

WWMS Parents,

As the school year approaches, I would like to welcome you back to Wilbur Wright Middle School. There are a couple of announcements I wanted to be sure you were aware of before registration begins on Monday. The first item is the timing of the laptops. Our technology team did an excellent job in getting the upgraded model of the Dell laptop computers for the students this year. As you could probably imagine, trading in over 2,700 laptop computers is no small task. The computers have just started arriving and will need to be re-imaged and prepared to be handed out to students. Because of this, it will likely be at least two weeks into the school year before the students will receive their laptops. The teachers are aware of this delay, as well, and are planning their lessons accordingly.

Next, both the middle school and high school will be changing the parent and bus drop off procedures in order to try to keep congestion and delays at a minimum. The first step we took toward that goal was to stagger the starting time of the two schools. First period at Munster High School will begin at 7:35, while the tardy bell for first period at Wilbur Wright will be 10-minutes later at 7:45 on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Our delayed starts on Tuesday and Thursday will also be later than the high school, as they will begin their first class at 8:00, compared to 8:20 at Wilbur Wright.

To avoid the congestion of Columbia and the small circular parking lot at Wilbur Wright, we are also keeping the front of the school closed to traffic at the beginning of the day. Instead, parents will enter near Community Hospital on Fisher Street, proceed behind the high school, and drop students off at our rear cafeteria entrance (Door E). Once the students are dropped off, parents should proceed out of the parking line the same way they came in, being sure to turn right after passing the high school. Cones will be set out to remind you to turn right at that point. On days with good weather, you could also consider dropping students off in Community Park near the Babe Ruth Field and taking the path between the baseball fields to WWMS. The map below illustrates where to enter to go to the middle school. We will have more details and the map on our web site about the drop of procedure.

Please feel free to contact us here Wilbur Wright (219-836-6260) if you have any questions.

Warmly,

Tim Sopko  
WWMS Principal



**Parent Drop-off at Entrance E  
(Cafeteria)**

Middle School

8650 Columbia

St

Harvest of God

Lions Club Dr

Lake County Public Library

Munster Social Center

Boy Scouts of America

Lions Club Dr

35th St

Munster High School

Columbia Ave

Columbia Ave

Fisher St