

WELCOME WARRIORS!

2026-2027

*Mission Statement: The Warriors for Christ Cooperative exists to glorify God by partnering with families to achieve educational excellence in a unique homeschool and classroom collaboration; develop a foundational and Biblical worldview in their academic and personal endeavors; and to encourage students to pursue a relationship with Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

*Georgia requires all homeschool families (co-ops included) to submit a “declaration of intent.” You can find this at: <https://gadoe.org/parent-family-resources/home-school/>

*Please be advised, if you are an Alabama resident, you do not need to submit a “declaration of intent,” but the co-op expects all families to abide by Georgia state requirements as it relates to standardized testing, record keeping, and hours of instruction per day since our program operates in Georgia.

*Additionally, you can check out our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/groups/wynnbrookhomeschoolcoop/

DAILY ROUTINE OF CO-OP

Morning Drop-Off

*Students may only enter the building through the preschool entrance. Staff will be at the doors at 8:15AM -8:30AM to welcome them into the building. You may NOT drop off any earlier than 8:15AM.

*Parents, we do not mind you walking your children into class the first week of school. After that, please allow your children to enter alone. Teachers will be prepared to receive them. For parents of preschool and kindergarten students, it is up to your discretion whether or not to escort them to class each morning for the duration of the school year.

Tardies

*It is **extremely** important for students to arrive on time, so all students can benefit from minimal distractions and optimal learning time as teachers begin the day. Tardy students must be escorted to the office by a staff member or parent, so they do not disrupt other students/teachers who may be working or testing. As a general rule, students should be seated and ready to work by 8:30AM.

*If late arrival becomes a pattern, a parent/teacher conference will be requested.

*Please communicate by 9AM with your teacher/homeroom teacher, in advance, if you know ahead of time you will be late. This also impacts whether or not a student’s cafeteria lunch order can be confirmed on days they have ordered but appear to be missing. Orders must be confirmed or canceled during first period, and we don’t want families charged or missing a meal for lack of information.

*All arrivals and departures outside traditional school drop-off and pick-up times must occur through the main church entrance near the flag pole. PLEASE CALL: 706-323-0795 in order to communicate with the co-op office staff.

Absences

*Attendance is crucial for success, especially on co-op days. We already have limited time with your children during the week, and teachers want to optimize instructional time for ideal engagement with curriculum, assessment of progress, and communication.

*If you plan to be out of town, please communicate with your teacher/s ahead of time. Staff is willing to work alongside you, but conversations are important in these situations. Homeschooling provides unique opportunities for travel and experiences outside the classroom, and we encourage those pursuits. Teachers, however, do need adequate time to plan and grade, too.

*In case of illness, please also communicate an absence as early as possible via phone or email.

*In all absence situations, it is the responsibility of parents and students to contact teachers regarding missed assignments. It is up to the teacher's discretion how to best handle each case on an individual basis. Excessive absences will be addressed in a parent/administration meeting.

Rules for the Classroom and Campus

*Arrive prepared for class. This includes checking to ensure your backpack has all materials and school supplies necessary for the day. Restock paper and pencils frequently.

*Be kind and respectful to peers and teachers. Integrity, honesty, and avoiding plagiarism are mandatory.

*Unless specifically given permission by a teacher during an assignment, students should be attentive and listening during instructional time. Excessive talking or interruptions may result in a student being sent to the office, so she/he does not disrupt the class and cause valuable loss of learning. Visiting with friends should be reserved for recess, free time, and lunch.

*Cell phone and smart watch policy: Students may bring a phone and/or smart watch to school, but it is to remain in their bags unless a teacher grants permission. Exceptions can be made for students who rely upon a device for medical purposes, but these must be communicated on an individual basis. If a student is caught using a phone or smart watch without permission, the teacher will hold it or send it to the office until the end of the school day.

*Leave every space neat and nice. Students are responsible for their own trash and belongings.

*It is expected that words, actions, and decisions reflect and honor Jesus, emphasizing a spirit of unity, positivity, and encouragement for those around us.

Snacks and Waters

*Students will have a snack period, so please send a snack with your child. We will have several snack options for sale from the office snack cart for \$1.

*Please send a pre-filled water bottle for your child to have throughout the day. Juice and milk are only allowed at lunchtime. Soda is never permissible.

Afternoon Pick-Up

*Unless instructed otherwise, students are released at 3:10PM and should be picked up in the carline at the Wynnbrook Christian School (WCS) drive-through portico entrance. Please be aware WCS releases between 2:55-3:10. To avoid confusion, do not get in the carline before 3:10.

*If you arrive after 3:25PM, your child will be dismissed over to after-care. You will need to pick up your child from the after-care location. Additional fees will apply.

*We need to keep the carline moving safely and efficiently. If you need to talk to your child's teacher, please send an email to schedule a time for a phone call or a meeting. Additionally, please remain in your vehicle. If your child requires assistance buckling or getting situated, please pull to a parking spot after leaving the line.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION

*WFC Homeschool Co-op desires to create an environment that fosters academic and personal growth. Our goal is for all parties to build relationships and to be encouraged by the support system found at WFC. We strive to exhibit Godly character with respect to students, parents, and teachers in all that we say and do, and we seek to uphold our standards with Biblical integrity. As learning and growth take place, differences of opinions and misunderstandings might occur. When conflict arises, we turn to Scripture to guide us in our response.

*The Bible gives us a model to follow when solving interpersonal problems. Issues that arise between students, teachers, administrators, and parents should be prayerfully dealt with in love, patience, and forgiveness. Open communication and Christ-like relationships are key to developing a positive school environment that glorifies God. Negative or critical attitudes, disrespect, pride, a grumbling spirit, and/or the inappropriate handling of concerns are unacceptable for any member of the body of Christ. If conflicts arise, we adhere to the instructions given in Matthew 18:15-16.

*Our theme for the school year, The Fruit of the Spirit, is found in Galatians 5:22-23, which declares, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." These verses will frequently be emphasized to encourage positive and Godly character in our words and actions.

Student to Student Conflict

*First, the student should attempt communicating with the other student and refrain from gossiping or letting the issue go unresolved.

*Secondly, If the conflict remains unresolved, a teacher should be sought to mediate, encourage forgiveness, and discipline if necessary.

Issues Within the Classroom or Parent-to-Teacher Conflict

We ask you to take the following steps:

*First, pray about it. Please be ready to discuss the problem in a Christ-like manner with respect, listening, and a heartfelt desire to be loving, kind, and seeking unity when a matter of dispute occurs.

*Secondly, talk directly to the teacher with whom you are experiencing conflict or the teacher of the class where the issue occurred. Please take your concerns to the source before involving administrators.

*Thirdly, if the issue is not resolved after talking to the teacher, contact the WFC director.

*Fourth, if the WFC director deems it appropriate, WCS's principal, David Cowser, will be contacted for additional support and assistance.

*It is worth noting that students who habitually become problematic in their choices and fail to uphold the standard policies and expectations of the co-op—be it personal, academic, or social—can face suspension and/or expulsion at the discretion of administration. Frequent visits to the office or excessive emails/calls home without respectful and appropriate resolution will not be tolerated.

*A complete copy of the Code of Conduct, Behavior Expectations, and Discipline Policy can be found on Wynnbrook Christian School's website. All families must review this together.

<https://www.wynnbrookcs.org/>

DRESS CODE

WCS has a resale uniform store located next to their main office should you wish to purchase gently used uniform items in lieu of purchasing them new.

MONDAYS AND TUESDAYS

*On Mondays and Tuesdays, students are required to wear a red, white, cobalt blue, or navy blue polo shirt with khaki or navy blue pants or shorts. Shorts must be made of appropriate material (not athletic type shorts) and no shorter than finger-tip length. Girls may also wear navy blue, khaki, or plaid skirts (same length requirements) and plaid jumpers. Belts are not required. For more details, please reference the dress code document in Google Classroom under Warrior Information.

*On the second Tuesday of each month, students may pay \$1 for a *free dress* day. This is a fundraiser for the Parent and Teachers of Wynnbrook (PTW) group.

*No hats/caps are to be worn inside the building without teacher permission. All students should be in athletic footwear for safety.

WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

*Wednesdays and Thursdays are Spirit Days. Students may wear jeans and a WCS or a WFC Co-op t-shirt. Jeans must be free of adornments and holes. They should not be overly tight or baggy. We will have Co-op t-shirts available for purchase before school starts.

OUTERWEAR

*Outerwear worn throughout the day must be solid, school colors: red, white, cobalt blue, black, gray, khaki, or navy. No trim, logos, or other colors. Denim jackets are not allowed. Spirit outerwear specific to Wynnbrook/Warriors for Christ is also acceptable, and will be available to order in the fall.

DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

*Students in violation of the dress code will be sent to the office for administration to address the issue. Students may not be allowed to return to class until appropriate clothing is found or brought from home by a parent.

CO-OP GRADES

Our grading system allows parents to view academic information specific to their children while protecting their children's information from others. You may view your child's grades, homework, and helpful school-related information while also having a wonderful platform to communicate with teachers and staff. **Please check your email, Google Classroom, and FACTS accounts often!**

Participation Grade

1st- 8th grade students have grades broken down by subject in the categories of: participation, tests/projects/papers, and other assignments. The participation grade reflects the student's level of involvement in discussions, activities, and assignments, as well as general attitude and behavior. Please speak to individual teachers and read their classroom policies regarding more specifics around other graded assignments, as it may vary by class, subject, and/or grade.

Grades for 1st-8th are assigned as follows:

90-100 A

80-89 B

70-79 C

60-69 D

59 and below F

Codes

The following are codes our teachers use to communicate with parents in FACTS:

M – MISSING WORK – a missing assignment is one that was not submitted by the day it was due. Missing assignments are due the following school day. Missing work counts as a zero until submitted. *A minimum of 10 points is deducted from the grade for late work* unless it's an excused absence and communication has occurred between student, parent, and teacher. We strongly encourage students to learn to communicate missing assignments directly with teachers, as this is important for their development, integrity, and maturity. Missing assignments submitted a week or more after the due date will NOT be accepted unless previously discussed. If a student is sick the day an assignment is due, there is no penalty if it's turned in the next school day. Extensions may be given due to sickness or family emergencies. **AN E-MAIL WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE SENT TO THE PARENT IF AN "M" IS ENTERED IN FACTS. YOU SHOULD BE FREQUENTLY CHECKING FACTS/EMAIL.**

A - ABSENT – The student was absent when classroom work was done. The teacher may ask the student to complete the work.

E – EXCUSED – The student was excused from completing the assignment due to sickness or family emergency. No action is required. Excused work does not affect the student's grade.

Gradebook

(Free) Family Portal Mobile Sign-in:

- Make sure the school has your email address.
- Go to factsmgt.com and click **Logins**.
- Click **ParentsWeb Login**.
- Type the school's District Code: **WB-GA**
- Click **Create New Family Portal Account**.
- Type your email address and click **Create Account**. An email will be sent that includes a link to create your *Family Portal login*. The link is only active for 6 hours.
- Select the **Click to Create your Family Portal Login** link in your email.
- A web browser displays your Name and Family Portal Person ID.
- Type a username, password, and confirm the password.

Important Grade Information

*Student progress will be reported throughout the year through the following: progress reports halfway through each quarter; report cards at the end of each quarter; STAR Assessments in math and reading (kindergarten through 3rd grade) three times during the year; IOWA standardized testing in the spring (3rd through 8th grade). Please note, that in addition to grades, these assessments serve to ensure students are on track for their age and grade level. These combined reports will also help determine whether a student is eligible to promote to the next grade level by the end of the academic year. *As a beneficial supplementary resource, parents are encouraged to subscribe to [IXL.com](https://www.ixl.com) for additional support with academic growth and progress.

*You are considered your child's primary teacher. Your school days at home are special and unique opportunities that we wholeheartedly love supporting and encouraging. Please remember, however, that school does comprise five days of study and dedicated time each week to complete assignments and meet state requirements for home education. It is not uncommon, especially for upper elementary and middle school students, to spend an hour per subject on assignments at home. The partnership between home and school instruction is crucial to your student's success in this program. If a student falls behind or requires more academic assistance in a particular subject area, it is ultimately the parent's responsibility to secure supplemental materials or tutoring. We are, however, happy and available to help and offer guidance as needs arise.

LUNCH INFORMATION

Pre-K students eat in the classroom. They are required to purchase a Bento lunch box (or something similar) with all foods open and ready to eat. This prevents the teacher from having to open foods. Please avoid sending messy foods that require major clean up. No soda or candy. Lunches must be sent for preschoolers every day, as they will not have the ability to order cafeteria lunch.

Kindergarten through 8th grade students eat in the WCS cafeteria (Gordy Conference Center). Once again, please pack meals that are ready-to-eat and avoid soda and candy. Remember, we are fueling them with the nutrition and energy needed to learn, grow, and thrive on days at school when bodies and brains are quite active. Students may pre-purchase school lunches. Lunches are preordered one month in advance using the Family Portal in FACTS. Directions explaining the ordering process and deadlines will be sent out by the office. Lunches are typically priced at \$5/meal.

OTHER INFORMATION

Medicine and Medical Issues Policy

*Students are not, under any circumstance, allowed to carry medication on their person. They may not administer their own medication. In special situations related to an ongoing medical diagnosis or need, parents and students can communicate a medical accommodation with administration and teachers in advance.

*If a student requires medication during the school day, documentation must be provided by a licensed medical provider. All medication must be in its original bottle with the student's name and dosing information clearly labeled. Medication will remain in a locked safe in the office and only distributed by WFC staff.

*Confirmed medical diagnoses, allergies, learning disorders, etc. must all be documented and on file with the WFC administration.

Weather Releases

WFC will try to mirror Muscogee County School District decisions on school cancellation, late arrival, or early release due to severe weather. Parents should check WTVM News 9, school email and website, text messages, and the Facebook page for announcements on school closings.

Early Release Procedures

Students who need to depart early from school must be escorted by a staff member to the main church office. Parents, please communicate with your child's teacher and the office staff ahead of time. If a student becomes ill, parents will be contacted by the office to discuss pickup options. Only individuals approved in FACTS as emergency contacts/approved pickups will be contacted for student release.

Miscellaneous

*WFC Co-op families will receive an email once a week labeled the *Warrior Weekly*. Please read these weekly emails as this is how we communicate with our families. The *Warrior Weekly* is full of information (i.e., deadlines for lunch orders, picture day info, dates for dress down days, Book Fair information, special events, yearbook ordering, etc.).

*WCS is an incredible support of the WFC Co-op and welcomes our students to participate in school-wide activities, including athletic participation. If your child is interested in attending an event (chapel, pep rally, etc.) that is scheduled on a day not typically in school, please call the WCS office at 706-323-0795 for specific details.

*All of the aforementioned information can be found in greater detail within the WCS handbook under "Student Life" located online at wynnbrookchristian.org. It is incredibly important to read both this packet and the online handbook in detail before signing. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to the WFC director.

*PTW operates under the leadership of Betsy Elvington, and it serves to support teachers throughout the school year through fundraising and other endeavors. Please prayerfully consider being involved.

Signature Page

Parents, please review this document's information with your children. Then, please sign and return this page to your child's homeroom teacher or the co-op office staff no later than Thursday, August 13th, 2026.

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Grade Level: _____

Parent Name(s): _____

Parent Signature(s): _____

Today's Date: _____

*Please note: All students and parents must sign an individual page to indicate you have read, agree with, and understand the aforementioned policies, expectations and procedures. If you have students in multiple grade levels, you must submit one signature page per student. If another individual will be participating in educating your children and/or overseeing their academic year at home, please have them review and sign, too. Students in preschool and kindergarten do not need to sign, though we strongly encourage you to review necessary expectations together.