November 2, 2021, Winton Woods City Schools will have a 5-year emergency levy on the ballot. This crucial levy would generate \$3 million annually for operating expenses, which includes instructional services, maintaining all educational and extracurricular opportunities for every student. It would also provide funding for key identified areas of need including the sustainability of our 5-star preschool program and all-day kindergarten, increased enrollment, and additional school resource officers. The last time an emergency levy was passed was 2009.

This levy will continue to provide the funds for essential day-to-day operational expenses such as high-quality staff, utilities, classroom technology for all students, supplies, and equipment. There will unfortunately be consequences if the levy does not pass. "We did not make cuts this year but will need to cut 45 teachers and 45 staff members if this levy does not pass," said Superintendent Anthony G. Smith. "When educational cuts occur, it hurts the educational system for many years to come."

District Treasurer Randy Seymour said Winton Woods District has not had an increase in operating expenses (new money) since 2009, which equates to twelve years. Each household in the \$100,000 price value will pay \$16.21 per month, which equates to \$194.60 per year. The bond passed in 2016 provided the funds for the construction of the new facilities. These tax dollars will cover the costs of what happens inside them. We are very grateful for our taxpayers' support and the love they have shown for our children, our schools, and our community.

Where do campaign funds come from? The district cannot fund the campaign to encourage residents to vote for this levy. However, a group of parents and community members has formed a committee called Citizens for Educational Progress and School

Issues (CEPSI) to generate support for the levy that will be on the November 2 ballot. Our children, our parents, and our community deserve the best to ensure Winton Woods City Schools will continue to become a proud district of destination.

## Community Invited to Winton Woods City Schools' October Concerts

October is full of free music in Winton Woods City Schools, and the public is invited to attend. Band Night kicked off the concert season for the district as Winton Woods High School and Alumni band musicians performed at the homecoming football game on Friday, September 17. Dani Ashbrook, band director at the high school, said the Marching Band Concert on Wednesday, October 20, is another opportunity to experience the songs of the season.

"This is a unique and cool concert," said Ashbrook. "The marching band literally lines the auditorium and plays toward the guests. The audience gets an up close and personal experience with live music because the students are playing right in front of the guests from the sidelines. It is a really cool experience." The band will play through all the songs of the season, opening with the "Star Spangled Banner" and "Alma Mater." The Marching Band Concert will take place in the David Bell Performing Arts Center at the North Campus Winton Woods High School at 7:00 p.m. sharp on October 20.

The lineup of fall concerts will also include our talented vocalists from the Winton Woods High School choirs and a cappella groups. The choir will host their first concert of the season on Tuesday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. in the David Bell Performing Arts Center. Winton Woods High School Director of Choirs Beth Miller, said the Varsity Ensemble will perform "Sing Gently" by Eric Whitacer, "Tjak!" by Steven Hatfield. Bella Voce will sing the "Cedar Swam" arrangement by Jay Broecker and "I Am His Child" by Moses Hogan. The Men's Ensemble will sing "The Lion Sleeps Tonight" and "Fly me to the Moon" arranged by Roger Emerson. The Women's Chorale will sing "Kye, Kye Kule" arranged by Greg Gilpin and "Bhombela" arranged by Will Skaff.

Kelsey DeMange, who directs the school's a cappella group, said there will be an a cappella concert on Thursday, October 28, featuring popular songs from the social media app Tik Tok like "Electric Love" by Born, "Tonight You Belong to Me" and artists like by Billie Eilish and Bon Iver. "I know they heard these songs all summer, so I made them into arrangements," said DeMange. The concert will also feature the Winton Woods High School Jazz Band under the direction of Jordan Habel, band director.

The month of music would not be complete without a performance from the string orchestra. The Winton Woods High School and Middle School orchestra will have their first concert of the season on October 26 at 7:00 p.m.

# Winton Woods City Schools Invites Community to Tailgate



A time of fun, food, and Warrior celebration. Winton Woods City Schools invites its community to attend its exciting spirit-filled tailgate on October 15 from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Charlie Fredrick Stadium parking lot. We encourage everyone to bring a friend, family member, or neighbor to enjoy an evening of free food, giveaways, music, face painting, and fun activities. This event is to celebrate Warrior Pride and

to show our appreciation for our Warrior Family. The varsity football game will follow promptly at 7 p.m. against Walnut Hills as well as our exciting senior night. Tickets will be sold for \$8 at the gate. Let's go Warriors!

PHOTO CAPTION: Winton Woods City Schools students face paint and celebrate Warrior pride at the district's tailgate from 2019. Photo by Drew Jackson.



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## WWCS Offers Family University to Warrior Families

Winton Woods City Schools is excited to offer its Family University for students in Grades PreK-6 on Tuesday, October 19, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the South Campus and for students in Grades 7-12 on Thursday, October 21, from 5 p.m. to 8

p.m. in the North Campus. This event is designed to provide parents, guardians, community members, and anyone who has an important role in the lives of our scholars with helpful resources to support them. Stakeholders can look forward to short informational sessions about Social Media for Middle Schoolers, the ACT, COVID-19

Safety Information, Financial Aid, Mental Wellness, and much more. All sessions and resources will be saved and available for your convenience year-round at [www.wintonwoods.org/familyu](http://www.wintonwoods.org/familyu).

## Winton Woods City Schools Board of Education Vacancy Replacement Process and Timeline

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3313.11, the Winton Woods City School District Board of Education will officially open the process to fill its upcoming vacancy for a school board member position on Tuesday, October 5, 2021. The Board is required by statute to fill the position within thirty days – in this case no later than Monday, October 25, 2021.

Interested applicants must submit a letter of interest, an application and résumé including references to the address below. Applications may be submitted starting on Tuesday, October 5, 2021. Applications must be received by the Board Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 11, 2021. Applicants should be aware that any materials submitted are subject to public review under the Ohio's Open Records Act. The application is available on the Winton Woods City Schools website at [www.wintonwoods.org/boardofeducation](http://www.wintonwoods.org/boardofeducation).

Applicants are required to be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen, a resident of the Winton Woods City School District, and registered to vote in the Winton Woods City School District.

The Winton Woods City Schools Board of Education will review the applications received. Though not all applicants may be interviewed, applicants should be aware of the scheduled day of interviews, Monday, October 18, 2021, and be prepared to make plans accordingly.

The Winton Woods City Schools Board of Education presently intends to vote to appoint the successful applicant at a meeting on October 18, 2021. The new board member will be expected to attend the regular meeting on Monday, October 25, 2021, to be sworn into office at 6:30 p.m.

Serving on the Winton Woods Board of Education is a significant commitment. Board members attend twice monthly meetings as well as Special meetings which are called based on the needs of the District.

Once appointed, the successful appointee shall serve through calendar year 2023. The appointee will have the opportunity to run for election with the election to be held in November 2023.

For information and application regarding the board of education member vacancy, go to <https://www.wintonwoods.org/Content/boardofeducation>.

Applications and Inquiries should be directed to:

Winton Woods City Schools Board of Education  
Jeanette Jordan, Executive Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent  
825 Waycross Road, Suite A  
Cincinnati, OH 45240

# Weekly Warrior Highlights

This morning, students in Grades 1-6 enjoyed a sweet treat with their principals for being selected as the September students of the month. Congratulations Warriors!



**\$1,000 HIRING BONUS**

(CALL FOR DETAILS)

**BUS DRIVERS  
NEEDED**



**Paid Training  
Provided**

**513-619-2300**  
WINTON WOODS CITY SCHOOLS

Winton Woods City Schools is hiring new bus drivers and bus aides for the 2021-2022 school year. To schedule an interview, please call [\(513\)619-2300](tel:5136192300).

**FOOD SERVICE JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

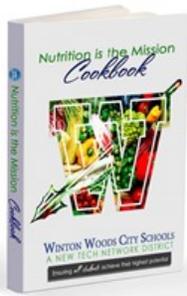


*Our Food Service Department  
is offering new job opportunities.  
To schedule an interview,  
CALL 513.619.2300*

Our Child Nutrition Department is offering new job opportunities. To schedule an interview, please call [\(513\)619-2300](tel:5136192300).

Do you still have questions or concerns about getting the COVID-19 vaccine? You're not alone. Check out this helpful article for facts and information. [#StaySafeWarriors](https://bit.ly/2XTXMtN) <https://bit.ly/2XTXMtN>





Join us in creating a Warrior Community Cookbook! Submit your delicious, nutritious and cultural recipes for consideration at <http://ow.ly/EZXE30o5BIC>.

Júntanos con la creación de un libro de cocina. Entrega unas recetas deliciosas y nutritivas para nuestra consideración.



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**EVENT CALENDAR**

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