WESTBURY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL • LOWER SCHOOL

Family Quick Reference

2026–2027

Joy Lives Here

How We'll Communicate This Year

EMAIL + CLASSDOJO

✉ Email is our main line

Email is the best way to reach teachers and the office for questions, scheduling, documentation, and anything that needs a written record or a thoughtful reply. We aim to respond within one school day, so please keep your email address current in FACTS and check it daily.

◆ ClassDojo for every family

This year, all Lower School families will use ClassDojo for day-to-day connection: quick reminders, classroom updates, photos, and direct messages with your child's teacher. Please set up your account and turn on notifications during the first week of school.

Positive reinforcement, in real time: ClassDojo is also how we celebrate the Wildcat Way. Teachers award points when students live out our WILD values, and you will see those wins as they happen, so encouragement travels straight from the classroom to your home.

School Hours

DAILY

Grades K–4	**8:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.**
Preschool (K3 & K4)	**8:30 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.**
Morning drop-off window	**7:00 – 8:00 a.m.**

All Lower School students enter through the **north (back) doors**. Students not picked up by 3:30 p.m. are checked into Extended Care.

Extended Care

BEFORE & AFTER

Morning care (complimentary)	**from 7:00 a.m.**
Afternoon care (paid)	**3:30 – 6:00 p.m.**
Rate	**$6.00 / half-hour**

Billed by the 5th of each month, due by the 15th. Any part of a half-hour is charged as a full half-hour. **Late pickup after 6:00 p.m. is $4.00 per minute.**

Dress & Appearance

LOWER SCHOOL UNIFORM

MON • TUE • THU

Standard Uniform

Girls: Lands' End polo with WCS crest (navy, gold, or white) with blue shorts, pants, skirt, or skort.

Boys: Lands' End polo with WCS crest (navy, gold, or white) with blue shorts or pants.

Closed-toe shoes required.

WEDNESDAY

Chapel Uniform

Girls: Lands' End plaid jumper in navy houndstooth with a white Peter Pan collar blouse.

Boys: Lands' End blue Oxford dress shirt with WCS crest and navy pants or shorts.

Closed-toe shoes required.

FRIDAY

Spirit Dress

Any WCS t-shirt or sweatshirt with jeans, worn all Fridays unless otherwise announced.

Jeans should be free of tears, rips, and excessive embellishment.

Every day: Closed-toe shoes only. No Crocs, flip-flops, slides, or open-back shoes. Tights and leggings may be black, navy, or white. Hair should be a natural color, and clothing should be clean and in good repair. **Bottoms** do not have to come from Lands' End, as long as they are the correct uniform type and color.

Grading at a Glance

Lower School

K3, K4 & Kindergarten receive periodic checklists that chart developmental progress in all areas. **Grades 1–4** receive numerical grades in ELA/Reading, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Bible. Daily Bible is graded the same as any academic course.

GRADE	DAILY WORK	TESTS & PROJECTS
1st	Grades are not weighted	
2nd	80%	20%
3rd	70%	30%
4th	60%	40%

Numerical Grading Scale

A	B	C	D	F
90–100	80–89	75–79	70–74	below 70

To be promoted, students in Grades 1–4 must pass (70%) each core subject: ELA/Reading, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Bible.

Homework

Homework extends classroom learning. It reinforces skill mastery, introduces new concepts, and builds self-discipline and time-management. Academic honesty is expected on every assignment, and work should reflect each child's own effort and understanding. When your child needs support, reach out to the teacher early so we can partner with you before a small gap becomes a large one.

Late Work

Grades 1–4

- Assignments are due on the day and time the teacher sets.
- **10 points** are deducted for each day late, up to **3 days.**
- After 3 days, a **zero** is recorded for that assignment.
- Work turned in on the due date but after collection time still counts as late (10 points off).
- It is the student's responsibility to turn in work.

Our WILD Values

THE WILDCAT WAY

This is how we do the right thing.

W — Worship
We honor God in all that we do.

I — Integrity
We act with integrity in all things.

L — Love
We show love toward God and others.

D — Diligence
We are diligent in our work and responsibilities.

Earning points: Students are recognized and celebrated all year for living out the Wildcat Way through their choices, words, and actions. Points are awarded through ClassDojo and can be redeemed **once a month** at the Wildcat prize store, a fun, tangible way to celebrate the character God is building in each child.

Birthday Celebrations

Lunchtime

- Parents are welcome to eat lunch in the cafeteria with their child on their birthday.
- Please give the Lower School Office **24 hours' notice** so we can plan for your visit.
- You may bring cupcakes or cookies for every student in your child's grade level to share at lunch.
- Special deliveries go home at the end of the day, handed off at the car line rather than in the classroom.
- Party invitations may be passed out at school only if **every student in the class** receives one.