



ENDEAVOR EXPLORERS

Personalized Learning Public Charter School

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NEWSLETTER

April 2024



*"The strength of a nation derives from the integrity of the home."
- Confucius*



PUBLIC NOTICE

WSCS BOARD MEETING

March Board Meeting: May 14
3:00pm at Endeavor Campus in Room E

This meeting will be held at Endeavor Charter School.
Can be viewed online at: www.wscsfamily.org/live-broadcast.html
For more info go to: www.wscsfamily.org/board.html



IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL

4/2	• 8th Grade Catalina Meeting	4/17	• Courthouse Tour (7th and 8th Graders Only)
4/3	• PE Day	4/19	• Attendance Due for LP 9
4/4	• Nick the Greek Fundraiser	4/22	• Submissions due for Spring Art Exhibit
4/5	• School closed for staff meetings	4/22-4/24	• 8th Grade Field Trip to Catalina
4/6	• Spring Variety Show	4/24	• Community Food Bank Volunteer Work
4/10	• Zoo Outing		

MAY

5/1	• PE Day	5/17	• Attendance Due for LP 10
5/3	• Campus closed for staff meetings		• Last day of onsite classes
5/7	• No Classes Grades 6-8	5/29	• Kindergarten Graduation
	• Grizzlies Baseball		• Eighth Grade Graduation
5/8	• Fish Hatchery		
5/13	• Chipotle Fundraiser		
5/15	• Monterey Bay Aquarium		

TK-8

APRIL

4/4	• Nick the Greek Fundraiser	4/10	• Kona Ice Fundraiser
4/5	• School closed for staff meetings	4/13	• Prom
	• Progress Reports	4/19	• Attendance Due for LP 9
4/6	• Spring Variety Show	4/23	• Earth Science Field Trip
	• Climbing Competition		
4/9	• Spanish Field Trip to Univision		

MAY

5/2	• PCSU Monterey Campus Tour	5/17	• Last Day of Onsite Classes
5/3	• Progress Reports		• Attendance Due for LP 10
	• Campus closed for staff meetings	5/23	• Grad Night
5/4	• Climbing Championship	5/28	• NWEA testing/Yearbook Signing
5/13	• Chipotle Fundraiser	5/29	• Graduation

H.S.

NOTE: NO onsite classes 1st Friday of the month.

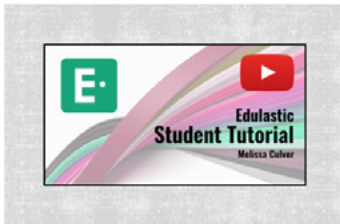
TK-12 ANNOUNCEMENTS

What resources are checked out to me?

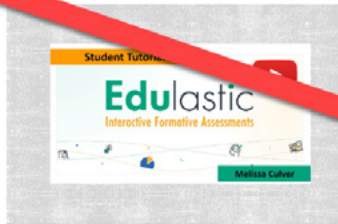
As you prepare for your final LP meetings with your advising teacher, here is a quick way to determine what resources are checked out to each of your children.

- You can find a complete tutorial on the [Family Tech Support Website](#). Head to the [Miscellaneous tab](#) and you can find the document there.
- The library login link is housed in two locations. You can use the link found in the Resources tab of any of our school websites [[link here](#)]. Or, you can also find the library link in [Clever](#).
- Log into each learner account to find a list of resources checked out to that student.

Miscellaneous Learning Tools



Edulastic
Log In & Roster - Students
[VIDEO]



Edulastic
Question Overview - Students
[VIDEO]



Follett Destiny
What resources are checked out to me?

Start creating for our Spring Art Exhibit!

Theme: Endeavor to Grow

Guidelines for grades TK-12th:

- Create thoughtful and intentional art to be displayed at school in the month of May
- Showcase your student's artistic abilities with a focus on our theme
- Artwork examples: painting, drawing, photography, textile, needlework, floral design, sculpture, etc.
- 1 submission per student **on or before April 22**
- Drop off artwork and Artist Statement card (card available in school lobby) to Mrs. Turner in West Building or Mrs. King in East Building

NICK THE GREEK
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JOIN NICK THE GREEK IN A FUNDRAISER FOR:

ENDEAVOR CHARTER SCHOOL

BRING IN THIS FLYER OR ORDER ONLINE THROUGH THE NICK THE GREEK MOBILE APP OR WEBSITE USING THE COUPON **FORCE4600D** ON APRIL 4, AND NICK THE GREEK WILL DONATE **15%** OF YOUR ORDER.

WHEN
APRIL 4, 2024, ALL DAY

WHERE
**7675 BLACKSTONE AVE. #115
FRESNO, CA 93720**

OFFER VALID ONLY ON SELECT DATES! ONLY APPROVED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FUNDRAISING PROGRAM. TAUNANT WILL DONATE 15% OF FOOD AND BEVERAGE SALES TO THE ORGANIZATION. TAX, GIFT CARDS, CATERING, DELIVERY, AND ALCOHOL ARE EXCLUDED FROM THE DONATION. OFFER VOID IF FLYER IS DISTRIBUTED IN OR NEAR THE RESTAURANT. FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT FUNDRAISING, VISIT [HTTPS://NICKTHEGREEK.FORCE4600D.COM](https://nickthegreek.force4600d.com).

TK-12 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Volunteer Work

at the Central Valley Community Food Bank

Help make a difference in our community!



Where:

4010 E. Amendola, Fresno

When: Wednesday, April 24

Time: 11:00am - 1:30pm

Deadline to RSVP: RSVP appreciated by Monday, April 22nd at 4:00

You can volunteer with us once a year or each month!

This work is in the distribution center.

Endeavor families work together organizing bundles of food that will be picked up by others and delivered to families in need. For more information on this non-profit organization see <https://ccfoodbank.org/>

- Open to parents and students ages 5-18
- Parents must accompany students
- Volunteers asked to arrive on time and commit to the whole session for that day
- The organization is unable to allow families with babies/toddlers/strollers to participate at this time

Please [complete waiver](#) prior to coming or bring to the Community Food Bank on the day of service. (see link or on school site)

ISLAND Waterpark

WHO: All TK-12th Grade Endeavor Charter Students and their families. All students must be supervised by an adult!

WHERE: 6099 W. Barstow, Fresno

WHEN: Wednesday, June 5th

TIME: 9:00-3:00

(There is a possibility that this will be a public day so the park may stay open until 6:00.)

COST: \$15.00 per person; two and under free

DEADLINE TO RSVP/PAY: May 5th
A Parent Square post will be available soon with more information on payment options. [Waiver Link](#)

For more information contact: Renee Johnson at rjohnson@wscsfamily.org

DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE



CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR
ENDEAVOR CHARTER SCHOOL

25% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

MONDAY, MAY 13TH | 4-8PM
5128 N PALM AVE, FRESNO, CA, 93704

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **BCTEVXB**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$50 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

EXPLORER TRAITS



By Delisa Kutzt

The Endeavor Schoolwide Recognition Plan is a 10-month initiative focused on celebrating character and achievement among our students. Each month we will highlight a different character trait and award deserving students who embody these qualities.

For the month of March, we will be focusing on Integrity.

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Integrity is doing the right thing, even when no one is watching.

-C.S. Lewis-



Explorers Recognized for Showing Leadership

Juli Lometti - Kindergarden

Giuliana Ceballos - 8th Grade

Ester Shkaruba - 8th Grade

TJ Arreola - 8th Grade

Eric David Garza - 9th Grade



Character Recognitions for the school year:

September: Respect

Criteria: Recognize students who consistently demonstrate respect for others, show kindness, and maintain a positive attitude.

October: Responsibility

Criteria: Acknowledge students who take initiative, fulfill their duties, and contribute positively to the school and community.

November: Gratitude

Criteria: Celebrate students who express gratitude, show appreciation for others, and contribute to a culture of thankfulness.

December: Generosity

Criteria: Highlight students who actively engage in acts of generosity, volunteerism, and making a positive impact on others' lives.

January: Perseverance

Criteria: Recognize students who overcome challenges, demonstrate resilience, and maintain a strong work ethic.

February: Courage

Criteria: Applaud students who show empathy, understanding, and compassion towards their peers, fostering a supportive environment.

March: Leadership

Criteria: Highlight students who display leadership qualities, encourage teamwork, and inspire others to excel.

April: Integrity

Criteria: Acknowledge students who consistently act with honesty, integrity, and ethical behavior in all aspects of school life.

May: Teamwork

Criteria: Celebrate students who excel in teamwork, collaboration, and helping others succeed through joint efforts.

Celebrate National Poetry Month

It's dark down here
the brightness of the sun cannot
seem through the cracks of the ground
How deep does it go?

The possibilities are endless
as endless as a mindless maze with no
end
thoughts from the head flow infinite
There are no limits

Down here is nothing special
except a skeleton
with humor as dry as bones
He's not very funny

Strange things are present
the nights filled with emptiness
feel very eerie
The environment itself feels Hollow

For food
droppings from the trees
are durable
The fruitage of the Earth is giving

At last is the time to escape
this place of darkness
with only the bioluminescence from
the ground
Giving off light

Gone are the days
without knowing what lie
the next day
What lies in store for You

At the gates
the essence of the door feels bright
behind it is great promise
It feels you with determination

-Matthew Torres, 11th Grade

The Rain

The Rain comes falling from the sky
So delightful when they come by
Then they drizzle
And in your mouth, they fizzle
Billions of colors come gliding
From the hemisphere they're riding
The pitter patter patting down to the pond
That makes them fond
Which makes the moss ooze and gooze
Around the pool we hear it snooze
And then it cycles, comes back as air
Rising to the clouds as they all prepare
And the cycle goes on
At the end-of-life rain's still beyond

-Paul Miller, 3rd Grade

Shall I compare thee to a painting known?
You are far more beautiful I must say
Your pale blue eyes and locs a golden tone
Admirable a painting yet decays
To broken eyes who judge and disapprove
But you my dear could never be unloved
With beauty and gracefulness you do move
One day a painting must be tossed and gloved
A painting has no time to love or cry
It's watched and observed until the time comes
But you can love and cry until you die
You have your life though time goes with each strum
My love my love my heart beats just for you
Oh my love for you will break me in two

-Hannah Pusey, 9th Grade

To a love close and sweet.
I would go a great distance to make your heart feel complete.
Travel through hills, pain, sorrow, and great depth.
Just to make sure that your smile was always present, and never left.
You've burned in me a real love, not like the ones I've felt before.
You've helped me feel cherished and cared about, like someone who
cared once before.
Although I'm young, and uncertain of what lays before, the thought
of you protects me, and keeps me going forward more and more.
And who will I have at the end of the day?
Who will keep me going after I pray.
Who will carry my burdens, needless to say,
My heart is yours and yours, until death comes my way.

-Carson Pool, 10th Grade

TK - 8TH GRADE

EVERY WEDNESDAY

April Field Trips & Outings

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| <p>4/3 P.E. Day #2
12:00pm-1:30pm
Holman Park, Fresno</p> | <p>4/17 Court House Tour
10:00am-12:00pm
(7th/8th Graders Only)
Fresno</p> |
| <p>4/10 Chaffee Zoo
9:00am-2:30pm
Fresno</p> | <p>4/24 Volunteer Work at the
Community Food Bank,
Fresno
11:00-1:30</p> |



Where: 894 W. Belmont Ave Fresno, Ca. 93728

When: Wednesday, April 10

Time: 9:00am-2:30pm

Cost and How to Pay: Special discounted field trip entrance fee is \$4.00 per enrolled Endeavor student and \$8.00 for Adults. Entrance fee to Roeding Park \$5.00 per car. Non-enrolled students will have to pay for a ticket at the gate.

Deadline to RSVP/submit waiver:

Thursday, April 4th 4:00pm
([WAIVER LINK](#))

Please pay Rosanna at the front desk (cash or check only)

For more information contact Michelle Garrett at mgarrett@wscsfamily.org



COURTHOUSE TOUR

Attention families with 7th and 8th Graders!
Join us for a tour of the Fresno County Superior Court and see our judicial branch of government in action. This aligns with the 8th grade framework and focus on constitutional rights.

Where: 1100 Van Ness Ave. Fresno
(Meet in the covered breezeway near the main entrance).

When: Wednesday, April 17th

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Cost: No cost

Deadline to RSVP/submit waiver:

RSVP and complete waiver no later than
Monday, April 15th at 4:00

([WAIVER LINK](#))

Additional Details:

We will meet at 9:40. Please allow plenty of time for parking. The nearest parking is the underground covered garage 8 at 1077 Van Ness Avenue, which is \$9.00 a vehicle. You may also park on the metered areas on nearby streets and walk up to the courthouse.

For more information contact Sandra Hammond at shammond@wscsfamily.org



Who: Endeavor TK-8 students

Where: 886 Cannery Row, Monterey, CA 93940

When: Wednesday, May 15th

Time: 11:15am-5:00pm

IMPORTANT: We will be gathering at the front entrance at 11:15 and must enter as a group.

Cost and How to Pay: TK-8 students are free. Siblings 4 and under are free. Adults are \$20 each. Cash or check payment must be made to Rosanna at time of sign-up.

Deadline to RSVP/submit waiver:

Friday, May 3, 2024 3:00pm ([WAIVER LINK](#))

Also, please note: This trip is limited to the first 140 students.

Additional Details

The aquarium does not have parking but suggests several parking lots and garages nearby priced at \$10 to \$20 per day. Please see aquarium website for details.

For more information contact Margaret Den Hartog at mdenhartog@wscsfamily.org

TK - 8TH GRADE

Peach Blossom Festival

Students recited poetry at the Peach Blossom Festival on March 7th at Fresno State. Everyone received either Excellent or Superior on their evaluations. Congratulations to the following participants!

Solo
Jade Aris Donsanouphit

Solo
Annabelle Chugg

Solo
Hannah Richmond

Duo
Flora McDonald
Dax McDonald

Duo
Brielle Dill
Piper Appleby

Trio
Sam Patterson
Elie Mae Patterson
Isabelle Patterson



FRESNO GRIZZLIES Game Day

Where: Chuckchansi Park

When: Tuesday, May 7th

Time: 11:00am - 2:00pm
(ALL 6TH-8TH CLASSES CANCELLED FOR THIS DATE)

Cost: Free of charge
One parent per family limit; enrolled students only; tickets are good for a free box lunch as well!

Deadline to RSVP/submit waiver:
NO WAIVER NEEDED! Just pick up your tickets here in our office between April 26th and May 7th - 150 tickets available on a first come, first serve basis.

Additional Details:
All students can enter through Gate 3 at the corner of Inyo and H and Gate 1 at the corner of Tulare and H.

For more information contact Sandra Hammond at shammond@wscsfamily.org

Final Catalina Meeting

We will be having a final Catalina meeting on April 2nd at 2:30 in Room E. We will be passing out a trip itinerary, medical forms, a packing list, and answering any questions. Participation is mandatory for parents that have students attending the Catalina field trip. If you are unable to attend, please contact Mrs. Hirata to get the necessary forms and information. Thank you!

Mrs. Hirata (bhirata@wscsfamily.org)

NOTICE

All 6th - 8th grade classes are **CANCELLED** for Tuesday, May 7.





LION'S CLUB SPEAKING CONTEST

“For a better world...what would you do?” This is the question Elijah Garza answered for The Lion's club 87th Annual Student Speakers contest. Elijah participated in the school, club (where he won \$100) and zone levels of the competition. Several Endeavor students came to the zone competition on March 12th to encourage him. The student speaker contest will happen again next year. Watch for information in the fall. Congratulations, Elijah!



Google Takeout Policy 2024 Graduating Seniors and Departing Students

Dear Families,

As our seniors prepare to leave our campus, we want to ensure that you are aware that their email and Google accounts will no longer be active after July 19, 2024 [their school-issued accounts]. If you wish to keep any of the information in that account, it is recommended that you download or transfer any essential documents to a secondary account [Dropbox, Microsoft, Google, etc.]. Our IT Department will not provide support for exporting or transferring those files.

Our seniors have until July 19, 2024, to export those files. These accounts will be suspended at that point [Gmail, Google Drive, Google Docs, Google Sheets, Google Slides, etc.].

You are not required to transfer anything. However, if you have a resume, a cover letter, a project, a picture, a video, or a file of any kind that is important to you, we encourage you to download or transfer those items.

How can I do this?

- 1) If you log into your Google account from a personal computer, simply download any of those files to that computer [<https://takeout.google.com/>].
- 2) Transferring that content to another cloud-based account is another option that may work for you [<https://takeout.google.com/transfer>]. Google can transfer those files for you. Follow the steps inside that webpage to request that transfer. Depending on how many files you plan to transfer, this may take a few days. Try to plan accordingly.

Have a lovely day. 🎈

Kindly,
Melissa Culver
IT Coordinator



HIGH SCHOOL

**BUY YOUR TICKETS BEFORE APRIL 3 FOR THE
GHS/ECS PROM on APRIL 13, 2024**

Prom 2024

April 13, 2024

6pm - 10pm

Theme: Red Carpet

Fresno Elks Lodge
Dinner will be served

Feb 6-16 Early bird: Seniors \$55
9th-11th grade \$65
Feb 26-Apr 3: Seniors \$60
9th-11th grade \$70

Because of fundraisers, the ticket prices were lowered by
\$10! Thank you, WSCS!

Additional Details:

- Guest passes are available on the school's website for high school-age students who attend other schools and must be turned in no later than April 3. ([LINK](#))
- By purchasing tickets to a WSCS prom, attendees agree to have their picture taken at the event and acknowledge that these pictures may appear on a website that all attendees have access to when the photos are ready and that the pictures may be used for various school purposes such as the yearbook, social media, promotional materials, etc.
- Students who have a current Letter of Non-Compliance should discuss prom attendance with their Advising Teacher and school administrator since this may affect their eligibility for prom.
- For more information contact: Mrs. Friesen kfriesen@wscsfamily.org



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

with Greg Hill

All High School Students - "Counseling Connection"

I am hosting a weekly "College & Career Counseling Connection" for students. It is an informational meeting for high school students every Tuesday morning from 10AM-10:15AM via Zoom. A zoom link was sent out through ParentSquare with information about the topics I will be covering. The topics will include College/Career and postgraduate information. Here are the topics for the month of April:

- 4/2 - Questions to ask when on a college tour
- 4/9 - Earn Dual Credit at the Community College Process
- 4/16 - What does it mean to be College / Career Ready?
- 4/23 - The Path to Intentionality
- 4/30 - Exploring Career Options - "Why is it OK to Fail?"

Local Community College Applications:

Seniors interested in attending one of our local community colleges should apply with priority registration through the "Registration To Go" Program:
 SCCCD (Fresno City, Oakhurst Center, Madera Center, Clovis Community, Reedley College)

Local Community College "Registration To Go" steps

1. Application: October
2. Online Orientation: November
3. Counseling / Advising with Student Educational Plan: Feb/March
4. Registration for classes: April if above steps are completed

FAFSA and Money Matters

All seniors planning on attending any college or a career technical school:

The FAFSA application opened December 1st.

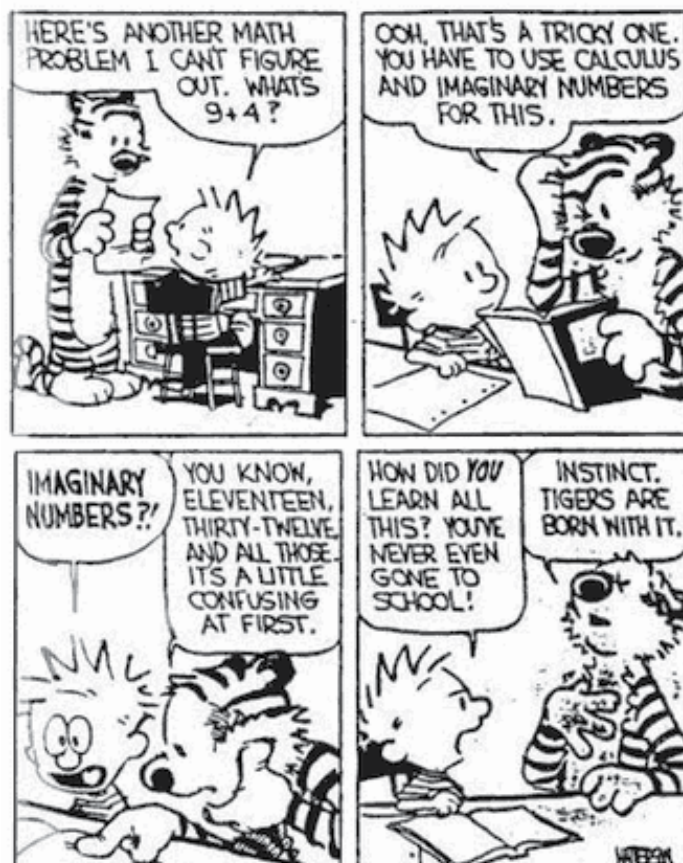
www.fafsa.ed.gov

Students that took the ASVAB. The Interpretation of test results is: Wednesday April 3rd at 12 PM at Endeavor. Please email ghill@wscsfamily.org if you will not be able to attend.

The ASVAB CEP is a complete career planning program. Students are given the opportunity to take the ASVAB at no cost and no commitment to military service. The ASVAB CEP also provides an interest assessment and planning tools to help young adults explore career field entry requirements

and various career paths, both military and civilian. High school students in grades 10, 11 and 12 and those enrolled at post-secondary institutions can participate in the ASVAB CEP. Students in 11th grade and beyond receive valid scores for enlistment. The ASVAB Interpretation date (this is where a recruiter will go over the scores and career exploration) will be 4/9/24 at 2PM in Mod "C." Please email me at ghill@wscsfamily.org to sign up for the test. Look for a Parentsquare with more information.

Upcoming Campus Visit to Cal State University Monterey & Monterey Bay Aquarium : May 2, 2024. Look for an upcoming parentsquare with all the details.



Please email me at ghill@wscsfamily.org if you have any questions!

STAFF DIRECTORY

Endeavor Charter School

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NAME	EXTENSION	PRIMARY ASSIGNMENT
Nancy Garcia	202	Principal/504 Coordinator
Grace Reeve	201	Assistant Principal/HS Chemistry
Rosanna Carrasco	222	Receptionist
Marianne Lord	200	Admin Secretary
Shawna Adams	228	TK-8 Advising Teacher/TK-K Enrichment Classes
Katelyn Carter	210	Student Support Director/H.S. Earth Science
Christine Chugg	230	H.S. Math Teacher
Melissa Culver	218	Technology Coordinator
Margaret Den Hartog	207	TK-8 Advising Teacher/5th Grade Enrichment Classes
Sandra Hammond	215	TK-8 Advising Teacher/3rd-4th Grade Enrichment Classes
Brook Hirata	204	TK-8 Advising Teacher/H.S. Biology/H.S. Earth Science
Nancy Flynn	211	Adjunct Teacher - 6th-8th Grade Math/H.S. Pre-Algebra
Michelle Garrett	209	TK-8 Advising Teacher/6th Grade Enrichment Classes
Greg Hill	220	Guidance Counselor
Renee Johnson	225	TK-8 Advising Teacher/7th-12th Computer Science and ROV
Aaron Kiang	218	IT Specialist
Andrea King	229	TK-8 Advising Teacher/7th-8th Grade Art
Delisa Kultz	205	H.S. Advising Teacher/4th-7th Grade Math Skills
Julie Schiro	224	TK-8 Advising Teacher/6th Grade Enrichment Classes
Susie Shaw	226	H.S. Advising Teacher/9th & 11th H.S. English
Dave Smith	216	TK-8 Advising Teacher/RSP Teacher/8th Grade Constiution
Marcia Souza	208	H.S. Advising Teacher
Nick Teddleton	221	5th Grade Math/Safety and Supervision Specialist
Nancy Turner	217	H.S. Advising Teacher/E.L. Coordinator/H.S. Art
Diane Vaccaro	206	H.S. Advising Teacher/H.S. Leadership/H.S. C.T.E.

Michael Cox	(559) 642-1422 ext. 102	WSCS Director
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Email addresses for all staff are: first initial and last name @wscsfamily.org (no spaces)

SUPPORT STAFF

Stephanie Ganzenhuber - Cross Country/TK-8 Synchronous PE • Martha Gaviria - Spanish • Katie Kaundart - School Psychologist • Robin Allen - 1st-2nd Teacher • Bee Lor - Custodian • Brandon Mallard - Drama/H.S. U.S. and World History • Jacob Mulick - English/Graphic Design/Lego Robotics/Climbing Team Coach • Ray Pacio - Music