



Worthington Kilbourne High School
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Dear Parents and Guardians of Incoming Freshmen,

We are very excited that your child will be attending Worthington Kilbourne High School, and we look forward to seeing them at our **9th Grade Orientation Day on Wednesday, August 17** from 8:40am-3:20pm. Our Link Crew Program will help get your 9th grader off to a great start!

Link Crew is a nationwide program designed to welcome and support 9th graders by connecting them with Link Leaders, who are positive, responsible, hand-selected 11th and 12th graders. Your student's Link Leaders will help them feel more comfortable as well as help them achieve success in their first year of high school.

The following is some information to let you know what your student can expect on the first day of school:

- 1.** Your child will receive an invitation to the 9th grade only orientation sent via their school email. If they have not received the invitation by August 15, please email Emerson Goldenbagen or Courtney Bode at egoldenbagen@wscloud.org and cbode@wscloud.org to request one.
- 2.** A day or two before orientation, your child will also receive a phone call from their Link Crew Leader personally inviting them to orientation day. The Leaders can also answer any questions they may have. Link Leaders will not be calling with any new information other than what is shared on the student invitation, so do not be concerned in the event that your child does not receive a call. Please make sure your student's phone number is updated on Infinite Campus to help ensure a phone call (Link Leaders will call the parent number on file if a student phone number is not listed).
- 3.** Buses will provide transportation to and from school on their regular schedule.
- 4.** Your student must bring a hard copy of their class schedule to walk their classes. Your student is encouraged not to bring backpacks, purses or other similar items as the day is quite active.
- 5.** At freshman schedule pick up, 9th graders will receive a Class of 2025 t-shirt as a gift from the PTO that they should wear to orientation--yes, all students actually wear the shirt! If your child is unable to attend freshman schedule pick up on August 10th, please pick up a t-shirt in the Counseling Center prior to orientation. Because the day is active, please make sure that your student wears comfortable clothing that does not restrict movement.
- 6.** Your student should plan to eat a pizza lunch provided by the WKHS Activities Club and enjoy an ice cream treat provided by our local Worthington Dairy Queen. A gluten free option will be available, but your child is permitted to pack their own lunch if they have other dietary needs or preferences.

This is a student-only function so we encourage you to let your child attend on their own. We look forward to a great orientation day!



The WKHS Link Crew Coordinators,
Emerson Goldenbagen and Courtney Bode