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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 A-Day Breakfast: Pancakes Cereal Lunch: Pizza Salad School Activities: 4:30-6:00 Boys JV & V vs. Monroe High Girls JV & V vs. School of the Arts	2 B-Day Breakfast: Pancakes Cereal Lunch: Cheese Pizza Southwest turkey salad Blood Drive	3 C-Day Breakfast: Egg and Cheese Biscuit Cereal Lunch: Hamburger Salad School Activities: Boys F vs. Franklin Boys JV & V vs. Newark Victor Tournament	4 D-Day Breakfast: Bagel Cream Cheese Jelly Cereal Lunch: Asian Salad Buffalo chicken salad	5 SAT Boys V Wrestling vs. McQuaid Boys V & JV vs. Palmyra Girls V & JV vs. Midlakes
6 SAT	7 A-Day Breakfast: Waffles Cereal Lunch: Pizza Popcorn Chicken Hanukkah	8 B-Day Breakfast: Sausage and cheese Biscuit Cereal Lunch: Buffalo Chicken Sandwich Salad	9 C-Day Breakfast: French Toast Cereal Lunch: Grilled Chicken Sandwich Vegetable Salad School Activities: Boys JV & V vs. Pittsford	10 D-Day Breakfast: Turkey, Egg, and cheese Cereal Lunch: Chicken Parm Sandwich Salad School Activities: Boys F vs. Aquinas Boys V Wrestling vs. McQuaid	11 A-Day Breakfast: Yogurt Parfait Cereal Lunch: Pizza Chicken Buffalo School Activities: Boys JV & V vs. Early College	12 School Activities: Boys V Wrestling vs. Penfield
13	14 B-Day Breakfast: French Toast Cereal Lunch: Buffalo Chicken Salad Chicken Nuggets	15 C-Day Breakfast: Pancakes Cereal Lunch: Asian Salad Pizza School Activities: Boys & Girls JV vs. East	16 D-Day Breakfast: Sausage, Egg and cheese Biscuit Cereal Lunch: Pizza Grilled Chicken School Activities: Boys V vs. East	17 A-Day Breakfast: Waffles Cereal Lunch: Breaded Chicken Pizza Salad School Activities: Boys F vs. NE/NW College Prep	18 B-Day Breakfast: Bagel Cereal Lunch: Bean Salad Pizza Chicken Fajita School Activities: Girls & Boys JV & V vs. NE/NW College Prep	19
20	21 C-Day Breakfast: Waffles Cereal Lunch: Pizza Italian Salad School Activities: Boys F vs. Monroe	22 D-Day Breakfast: Sausage and Cheese Biscuits Cereal Lunch: Hamburger Pizza Southwest Salad Make Up Picture Day!	23 WINTER RECESS	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 Kwanzaa Begins
27	28 School out of Session School Activities: Boys & Girls JV & V TOURNAMENT	29 School out of Session	30 School out of Session School Activities: Boys & Girls JV & V TOURNAMENT	31 School out of Session		



The Red Cross

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The Red Cross' main goal is to help people making it the largest humanitarian group in the world.

Since 1948, the Red Cross has donated 40% of the nation's blood and distributed units to about 2,600 hospitals and transfusion centers nationwide.

If you are interested in donating blood, it is very important that you bring your ID with you the day of and that you eat healthy. Try and eat foods that have iron in it and drink water or any other healthy drinks. Also make sure to get enough sleep the night before.

After you donate, the Red Cross provides tasty treats and water. To ensure that everything is ok after blood has been taken from you, be sure to drink extra fluids and avoid alcohol. It is recommended that you just relax for the next 24 hours.

Although, not everyone may be able to donate their blood, there are other ways you can help. One of those ways is to become a blood drive volunteer. Annually there are 70,000 disasters where 5.6 million trained people are sent nationally, and internationally, to help and build safer communities.

Thirty percent of people are eligible to donate blood but less than ten percent actually donate. The Red Cross is appreciative of anyone who donates their blood. After the blood is drawn it goes into a lab and is separated into three parts that is tested within 42 days and sent away to be used.

Donating blood is important because it can save many lives. You can make a simple change in someone's life just by donating your blood. The Red Cross has helped and continues to save many lives around the world for many years. If you are apart of that thirty percent that is eligible to donate blood, make sure you do it and save another live.

If you are interested in donating blood, visit Mr. Burns in room 200.



October Student of the Month

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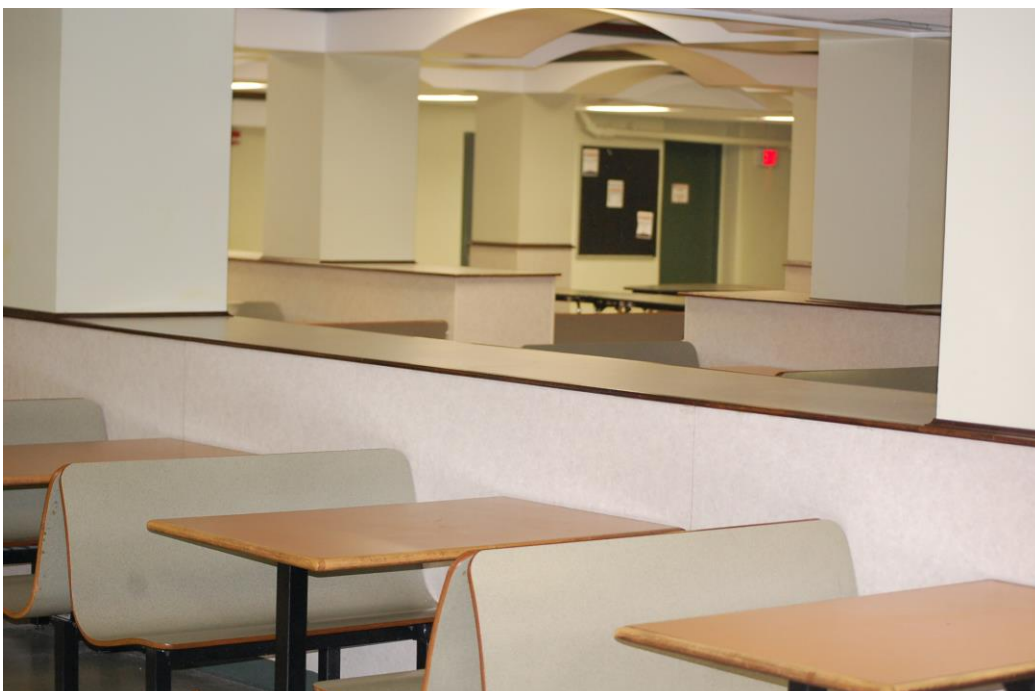
Faith Daniels was October's Student of the Month.

Student of the Month was made to acknowledge and reward an individual student's hard work. Every month, a deserving student is invited, with fellow winning students, to a gathering to celebrate the accomplishment of their becoming Student of the Month.

Faith Daniels, a senior at Wilson Magnet High School, won for having perfect attendance in all of her classes. She also did her best in every class and even helped others around her.

Daniels said "It felt good, I was happy for myself and it just made me keep going. It also made me look better than last year because it's showing that I made an improvement."

Daniels has advice for students that are trying to become Student of the Month: "Keep your heads up, keep going and don't let anybody distract."



High School Dating 101

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When you are young, everyone tells you that girls have these germs called “cooties” and the boys that are mean to you—like you. But, in high school, you learn that these statements might not be all there is to know about dating. High school is a time where you learn about love through the highs and lows for the future relationships.

Society believes this generation tends to just date for experimentation and that the majority doesn't have thoughts of marriage. It's fine to do so, but dating someone and then breaking up after a short of period time is a waste of time. In order to be with someone, you have to really want to be in a relationship—It's not as hard as some people make it out to be.

Commit. People tend to forget that love is like giving someone a gun that's pointed at your heart... but trusting them to not pull the trigger. You shouldn't just give your love to anybody. It takes time to actually fall in love with a significant person and, most of the time, it just doesn't happen.

Don't chase people. Be yourself. The right people who belong in your life will stay where they belong: with you.

It's easy to start a bond between two people but it's not easy keeping one. There's a list of important key points you need in the relationship for it to grow (if they are not presented in your current relationship, you might want to reevaluate):

- love, trust
- understanding
- communication
- humor
- freedom
- sensitivity
- respect for on another



Remember, some people come into our lives and quickly go.

Some stay for a while and leave permanent footprints on our hearts.

After any relationship, you are never the same. But at least we have the memories to decide what's right from wrong.



1st Marking Period Woes

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Majority of Wilson Magnet High School students are failing at least one class. At the end of the first marking period, students have earned an F in all classes.

Most of the reason there are more than a quarter failing is because of the attendance. In six classes, taught by Mr. Burns, the average attendance rate is less than 50%. Mrs. Ritz, a Math teacher, has a problem with her first period class' attendance. Ritz states, "They're either late or don't come to first period at all."

Another reason there is a high failure rate is because students don't complete their work. Ritz sees that students don't have any motivation to do the work. They could have different stresses and distractions that compete with their education like electronics. "They need to just have to try harder to stay focus".

Schedule problems impacted many students' grades. At the beginning of the first market period, Mrs. Ritz had stated, "students weren't in the right class or wanted to switch out of the class so, of course, the grades are going to reflect that." She said that once everyone got to where they wanted to be the grades got better.

Mr. G can speak for most teachers when he said "If the students are coming to school and doing work there is no way to fail." He also said that he doesn't want to sabotage anybody grade or keep students from graduating.

Mark Distribution for school Joseph C. Wilson Magnet HS

	A+	A	B+	B	C+	C	D	F	AUD	INC	MED	NE	P	Total
Joseph C. Wilson Magnet HS	717	556	600	614	425	589	455	1,606	8	46	1	257	81	5,955
	12%	9%	10%	10%	7%	10%	9%	27%	0%	1%	0%	4%	1%	



High School Dress Code

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Lack of enforcement is the main reason why high school students are dressing less and less appropriate every year. The dress code, as written by the Rochester City School District, is largely ignored.

Students' dress is disrespectful, revealing, and is a disruption to the educational process as highlighted by the RCSD Code of Conduct.

Males are wearing their pants below their waist, making them sag at the hips, while females are wearing more revealing clothes such as crop tops and low cut shirts.

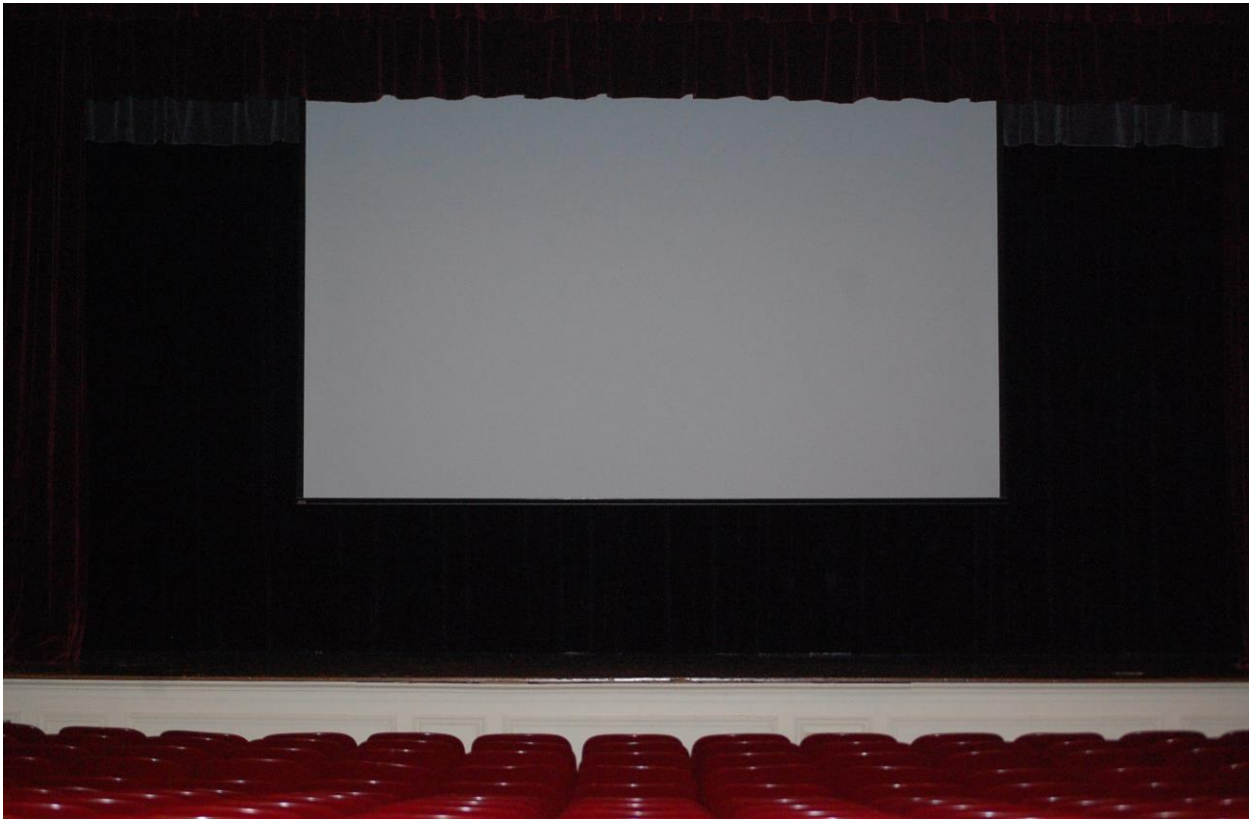
This type of attire brings attention to the individual and away from education. Teachers rarely send students out for inappropriate dress because students tend to be disruptive and disrespectful—wasting valuable learning time.

It is clear that many schools do almost nothing to enforce the dress code that is appropriate and is supposed to be followed by the students.

Principals and staff members address the type of attire that is considered appropriate at the beginning of the school year. The problem lies when they don't continually reinforce it. Staff just tell students to pull their pants up and cover up.

Students do not get in serious trouble for it. Since there are rarely any consequences, students are going to continue to dress the way they are now.

More needs to be done to create an acceptable and respectful dress code that has no loopholes and is easy to enforce among current and upcoming generations of students.



Step Jam

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The step jam is a big event that happens every year where all schools around the city come and shows off their step routines.

Stepping is making a beat, keeping a rhythm with your all parts of your body.

The step jam is a competition between the schools to see who has the better stepping routine. Wilson pearls have one of the best stepping routines out of the city school district.

There is always a special music artist that comes each year. Last year, Rae Sreummurd performed “No Flex Zone.” This year, Silento is coming to perform “Whip/Nae Nae.”

The step jam is a family event where everyone brings friends and family out and come support the students that worked really hard on their step routine and just have a nice time.

Every year ticket master sells step jam tickets While WDKX gives away step jam tickets.

The tickets do not last very long because every year they sell out so don't wait too long to get your tickets.



Wildcat Basketball

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In the winter of 2015-16, the Wilson Magnet Wildcats basketball team starts its new season. Before the actual season begins, the wild wildcats played in two summer leagues playing four days a week against other schools.

Once the summer league ended in late August, the team began official practice just a few weeks later.

Team practice occurs every Tuesday and Thursday for early conditioning to be ready to bring their A game. The coaches go over drills such as ball handling, dribbling drills, shooting drills, etc. Then members split into two teams and play each other in five on five matches up for ten minutes at the highest level possible without stopping.

According to Darrius Hartzog, his expectations are set high for himself and his fellow Wildcats this season. His goal is to win as many games as possible but he is predicting a 14-6 win. He would like for his team to make class A2 finals the year.

Sights are set for Edison Technical HS, their toughest opponent.

Support Wilson Magnet and wish the Wildcats a good season this year.



Questions or Comments?

E-Mail them to Don.Burns@rcsdk12.org (please put letters to the editor in the subject line). Your letter may end up in future editions of the *Wildcat Times*



Attention: Poets, Photographers, Writers, & Artists
Wilson's Literary Journal is looking for YOU!
 Gather up your original writing, artwork, and photographs and submit to
Room 200
 For inclusion into the 2015-2016 Literary Journal

Attention Students!
 Are you interested in joining the Outdoor Club?
 They take trips to Stoney Brook, Letchworth Park, Hunt Hollow ski resort and camping trips!
 There's no signing up! Just stop in (room 320) to speak with Mrs. Dow after school.
 Outdoor club crew meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month!

Interested in COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS?
 See Mr. Burns in **Room 200** for the
Wilson Blood Drive
 on December 2nd
 Be sure to make an appointment
 Possible **EXTRA CREDIT**
Sign-up Now
 → limited spots available ←
 The need is constant. The gratification is instant.

Are you good at Math?
Interested in joining the Math Team?

- Monthly Competitions (upcoming matches):
 - December 8th
 - January 12th
 - February 4th

Anyone can join
 See Mr. Meise in **Room 220**

You must have a parent permission slip signed in order to participate at competitions.

Interested in being apart of the year book?
 Interested in helping plan out and upload pictures in the year book?
 Yes?
 Then the year book committee is the club for YOU!
The year book committee starts this December in room 208
 See Mrs. Whelen or Mrs. Neil-Adams for further information