

Unified Arts Department: WMS

1st Quarter 24-25

Mrs. Davisson, Music & Choir

The choir has worked diligently in preparation for our Fall tour again which occurred again this year! The Middle School choirs enjoyed a field trip—alongside the WHS Choirs—to perform for the students at Bundy Elementary, with lunch at LaRosa's pizza in Jackson, following! Some of our spooky season selections included the following: 'Spooky Scary Skeletons,' A Nightmare Before Christmas' medley, and also the classic 'Ghostbusters!'

Mr. Stevens, Career Explorations

We are off to a fast start for the 2024-25 school year! Students are working hard to figure out their interest that best fits a career they can enjoy. 6th graders have been working on job interview posters and presenting their information to the class. 7th graders have been learning about workplace trends and futurecasting. 8th graders have been learning about what employers want, adjusting to the workplace, and growth in the workplace. An exciting part of the week for the students is when Mrs. Perkins comes in on Fridays. Mrs. Perkins comes to us from Buckeye Hills each Friday and has awesome activities for us to do that are related to the workforce. According to the students, the VR headsets are really fun! Each week she will have a different career cluster that she wants them to learn more about, and there are interactive games on the VR headsets related to that career cluster. I am looking forward to the rest of the semester!



Mr. Thomas, Physical Education

2024-25 is off to a great start! Here in Phys. Ed., students have been engaged in many activities to begin the year. Hard to believe we are nearly 3 months into it. The students have been working hard and are accomplishing a lot. They've recently worked through the beginning stages of a Team Handball unit. We have completed a few units so far with many more to come in the next few months. It is a joy to watch them build chemistry with their classmates with great effort and teamwork. I always appreciate their enthusiasm in my classroom.

The students will be participating in several activities as they learn new sports and continue to build on the ones they already know. Swampball, Flag football, basketball, baseball/softball and badminton are a few of the sports we have already completed. When Team Handball wraps up, we will head right into our next activity with volleyball, floor hockey, soccer, and ultimate frisbee still to come. I look forward to many great days ahead here at Wellston Middle School!



Mrs. Johnson, Computers

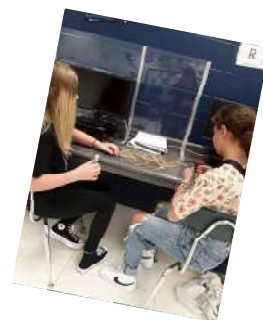


My name is Mrs. Johnson and I teach Computer Science at Wellston Middle School. I am a graduate of Rio Grande University with a Bachelor's degree in Math with a minor in computer science. I also have a Master's Degree in Technology Education from Ohio University. I have been teaching for 30 years, with 26 years being with Wellston

Middle School. I have experience teaching grades 4 through 12.

My 6th grade classes learn basic concepts using Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides. I am excited to teach *Project Lead the Way* to the 7th and 8th graders, which is a basic programming course for preteens. 7th grade has been learning about inputs and how to wire them to the microbit. Then they write a code to make the inputs trigger the microbit. Next, students will be learning about outputs and how to wire them to the microbit. Then they will write a code to make the outputs work.

8th grade recently finished writing code for a Germ Fighter game, which is similar to the 'Pong' game. Students have been working on the Build A Body code where they can drag and drop the organ system in the correct location on the body. These students amaze me at how good they are at coding!!!



Mrs. Everett, Art

Hello, everyone. I am Mrs. Everett—aka Mrs. E, the art teacher here at Wellston Middle School. Students have been learning the basics of art and how to use their creative voices through visual art. They learn about artistic expression, art techniques, and create works that express themselves and concepts taught throughout the semester. Students have opportunities to create and have their work displayed in the school, community, and at the art show in the spring. I hope everyone is safe and is filled with peace this school year!

Mr. Brace, Informational Technology

My Informational Tech classes are well underway for the 7th grade, introducing students to all things multimedia. The students have learned how to use Photoshop, Premiere (video editing) , Adobe animate (2d animation) and photography.



The 8th grade has been introduced to Business Professionals of America (BPA) as we started a brand new Middle school chapter here at Wellston. BPA is a student organization that is also at the high school and collegiate levels. The 8th grade students now have the opportunity to compete in many different contests in BPA, with the opportunity to compete at the school, Regional, state and national levels. Last year, we had the opportunity to take students to Chicago to compete at Nationals: my HS Animation team finished 2nd in the nation! That team plans to go back again this year and win nationals—and I hope that a few 8th graders do well enough to advance there, as well. This year Nationals are held at Disney in Florida.

