



WARNER MIDDLE SCHOOL

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FALL 2025

Principal's Message

Welcome back, Warner Middle School students and families!

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer. As we begin a new school year, I'm excited to welcome both returning families and those who are new to our community. I look forward to working together to make this a successful, positive, and enriching year for every student. At Warner, we are committed to creating a safe, supportive, and engaging learning environment where all students can grow academically and personally.

Thank you for being a vital part of our school family—I can't wait to see all that we will accomplish together this year!

Sincerely,
Dr. Jamie Simpson



Fall Open House

We are excited to invite all families to our Warner Middle School Open House on August 14th, from 3:30 to 7:00 PM!

This is a great opportunity to pick up your student's schedule, meet their teachers, and get a feel for the upcoming school year.

While you're here, enjoy a snack and connect with our staff and school community — including your **WMS**

Administrative Team:

- Rick Newssock - 8th grade Assistant Principal/Athletic Director
- Rebecca Kleinhenz - 7th grade Assistant Principal
- Corey Burnette - 6th grade Assistant Principal

School Counselors:

- Maggie Hawes, 8th grade
- Ashley Gloor, 7th grade
- Faith Chapman, 6th grade

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Open House
Thursday, August 14, 3:30-7:00 p.m.

First Day of School
Tuesday, August 19

Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
Monday, September 1

End of 1st Quarter - Report Cards
Thursday, October 16

NO SCHOOL
Friday, October 17

Report Card Fair
October 30, 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Find school supply lists for every grade at
wms.xeniaschools.org.



Scan the QR code
to find supply lists
by grade.

Student Drop-Off & Pick-Up

For the safety and supervision of all students, we kindly ask that parents follow procedures for drop-off and pick-up:



MORNING

School begins promptly at 7:30 AM, so students should arrive with enough time to prepare for the day. Students should not be dropped off before 7:00 AM.



AFTERNOON

Afternoon dismissal is at 2:05 PM, and we appreciate your cooperation in picking students up promptly at that time. Your support helps us maintain a smooth and safe start and end to each school day.



Stay Connected

Make sure you know what is happening at Warner! In addition to watching for messages through ParentSquare, we encourage all parents and guardians to be on the lookout for upcoming Warner Middle School family events throughout the school year.

These events are a great opportunity to connect with teachers, staff, and other families while getting involved in our school community. From family fun nights to academic showcases and parent workshops, there will be something for everyone. Be sure to check your email, our school website, and newsletters regularly so you don't miss out on these exciting opportunities to support your child's education and build lasting connections.

Cell Phone Policy: Away for the Day

Again this school year, we are continuing the cell phone policy called "Away for the Day."

Under this policy, all students are required to keep their cell phones securely stored in their lockers from the beginning of the school day until dismissal.

This change is designed to minimize distractions, support a focused learning environment, and encourage face-to-face interactions among students. We believe that limiting cell phone use during school hours will help improve academic performance and overall student well-being.

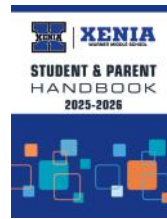
Read more about this and other policies & procedures in the WMS Student & Parent Handbook.

Transportation

Bus lists will also be posted during the event—if you have any questions after reviewing your student's bus information, please don't hesitate to call transportation at (937) 372-3876.



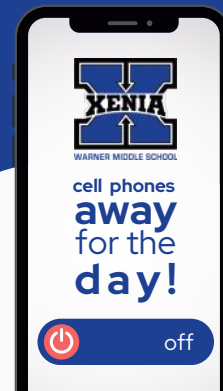
Student & Parent Handbook



Find the 2025-2026 WMS Student & Parent Handbook online at wms.xeniaschools.org.

At Warner, we are...

**FOCUSED
on Learning**





School Fees

General Academic Fee: \$0

Athletic Fee: \$100 per student, per sport
(cap at \$200 per participant/\$400 per family per year)

Fees will be charged for Chromebook repairs, or to replace lost chargers or other school-issued equipment or supplies.

MAKING PAYMENTS IN PERSON

Families may choose to pay their fees in person at their student's building with cash, check, or credit card. Families with multiple students may pay for all students at any of their children's school building.

MAKING ONLINE PAYMENTS

Xenia Community Schools uses PayschoolsCentral to process all online payments. Parents can create an account online; accounts can also be managed through the app available on Google Play or the App Store. Setting up an account is simple, and parents can link to students using their ID number.



Scan the QR code to go to
[PaySchoolsCentral.com](https://PayschoolsCentral.com)

Note that convenience/processing fees apply to all online payments.



Breakfast & Lunch

Breakfast and lunch are free for all students again this year.

As in previous years, all a la carte options are still available for purchase at Warner Middle School. Students may also purchase a second regular meal.

For students who choose to purchase a la carte food items in the cafeteria, you can choose to add money to your child's account balance online using your PaySchoolsCentral account. In fact, now is a great time to add to your child's balance so that they don't have to carry cash to school!

Students may also choose to pay in cash for those items, but should note that effective August 19, 2025, any "change due" for a purchase made with cash will be issued as a credit on their individual lunch account rather than in cash. This account balance can be used for future purchases and can roll over from year-to-year. Any account balance can also be refunded by request upon leaving the District (at withdrawal or graduation).



Chromebooks

Students in 6th grade will receive a new Chromebook, charger, and computer case. It is their responsibility to take care of it, and will be carrying it home each day for homework.

Chromebooks for 7th and 8th graders were collected last year, and will be redistributed within the first week of school. Bring your case with you to school.

Tips from Technology: Chromebook Care 101

Taking good care of your device is the responsibility of every student and family! (see the AUP in Final Forms)

- Keep your Chromebook on a flat surface, such as a table or a desk.
- Do not leave it on the floor where someone can step on it!
- Do not pile anything on top of the Chromebook, such as books or other heavy objects.
- Be sure there is nothing on the keyboard when you close the Chromebook. This can damage the screen and keyboard, and may result in fees assessed to your student account.
- Keep all food and drink away from the Chromebook.
- Cords, cables, and removable devices should be inserted and removed carefully.
- Clean screens with a soft, dry cloth (eg: microfiber)
- Do not spray any liquid on the keyboard to clean it. Spray it on a cloth first, then wipe the device. Use a cleaner that is 70% isopropyl alcohol mixture.
- Store the device and charger in a cool dry area.

What if my device is damaged?

Families are responsible for maintaining the device, and must return all equipment in good working order, including chargers.

If you damage your device, the district will repair or replace the device. All fees will be billed to the student's family account:

- Cost to repair a device: \$50
- Cost to replace a device: \$300
- Replacement chargers are available for purchase in the WMS and XHS office.

Accessing Your Device

Computer Log In

Username: school email address

Password: Student ID

Note: Student gmail accounts are generally formatted by last name, first/middle initials & graduation year. For example, a student who is part of the class of 2038 named Jane Ann Doe would be `doeja_2038@xeniaschools.org`.

Transporting Devices

Students in grades 6-12 are responsible for having the Chromebook and charger with them every day.

Every Chromebook is issued with a protective case, and students are encouraged to keep their device protected when not in use.