

What changes to WCS websites would you suggest?

? We rarely use them

1. Stop re-inventing it as often, 2) create a single hierarchy, 3) make sure google can index ALL of your content, and 4) please minimize clicks (i.e. don't hide as much info, it's OK for pages to be dense and it's very OK to scroll).

A bit confusing- for example I was on BHS website trying to find email address of person to email in a sick absence of child. Could not find it

A change in the sickness page. Too much about Covid and not enough about the common cold. You have taken out at what temperature to keep your child at home.

A complete overhaul! It is not user-friendly at all, still has broken links from the last website update and has so much unimportant information on the homepage that it's hard to figure out what's important.

A parent resources center that includes the important names and contact numbers for the specific school, along with quick links to an updated and accurate school events calendar, a link to order a yearbook, a link to order school photos, a link to the payment center for school fundraisers. Etc.

"How-to" technology guide for parents, a section for "which staff member to contact if": defining the roles of each of the staff members for parents

Access to semester and yearly calendars

Accurate teacher/employee info.

active webmaster to keep up to date info

Add teacher contact info - phone/email

Adding a link to teacher emails

Alerts/Notification section on top of the home page.

An easier way to find phone numbers and information about each school, for instance, what is the check out policy.

App

App that is maintained and more useful than current version

As an employee, I find the restrictions so difficult that we can't share and collect information as needed. The sites are not user friendly for families. We're not allowed to share helpful information on the calendars. We can't put links up to sub organizations within the school (athletics, fine arts, etc.) We can't put outside email addresses for contacts. In counseling, the information to get a transcript is buried 4 steps deep (by mandate) so the average person can't logically find it and always have to call the school for assistance. Franklin has regular transcript requests dating back decades, and those individuals should be able to find an obvious link for transcripts on the home page. (The same should be true for all of our high schools.)

The WCS website is not available outside the US. We regularly have families moving in who want to enroll, and our links don't work for them.

Honestly, it's embarrassing that our websites don't have helpful information readily available to the public.

Athletic schedules easily available

AWFUL COMMUNICATIONS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

banner messages for news on the site

Be able to easily find things and have information more organized.

Be able to get to individual school/student info easier, not district info

Be more user friendly

Better ability to search

better internal search engines; would like to see regularly updated information on individual school websites; sometimes it would be helpful to be able to find older issues of "inFocus" on the wcs website but I only seem to be able to look at the newer material; the ptos should have a page on the the individual school websites so that everything will be in one place

Better mobile capability

Better more current information

Better navigation

Better navigation for school websites it's a mess and out of date.

code).

Better on mobile.

Better organization, mobile capabilities and search capabilities. Also would like to more easily know which board member represents each school.

Better organization, quick links, better search bar functionality
Better organization, user interface
Better school pages. Lacks information
Better search and drop down menus. I can rarely find what I'm looking for.
Better search bar to locate information. Things are in different places than I would think they would be and then when I search I don't find it either.
Better search engine to find info faster
Better search feature, reorganizing the individual pages
Better search features. Items are not easy to find on the sites.
Better search function
Better search functionality. Would also recommend standardization of email addresses across the district. Also a system to have attendance@school.wcs.edu or something similar to report absences, etc., then have those email addresses accessible to whoever needs access in each school.
better search option
Better search results
Better search results within the site
Better search results. Easier navigation.
Better search tool
better search tool
Better search tool
Better use of the home pages for timely information vs everything going in school newsletters.
Both the WCS and CHS websites are terrible to navigate and very difficult to find the information that you need. They include outdated teacher contact information and make it difficult to find information that you need.
Both the WCS site and the school sites are not user friendly. Things are hard to find on each page. The 'search' function never produces the correct information. Finding Staff contact information alone is very hard and then the staff is not identified by grade/subject taught/position within the system. The school calendars (BHS) are rarely correct or provide incomplete information. I was not aware there was a WCS App? Been in the district 4 years and never been told about it. While Twitter is a good resource - I find it does not notify in a timely manner and often if I search for specific information, it is lost in the feed.

Calendar of Events easily found. Contacts easily found
Searching through countless menus is frustrating.
can be difficult to find needed info
Clarity of navigation, particularly things like late-start/holiday schedules and bus routes. It usually takes me 10+ clicks to find particular details on what I'm looking for. It would be helpful to list the most-searched or most popular docs on the home page of each school. It would also be nice to provide a "like" button that makes the popular docs more visible.
Clean and clear search method.
Clear links to forms, schools, contacts
Clear, simple, and straightforward.
Clearer links to the different schools. I found the website a little cumbersome trying to find out information about my child's school and bus etc.
Clearly marked pages and links
Conformity and more detailed. All of the school pages differ in content and depth of information which is not helpful.
Consistency in how teachers use Schoology and Skyward, parent guidance for accessing information in Schoology, when to look to Skyward vs. Schoology for graded and upcoming assignments, tests and quizzes, a single calendar location for upcoming assignments and due dates across all classes - this used to be Skyward, but most teachers no longer seem to use it. Clarification would be wonderful.
Crockett Elementary's website is frequently missing important information. District website as well as Crockett's website are disorganized and contain inaccurate info. Users have to hunt to find information they are seeking. Please fix. Additionally, please do not use social media. Furthermore, the Board meetings' live links did not work this Fall during critical COVID-related Board meetings. Unacceptable. Please fix.
Curriculum details
Delete it
Different school websites can be confusing depending on school?
Difficult to find bus schedules.
Difficult to find info. Every school different.
Difficult to navigate and efficiently find what I'm looking for

Difficult to navigate and find needed info. Calendars on specific school websites and upcoming events list do not seem to be updated regularly.

Difficult to navigate, better format to make information easier to locate.

difficult to navigate/hard to find info i'm looking for

discoverability is poor. Finding information is difficult, and often obscure

Do NOT hide the course descriptions, Do not hide the opt out of PE form for those involved in clubs, do not hide the registrations for clubs or school sponsored events behind invites from the teachers that require pass codes to access. These things are meant to deny access. Do not hide information of teachers leaving and the schools not having a plan of finding a replacement. The lack of communication is a shame stain on this community. Do not make parents beg for information about students, and the school. We are talking about minor children here. all are under the age of consent and parents need information from the school about all the things they are doing not only the positive things that make your school look good from the outside. I had a student 6 years ago. Some of those things were then found on the website. Now none of your staff nor administrators or teachers are helpful. And the status quo is NO RESPONSE, Unacceptable for teachers, staff and administrators to treat students and parents this way. Reported problems with facebook team pages go unfixed even when they are acknowledged.

Don't have a suggestion as I rarely use

Don't use website; rely on comma system and mobile app

Don't visit enough to comment

Don't use it, so cannot give a cogent or succinct response for what improvements need to be done.

don't visit enough to know

Each school needs its own personal platform. I don't like how each school is setup w/ the same district wide platform that is impersonal

Each school needs to have MORE information available . Some school have great sites full of info and others are bare and minimum info. Not each created with same information.

Ease of use

Easier access to my kids school, instead of having to go to the district site.

use popups or banners for important info.

Easier access to school specific info & shortcuts on school homepage to frequently visited site pages. I.e- school calendar, food services, transportation

Easier calendar access
Easier flow
Easier links to find lunch menus
Easier navigation
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easier navigation - information is buried and often does come up on search engines
easier navigation and ability to search for things you are needing
Easier navigation and more update information (schools specifically)
easier navigation to current events and info
Easier navigation to find information needed
easier navigation- up to date information
Easier navigation, more mobile friendly
easier navigation, single portal for payment
easier navigation. feels confusing. just today I logged in to find parking pass info and couldn't find it till I did a deeper search using search tool. I like to find it by clicking to a page, not doing a search
Easier navigation. More timely updates. Review the website for broken links and/or moved items which no longer appear under the menus/links.
Easier navigation. Takes several tries to find information needed. The app is so much better.
Easier navigation-too hard to find information quickly.
Easier searches (especially on the district website) and use icons to click on
Easier to access information
Easier to access. All teacher favorites listed on the website to make gift buying easier.
Easier to find academic paths
easier to find attendance form
Easier to find contact info and stays up to date with events and announcements.

Easier to find contact information, accurate schedules for games and the schools start and stop times
Easier to find directory
Easier to find info
Easier to find information about individual schools
Easier to find information. It is difficult to find the school cafeteria menus as well as other info. Sometimes, links are broken (i.e. the district calendar for next school year hasnt worked any time I've clicked on it to preview the calendar proposal for next school year).
Easier to find specifics
Easier to find things. Some forms cannot be found as just an example unless you know exactly where to go and click through many things.
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Easier to navigate
Easier to navigate and find information
Easier to navigate and find information
Easier to navigate and not so rudimentary looking
easier to navigate thru
Easier to navigate to your child's school
the websites were updated.
Easier to navigate, more clear precise school info, more info in general,
Easier to navigate.
Easier to navigate. Better search functions
Easier to navigate. Can't find what I need.
Easier to navigate. School sites much better and updated regularly
Easier to navigate; need to quickly find information
Easier to search and find grade and school specific information. Also make a staff directory with contact info easier to find

easier to search and find what you need
Easier to use
Easier to use
Easier way finding to the info searched for.
easier way to find how to purchase tickets to sporting events!!! crazy hard to find
Easier way to search and find information
Easier way to search the individual school; it's not easy now and a bunch of junk pops up
Easily accessible- difficult to find "your" school, have to scroll thru district and most importantly, it needs to contain accurate and current information.
easy access to calendar
Easy to find info (contact info, bell schedules), current events, links that work, etc, contact info for main office at H.S., lots of stuff!
Easy to find schedules, email address, faculty, updates about policies
Easy to find school calendars
Easy to get to school year calendar
Email addresses for teacher and admin should be more easily accessible, if you don't use outlook they are almost impossible to locate, copy, and paste More school specific info Schools need to do a better job of promoting info to first time parents (ex. Checkpoints, changes to available courses, contact info) Updated pics of actual current students
Email contact information for principal
Ensure information is accurate.
For Online Families - it's hard to find teacher contact info for the teachers that are not completely online. It would be helpful if all of the teachers (even if they are in a brick and mortar school) to be listed as online teachers as well.
For secondary, we need quick access to info needed on applications, like address, phone, email for the school. It seems to be hard to find every time I look.
Frequent updates

<p>further detail for the each individual school. Easier way to get a teachers work number or email that doesn't include logging into Skyward. Bell schedule and grade level lunchtimes are important for those who need to book doctors appointments. We strive for after school but sometimes it can't be helped. Thank you.</p>
<p>Get an auto notification with updated menu's or an email with them attached. I understand why they don't print any longer but I hate hunting for it and it's often not uploaded before school on the first day of the month.</p>
<p>Hard to find things especially individual schools information</p>
<p>Hard to find things. Usually looking for lunch payments and district calendar</p>
<p>Hard to navigate not kept up to date</p>
<p>Have a section where people can post comments/questions.</p>
<p>have policies and forms easy to access. it's great to have all the good news about students but it's been hard to dig through all the stuff on the website and I've ended up just calling or emailing our school to find answers to questions. if you could have a separate news room section that is information that is important about what's going on currently and ways to find information and a calendar of important events.</p>
<p>Having a guide book for newcomers to WCS as so much is assumed students have been in the system since birth - the acronyms are confusing and having things like rules and courtesy for school drop off and pick up points - parents who try and use a second lane for students getting out of the car while the official lane is moving.</p>
<p>Having clear links to forms, etc on the school webpage. No redirection.</p>
<p>Hi find the WCS site difficult to find information in very easily. I also feel the redirects from the school sites to the WCS site when looking for school specific information a bit frustrating.</p>
<p>Higher pay to teachers tab.</p>
<p>Honestly I would rather just hear from my child's school</p>
<p>honestly, not sure</p>
<p>Honesty</p>
<p>How are they are to navigate</p>
<p>on the main pages?</p>

I am the webmaster for my school, and I hear lots of suggestions from parents and teachers. I am told that the websites are difficult to navigate with way too many pages. Parents want to look at one homepage and access all other pages from there - so more simple - in a word. I personally like the websites, but I will be interested to hear what parents type.

I believe the websites are difficult to navigate and finding specific links or parent forms are very often difficult to find. School calendar events can be tricky also and are often not complete with all school events.

I can't find things that I ever need. I try to do a "search" and it brings me to something unrelated.

I can't find the email of any of my kid's teachers on the website anymore. I can't find the nurse's email, administrators, no one, so I'm not sure what is going on but emails should be posted on the websites.

I do find them useful at the beginning of a school year, but after that, they are the same most of the time and rarely have anything worth taking the time to go check them out.

I do not find the websites particularly user-friendly. I'm technically savvy, but many times, I have been unable to locate certain things (even when going to the sitemap).

I do not get on it

I do not know what would be better, but often it takes a long time to search the correct terms to find what is needed or to understand all the ins and outs of online payment, skyward, etc.

I do not use enough to offer any useful suggestions.

I do not use the website much. The few times I've searched for something on the website it was very easy to use and helpful!

I don't visit

I don't go there enough

I feel there are too many websites to go to for different things and it can get confusing.

I find it difficult to access the location of various resources. It seems as if they are in a variety of places and buried within the layers of the website. It would be nice if all the resources for a particular department were located in one spot and were one or two clicks to access.

I find it difficult to find things on the websites. I always seem to have to hunt around for what I'm trying to find. I also think that the athletics information could be much more robust, especially for the high school level. When you get to an athletic team's website for a particular school there is rarely much information available.

I find it difficult to navigate websites (especially the district), can't bookmark pages as the links apparently change, and have issues with broken links. Finding board policies is almost impossible unless you know what it is called or know the number of the policy.

I find it hard to find things on the District and School websites. It seems I have to do a lot of searching for say for example Policy and Procedures, or staff information. Also think pictures with names is helpful.

I find It very hard to navigate and find what i want

I find it very hard to navigate. And it seems like the format is changed frequently.

I find that it is not as user friendly as it should be. The search engine needs to be more inclusive and specific to the actual question or search. For a district as large as this it is disappointing to not be able to go from a simple search to the exact answer, or for it to say there is no information when I know there is

I find the school websites very difficult to maneuver through. It is difficult to find the information I am looking for. Especially specific policies.

I focus on the school we attend, not the others.

I get routed back the district website too often when I just want school specific info

I go to the website when I already have a question in mind, not to randomly check for news. I do have a request - show email addresses instead of having it link to Mail. I use a different email platform and can't get email addresses from the website when it links directly to Mail.

I have no idea,sorry.

I just think it needs to be simplified. It's hard to find a lot of information

I just think it's hard to navigate.

I just use the app

<p>I liked when each school had it's own website and they had pictures of the teachers and their contact info listed. The new messaging system makes it hard to respond to teachers. Their emails are sent from a 'no reply' email. So then you have to go to the website to find their email and it's difficult to locate.</p>
<p>I mostly rely on communications directly from Page/Trinity. I feel that gets me the info I need.</p>
<p>I never have a reason to visit the website. Only visit it if redirected by a link.</p>
<p>I only access thru newsletter and don't visit web page directly.</p>
<p>I only go there for the district calendar</p>
<p>I only use the school websites for Staff Directory; I rely on the newsletters and Skyward communications for real time school news, activities, etc. I use the District Website for Transportation, Calendar and policy information. The designs and data organization could be more intuitive in both cases.</p>
<p>I prefer everything texted, including information from teachers but it is not.</p>
<p>I quit trying to use the school websites years ago because they are not intuitive. When you search for obvious things it does not pull them up. For instance go to the Thompsons Station Middle School page and search for "Basketball Schedule". It should go to a link that gives you the basketball schedule.</p>
<p>I rarely use it</p>
<p>I rarely visit the website so I'm not familiar with it enough to provide feedback.</p>
<p>I rely more on school newsletters and emails than the WCS websites. I know they are all held to restrictions and meant to be uniform, which sometimes doesn't make them as reliable for time-sensitive information.</p>
<p>I think finding info is convoluted. You have to hunt for everything. I'd love more personalized info at each school website.</p>
<p>I think it would be helpful if each school (we are Page) had a more dynamic website of their own, that you don't have to go thru WCS to search for your school. I feel like our school could use Social Media (FB and IG) more to their advantage for parents!</p>
<p>I think the website could have a better design and layout for easier access.</p>
<p>I usually am looking for the lunch menu, which usually isn't updated for beginning of the month. Also, how come PTO meetings aren't publicized? They should be open to all parents at the school, but I find it difficult to find out when meetings are & when there are opportunities to volunteer.</p>

I visit the websites to find specific contact information for my child's teachers, and it is difficult to locate. I also use it to find school start time which is difficult to locate. The teacher websites for their classes is not on the school website at all. The only helpful information found here is the address for finding the school if you need to enter it into navigation device, or the phone number if you need to report your child out due to illness (although they don't want a call, they want a note, so still not helpful).

As a parent, the website is nearly useless to me. I work. I don't have time to fish around for contact info. Put it all on skyward or the wsc website. Help me to be active in my kid's school life.

I would like to see pictures of staff included with their contact information. Maybe even a brief paragraph about staff.

I would make things easier to find. For example, calendars, registration info, etc. I feel like things most pertinent to families can be found in many different places and not on the same website and/or the most logical links.

I'd like to see more information/news via Instagram

I'd prefer the mobile app be the primary, so have all the school and district info located there...and updated timely.

Important information is difficult to find and limited -- lots of fun things which is fine, but necessary information is limited. for example credit recovery-- only briefly mentioned on the website-- a link to the application and/or contact person would be great. I had to go off the page and track down what I needed to know

Improve navigation and usability. Information is not organized in a useful manner

Individual schools should have their own websites; they can be linked through the district page BUT they can not be brief additions to the district. Our schools are separate entities and while they function to comprise a whole unit they also host their own events, have their staff, have fundraisers, and other school community news that isn't pertinent to the whole district. Operating nearly 50 schools, as a unit, and not dedicating a place for each school and the staff/students/families that create it, to access content is an oversight on how to properly unify schools to their support systems.

Information is extremely hard to find. The search features doesn't pull up much information and google searches pull up deleted pages. Not really sure how to fix that. That's out of my area of expertise. Sorry to complain without a solution!

information on band events listed, as well as sporting events
Integrating sports within the website
It can be hard to find contact information. I found the sites useful when I was moving to the community but as a parent they are much less helpful.
It gets the job done ;-)
It is difficult to locate items. Maybe a login section for employees for information we need to access quickly--calendars, assessment information, scope and sequence, etc.
It is not clear to me where to find the things I want to see on the website
It is not easy to find needed information
It is not easy to locate resources, such as all WCS course scope and sequences, specific school sporting event schedules, school contacts by courses, etc. The calendars and links are not updated regularly.
It is not user friendly
It is NOT user friendly. When looking for a specific topic, I should be able to type it in the search area on the website and it should bring me right to it. It NEVER works. Very frustrating.
It is not very user friendly. It needs to be streamlined. It is also dated in appearance.
It is very difficult to find information. Needs clearer tabs
It is very difficult to find what you are looking for on the FvHS website.
It is very outdated. Update it
It isn't resourceful as I can't always find what I'm looking for on the site.
It isn't very user friendly. Could stand to be updated.
It loads a little slower than other sites for me, and it also looks a little dated. I'm assuming that the most commonly clicked items are always in the carousel at the top and all of the other important features like calendars and events are dynamic. If those are not, I would recommend that as well.
It is hard to find the resources just for parents based on the current site map as well. I ended up just bookmarking those that I need.
It looks a little too busy, but I guess there is a good reason for it. :)
It needs to be better organized and easier to find information, points of contact, etc.
It needs to be better structured.

It needs to be more intuitive, and information should be able to be accessed through a variety of different "tracks" as you move through the website. I feel like every time I need to find something there, it takes a ridiculously long time to get to what I need.
It needs to be more user friendly and easy to find the info you are looking for
it seems outdated
it seems that there is missing departments and information. I would like to be able to find organization trees of who's who.
It seems very cluttered.
It should be mapped out better.
It's been difficult to locate items on the website. I use the search function quite a bit to locate items. If I need information related to an email I call the school's office. I don't have specific suggestions at this time.
It's difficult to find anything. Need a better search function
It's difficult to find things on the CHS website, seems it could be organized and streamlined better but I'm not a website developer.
It's difficult to navigate
It's difficult to navigate; not intuitive
It's hard to find what I'm looking for and then when it's good, it gets changed. Things need to be listed under obvious places and shouldn't have to click 5 things to get to where you need to go
It's hard to navigate and find things
It's hard to navigate. Even finding the district's lunch menu was tricky. I'd love to see one page with links everything you need: the payment portal, district calendar, PTO, lunch menu, lunch payment portal, important dates (page middle's email from Dr Lifsey is awesome), bus registrations link to and info about Skyward, etc. just ONE page with all the links.
It's not intuitive or user friendly
It's sometimes difficult to find the things you need. Not user friendly layout.
It's very confusing. I'm new.
It's good for general information. It lacks some on who to contact if I'm having a certain problem.
It's hard to know what to find on the district vs. school website
It's not easy to navigate and find what you need.
It's not easy to navigate, especially at the school level for parents.

It's not particularly user friendly, I only go there when I need necessary discrete information, such as the school calendar, start times, phone numbers, contacts for WCS board members, etc.
It's very confusing.
It's very hard to find school specific information. I start on a tab and then will end up on WCS main page or get an error page not found.
Just stick to teaching actual educational material. Keep the left wing political slant out of it.
Keep each school's individual page the same. Same info , so when you do have to go to it, you are not searching for a long time.
Keep it simple. Too much overloading of information
Keep them more up to date and make events more easily searchable.
Keep them updated and easier to navigate
Less clicks to access info. Display like an app screen.
Less complicated to find things
Less info per page. Better headings to decrease clutter and make it easier to find info
Let individual schools format websites instead of making them all the same. It is hard to find things that are unique to schools. Also, it is impossible to find out when events are happening since times and places can't be mentioned. Parents want to be able to attend functions but they can't when times and places aren't allowed. Also, parents need to help their children manage their activities. Since club meetings and other activities aren't allowed to be posted on websites, parents can't encourage students to join extracurricular activities or educational programs. My older children were much more involved in school activities because I could read about them and let them know when a new club had started. Now, students have no way to learn these things except midday announcements which are not effective.
Links to get in touch with the teacher. Calendar of current events
Links to teacher's email addresses
list faculty contact/email on the website. arrange website with real parent information such as calendar events and easy access to counselors. the site is not predictable and I rarely find the information i am looking for.
Live and accurate information
Make easier to navigate. Make it easier to find where information is located.
make easier to use
Make information easier to find. It's difficult to find board members info or covid number info

Make it easier to access course information. It is hard to find anything and one goes in circles to find it. Really not helpful.
Make it easier to find forms and information.
Make it easier to find important info schol calendar etc
Make it easier to find information. Very Very hard to find things easily,
make it easier to find things
Make it easier to identify the information available, improve the search engine and make navigation easier
Make it easier to navigate and find things.
Make it easier to navigate and improve search options
Make it easier to navigate, or some quick keys.
Make it easier to navigate.
Make it easier to navigate. It is not user friendly at all.
Make it easier to navigate. Make it easier again to contact staff. We are the parents and sometimes need to contact a teacher or principal.
Make it easy for us to email school board members. They need to listen to the what the parents want instead of following their own agendas. We are tired of them making up rules that are not what the majority of parents want to be done!
Make it less difficult to navigate to the pages you need to see, the "search" bar is useless. The website is too complex. You need to simplify its design.
Make it more user friendly
Make it more user friendly with better menu selections. For example, I know where to find it now, but it's difficult to locate the school lunch menus.
Make it more user friendly/easier to navigate
Make it school based rather than Entire district. Some of the links route to district sites when parents need school info
Make it user friendly
Make it user friendly. It's NOT.
Make more user friendly. It's hard to find things.
Make phone numbers, email addresses, school hours & schedules easier to find. That's all I ever use the websites for.

make Skyward more easy to use from a phone. Graphics are horrible and information is hard to find when trying to get in touch with a teacher
Make the categories/menu more intuitive. It's difficult to find what you need.
Make the info easier to find on the site. I have to dig through several drop down menus to find what I need.
Make the layout more intuitive/easy to get to what you need to find.
Make the quick links easier to navigate. Include parent resources on the quick links.
Make the search bar search the actual WCS site rather than perform a Google search
Make the search functions better. Type "lunch menu" and the menu pops up. Type "school start times" and the start/end times pop up. Type "transportation department" and the transportation contact numbers pop up. Type "late start days" and the late start dates pop up. Etc.
Make them easier to navigate and post information that is relevant to students and families
make things easier to find. figuring out how to enroll in kindergarten was nearly impossible.
Making it easier to use
Making sure contact information is available and current. Less clicking to access information (i.e., less layering, fewer pages). The district calendar being easily accessible is really helpful.
Masks
Maybe add a function to the staff search where you can look up by subject taught, not just alphabetically - it's frustrating to find teachers if you don't know their first name. Especially with these last couple of years with online teachers coming from multiple schools. I like that the template is the same for each school to make it easier to know where to look for the information.
Maybe post the newsletter or list school activities on the school website
More apps or links to types of information. Too much information and not sure which website to go to for information.
more clear and specific navigation tabs
More clear information. Info should be available and should not be vague
more complete and up-to-date information
More current information and easier to navigate to important resources such as current Covid numbers.
More current information, up to date calendar for school events

More day to day information on school website. Links that are available through counseling department are never easy to find

More detailed info. Specific School website is generic not easy to navigate , needs bio on teachers and pictures and more info specific to the school

More detailed information for those moving into the county. We moved from another state and had a really difficult time locating information over summer camps and especially athletic tryouts. We ended up missing everything even though I had emailed coaches, and athletic directors before school was out (May) in an attempt to get our kids involved. It was exceedingly frustrating and I hope for more new families the experience will be better.

More detailed information. An "everything for parents" type section.

I remember when my daughter was starting kindergarten there was very little information I could find until I started getting info from her school a few weeks before. I am a planner so I like to educate myself far in advance.

More details (often too abbreviated to help) timely updates

More frequent updates, less broken links

More frequent updates. And it seems the information I'm looking for is often not there or buried deep

More info

More info less page options and make it current daily

More info like schedules. Contacts.

more info, clearer way to find that info

More information

More information and easier to find on Districts Special Education program in the general schools, what RTI looks like for a student IDEA eligibility categories, RTI and what it means for a student, their day and the time frame one should be in it, you have all the links that take parents to TN Education but the district should have pages parents can find information on that the district puts up.
Happy to share ideas - ctgramlich@gmail.com

More Information- easier to find

More information easier to navigate to find simple answers

More information from individual school

More information on individual schools.

More information on them

more interpersonal involvement
More intuitive, cleaner, better organized
More links and clips to watch, maybe sort better by grade
More real time information. They are too stale
More resources on school websites and easier mapping to find forms and contacts
More school specific information on the school website - teacher profiles / fundraisers/ contact info for teachers and staff
More school specific, easier to find information
More specific and direct when using the search tool. Keep the search engine in house to reflect links directly from the school site
More specific information for each school
More streamlined
More time sensitive information
More up front links/menus instead of having to go through layers to find info
More up to date and user friendly, especially updated graphics etc
More updated and informative about each school
More updated info
More updated website and better school specific pages
More updated, easier navigation. Frequently used links as shortcuts on home page (ie menus)
more user friendly
more user friendly
More user friendly
More user friendly
more user friendly and a more updated look
More user friendly and better/more content
More user friendly and updated information. More details not vague descriptions
More user friendly for individual schools
More user friendly less bulk content
More user friendly, intuitive
More user friendly, especially with doc, and things like exemptions Not hidden
More user friendly, hard to find specific information
More user friendly. Challenging to navigate.

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Navigating website is difficult. Too many sub-pages needed for quick reference information. Would suggest a 'calendar' call out on the main page for quick access to district annual calendar. More direct linkage to individual school pages. On school pages, Phone numbers for calling child into Student Services/front office (sick/absent) on the front page.
Navigation easier
navigation!
Need to be more user-friendly. I find them difficult to navigate. School pages aren't much better.
I would like more academic information and less athletic information. Easier parental access to my child's dashboard and Schoology information. A way to be notified of pending/daily homework assignments and deadlines.
Media relations should be uniform and divided by level es/ms/hs, so content is relevant to the audience. I'm not interested in es when my son is High School and vice versa You could add links to the other grade level content. I feel many schools are under represented Sunset elementary and middle, for example.
Neutral
New bus tracking app
No comment
no good ideas. sorry
No thoughts on this
None
None
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None at this time
None at this time.
None, I just want direct info
None, not familiar with it
None. They are easy to navigate.
Not a logical layout". I.e. curriculum requirements should also be listed under family resources.
Not always easy to find resources needed
Not booting back to districts website from schools website
Not everything is easily found, for example attendance policy
Not familiar with it.
Not really any...I like being notified directly via phone or email for things that are pertinent.
Not Sure
not sure
Not sure
Not sure
not sure
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not sure
Not sure I never go to the district page.
Nothing
Nothing is easy to find on the websites,have to search and search, click this, click that
Nothing is easy to find. Difficulty finding bus office phone # or emails to relay messages. Difficulty finding football tickets to purchase on line then not sure how it worked at the gate, & more.
Notifications for board meetings and things going on

One key page with all recent news updates listed with dates.
Only utilize for grade checking. Limited other use due to past disappointment with information that was available.
Organization
organization on school websites could use work
Pertinent info front and center about current issues
Pertinent info on the main page
pH call text or memo, or notes from school
pertains to that section. Separate information between staff and public. Right now everything is under
Please add more current information including sports schedules.
post things on direct link buttons like monthly menu, bus routes/numbers/times, supply lists
Prefer using the app. We Baird has been good for finding staff emails and random information (example IB program) when needed. Current sports calendars and school events would be helpful.
Prefer website search to be internal rather than external (e.g., if search dismissal requirements in hopes of pulling up specific Parent Handbook section, it instead lists Google search options).
Provide better system so that administrators and teachers respond to parent emails and inquiries. Administrators and teachers at Ravenwood High School usually do not respond to emails and inquiries from parents.
Provide up to date information as well as available athletic schedules. It should be easy to find for everyone in the community without searching a third party website.
Put info that is actually useful
Put more information that would be helpful for parents to navigate through
Put the calendar in a very easy to find location. It is buried and hard to find.
Put the most relevant information on the front page
Quick links regarding pertinent info that are easy to find
reaching the school without having to go through the main wcs website
relevant updated info
Resources for students to access online accounts when away from Chromebooks. For example, my daughter was unable to access her ALEKS account over Spring break because she didn't have her Chromebook with her. I don't know if it would be possible, but if there could be a hub from which to access these accounts from her personal computer, that would be helpful.

Rhs website difficult to navigate and not updated frequently. WCS is similar.
School (BHS) Homepage should have a clear calendar schedule. Many times when you click on the calendar event it contains no detailed information. Should show 'Late Start Monday' without having to click on a separate schedule.
School roosters, sports teams information, team tryout information
Search feature is not strong Pages are not well defined for topics and basic info-calendar, notices, schedules, bell schedules, and upcoming events are not well documented or searchable in my experience. It is hard to find teacher emails, basic info while the PR pieces are very prominent.
Search function is not useful. Location of certain things like lunch calendar and bus routes have been hard to find
Search functionality is terrible so finding what you want is frustrating. ie lunch menus, list of teacher/staff email/contact info
See previous answer. Mainly, communications to parents should be transparent to community members.
Seems a little outdated.
Sensible menu options in layman language. This questionnaire for example, what in the world is a secondary student? I have no idea how to answer that question. You write these sites and surveys as though you're solely reaching teachers and staff, familiar with your in-house terms rather than people who have no idea what these words/phrases mean.
Shift resources to apps.
Should be able to get to information in fewer clicks
Simple navigation, most direct path to latest information
simple, well organized, intuitive and easy to navigate
Simpler links/redirects to staff, bell roster etc. Often get kicked back from school to main site
Simpler menu structure to make topics easier to locate
Simplify
Simplify
Simplify
simplify it
Simplify navigation
Since I don't visit the site that much I don't feel like I would have any suggestions.

Smarter search and don't tie individual schools I. With district
Some time it take to long to get their make it easier.
sometimes hard to navigate specific school without being thrown back into WCS in general
Sometimes it can be hard to find what I am looking for
Sometimes it can bit a bit challenging to navigate.
Sometimes it is hard to find information and navigate through
Sometimes it is really hard to find what you are looking for. The search functions are not very good.
Specific contact information for various needs.
Staff are hard to find. Links are often buried. It would be great if you had a search box for school and for all WCS staff at the top. I spend a lot of time finding those. Put the menu across top of the site instead of in the corner small. A school district map on the home page would be great for new families moving to the area to click on and see the schools based on neighborhood with links to each school for more information.
Stop being sheep.
Stop moving things around on the webpage so much. Drives me nuts.
Streamline for each school with specific school information
Streamline things so they are easily found
suggest that the school newsletter be posted on school site.
Take a page from the most popular website in the world, google.com and just have a box with a really great fast search, don't over think it.
Tell us the website information in the schools weekly newsletter. I read the newsletters via email. I don't know what the website is.
Terrible format, trying to find staff/names and location is difficult Rarely schools sites are updated
The area and amount of info each school provides on their website seems to vary. Uniform standards of what to upload would be useful.
The district page is decent, but the specific school pages are hard to navigate and not very user friendly.
The front page is very static. I always have to search for what I want even when it's something just announced. Needs a feed of recent news and additions that covers everything
The information is too general, and it's hard to navigate. Copy Austin Peay's website/format.

<p>The layout is too confusing. Can't find the info I need. Search function never works.</p>
<p>The previous version was a lot more intuitive. The site is much harder to locate meaningful information specific to one school, it also seems less information is being posted that is school specific</p>
<p>The school calendar for this year and next year should be one of the first resources and it is difficult to find. There should be more information for parent resources, separated from student (it is combined now and I dont know which I should be using as a parent). A simple grid with name of resource, what it is actually to be used for and then the link to it. Same thing for the student page so I can see the list of student links, what they are for and then the hyperlink in case I need to remind my son on it. A new parent section with a FAQ document for new parents from out of state would be helpful.</p> <p>I am still not receiving communications from the school principal after a year of changing schools. I receive district communications from FSSD for my younger son, but since my son transferred from Franklin, I do not receive the emails. I have tried troubleshooting this and no one has resolved this. I do receive them from FSSD so somehow my email was removed from the Centennial communications and it is very concerning. I receive the text but often the text does not include the message and it should, even full length messages. Some people cant get to their email and i dont want a text that just tells me to check my email. I want to see the message right in the text.</p>
<p>the school webpage is so outdated.</p>
<p>The school websites are lacking. Just trying to find a teachers email is impossible.</p>
<p>The school websites are not user friendly. It is very difficult to navigate to find what you need or the information is found via PTO not the school site. There are too many places for things. Skyward is tricky to get to unless you know the right path. The WCS website is better.</p>
<p>The school websites are often not very up to date and are not the easiest to navigate.</p>
<p>The school websites are very difficult to navigate. Information seems to be buried in them. Important dates should be readily available as soon as you click on a school site specifically high school sites.</p>
<p>The school websites used to be a lot more user friendly. In the last few years, they are very hard to navigate. Not sure how to make it better. Also, including teacher photos would be nice for students.</p>
<p>The school's website is rarely updated and has very little useful information. The wcs website is more useful, but can be difficult to navigate.</p>

The search feature takes me to Google and external sported - not WCS/school resources. It's very hard to locate the information you're looking for.

The search bar feature doesn't always help for example I needed to find the HMS bus rider pass on

The site is very difficult to navigate; hard to find what you are looking for. I would love to see it reorganized

The sports schedules either aren't posted or are extremely difficult to find.

The user interface is horrible, the sites are generic and not well maintained or kept current and sports team information is extremely difficult to find (if it is even kept current at all).

The WCS app actually functions well and has most everything I am looking for. My wish is that I didn't miss pertinent information or news from my specific school. On occasion I have wanted my child to participate in something only to receive the information too late. For instance, I wanted my son to get involved in Student Council, not only for this year, but also when he was at Creekside. At the elementary level, there was no information regarding it. I even asked his teacher, and she had no information, other than to ask the counselor. I emailed her, and never heard back. Now at Page Middle, again, no heads up, or information regarding Student Council meeting or campaigns, until the actual day of the meeting. The meeting was in the morning, the same morning as the attachment in the Dr. Lifsey's weekly newsletter. My son had already left on the bus. I looked through all of PMS's newsletters up to that point, not one mention, until the last minute, about interest in running for student council.

The WCS website is not easy to navigate, and for years, has had a TERRIBLE search engine. Just trying to find the number for bus transportation has not been easy. Specific schools' information is also difficult to find on the schools' individual websites. There is very, very little info specific to that school. Like if I just want to see a calendar of events, or the number of kids enrolled at my son's high school, there is no easy way to do that. I can't even find a list of clubs, and it's very hard to find lists of courses/electives. The schools' website are too generic, and nearly impossible to search.

The website has too much stuff to find what you need easily.

The website is difficult to navigate unless you know exactly where you need to go. And if you try to "search" for what you need it takes you offsite instead of linking you to things on the website.

The website is not user friendly and can be difficult to navigate

The website isn't easy to navigate on a mobile platform. The links that can be found on a desktop aren't always easily accessible on a cell phone. As a new family to WCS this year the website has been a bit frustrating.

<p>The website needs easier ways to find the most ask questions and the school sites are terrible with it almost impossible to locate what you need</p>
<p>The websites are not always easy to navigate or seem to have missing links. Otherwise, the content is not always updated. School calendars show some things on the calendar but not other things. Seems inconsistent.</p>
<p>the websites are not user friendly</p>
<p>the websites are out of date - the information sucks and the look is old and outdated./ the kids should have a program offered at the schools where they learn how to run social media and create websites, etc because its awful trying to navigate and find calendars etc for events</p>
<p>The websites are sometimes not user friendly""the search function often does not come up with the answer I'm seeking</p>
<p>There are too many different tabs and menu options to click on. Keep it simple.</p>
<p>There is not enough information about schools on each school's specific websites. Plus listing staff in alphabetical order, instead of by team or job title, makes it impossible to find staff unless one already knows their title.</p>
<p>There needs to be more uniformity and assignments from multiple teachers should be available in the same format. It is very difficult to find information when teachers do not have all of their info in the same place, on the same day. Assignments need to be much easier to find</p>
<p>They all look the same.</p>
<p>They are awful to navigate. The number of clicks required to find something basic like school hours or a teacher email is ridiculous. And don't get me started on skyward. That is the worst user interface. Nothing is easy.</p>
<p>They are difficult to navigate and do not have the most up to date information. They are great for general district information but are not tailored to each school individually. Obtaining specific information/forms is cumbersome. For example, at the end of last school year, I was searching a specific high school site for information on the volunteer diploma and the form to fill out volunteer hours and it literally took me over 45 minutes to find what I was looking for--that's not user friendly.</p>
<p>They are difficult to navigate. Too many departments, programs and, especially, websites.</p>
<p>They are hard to navigate and important information is buried several layers down, if available at all. Make frequently-needed links such as online payments and access to calendars, etc. available as links on each schools' homepages. The find a staff member function on the RHS site is clunky and the search feature doesn't function.</p>

They are hard to navigate and things seem to be buried.
They are hard to navigate.
They are nit maintained frequently.
They are no clear, and hard to find useful information. Twitter is rarely used
They are not the easiest to navigate. Could be more user friendly.
They are not user friendly
they are not user friendly since the update/new platform. and skyward is not great. WCS needs a more sophisticated system like Blackbaud Scholar or Canvas or the like. An integrated, user friendly system.
They are not user friendly. I usually can find what I need and have to call the school
They are the most difficult websites to navigate that i have ever see
They aren't user friendly and don't have an easy search function
They aren't user friendly.
They aren't as direct as one would think. Each time I visit, I have to spend a good bit of time finding what I'm looking for; whether it's the illness guidelines or who works at a school. The school websites should mirror each other to make it easier to navigate from one student to the next. It would also be nice to know more about teachers, admin and staff. Bios that include birth months (so we can celebrate them), favorites lists etc generate a deeper connection with those that are trusted with caring for our children.
They could be more useful friendly as opposed to being a maze of circuitous clicks :)
They could be updated on a regular basis, every Friday for example. So parents know when to check back for new info.
They don't seem to be updated regularly
They don't seem to be kept up to date and are very hard to navigate.
They need more information. At the middle school level it is very hard to find any information on the academics offered. The site feels clunky and hard to navigate while still not having all the information a parent would like to see.
They need to be less static. If there is a special day with a special schedule coming up, the webmaster needs to be able to quickly update. Special events should also be featured more and able to find more easily. (Plays, quicker links to athletic schedules, etc.)
They need to be updated more frequently and maintained to be user friendly. If you have to hunt for common helpful info"not good.

They need to be easier to navigate and find the things you need.
They need to have up-to-date information. Navigation is not intuitive
They often have outdated information or do not have timely/relevant information.
They seem busy and tough to navigate
They seem hard to navigate. Not user friendly.
they're really impossible to navigate since the changes. All the historical links on google are broken - the URLs no longer match what's been cached/archived. It's just very difficult to find things.
They've gotten better in being standard across schools but it's still difficult to find basic information.
Things are hard to find
things are not intuitive, needs better flow and search features
Times of school (start/end) are not in an obvious location on school site.
to hard to find what I am looking for, it is buried too deeply under drop down menus
To have a parents section for our child's announcements and information.
To provide information that parents actually want
Too hard to find info. Better labels or better organized or something.
Too hard to navigate
Too hard to navigate"! one page is best with links
Too many accounts need to be created for one kid; keep it simple with one login where all info/registration etc can be done.
Too much communication- although good but too much . Every teacher x7 and the school and 2 kids that's 30 emails minimum. I want to communicate but some is unnecessary and I'm not reading bc overwhelmed- I get 100+ emails a day at work As it is.. hard to get anything accomplished
Too much legal jargon and not enough clear explanations
Total overhaul
Unable to access HEMS School Store via Chrome or Edge or iPhone (Safari)
Unsure
unsure
unsure
Up to date information and results for events.
Up to date with news feed and have all relevant calendars and other information easy to find
Up to the minute updates

Update all the links that were broken when changing the website. So much has been eliminated from access that teachers cannot hardly find things they need anymore.
update more frequently
Update school calendars - or make it easier to find calendar related items. (football games, school events, etc.) I always feel out of the loop on other activities. Are these even happening?
Update the site to have a better layout and have a more modern look and feel
Updated all the time
updated information and links
updated. they don't seem to have recent things on them, outdated email addresses for teachers, doesn't list school sports schedules
updates every day wrestling on the schedule bc thats a sport to
Up-to-date, accurate COVID numbers.
User experience is not ideal. Navigation is difficult and clunky. Finding the content you want often takes too long. Also school websites are not kept up to date making finding pertinent information extremely difficult.
user friendly
User friendly
User friendly
User friendly navigation
Usually information from central office,, ie. Newsletters and carol birdsong communications go to my spam folder in my school email account. I don't know why.
Very cumbersome to find information
Very hard to find info
Visual appeal is lacking
website currently difficult to find items...search button does not work well
Websites nearly seem obsolete. They should probably actually practically be a "mash up" of social media content with additional layers of detailed documents should the user desire to go deeper into content.
What changes to WCS websites would you suggest?
When the websites changed a few years ago they became hard to navigate and find information on. To me they are not intuitive.

When you type in just 'wcs.edu', it takes a long time for the page to load if it will at all. There is too much information on the homepage- it is overwhelming. It would also be helpful if the snow days could be posted on the homepage.

With the evolving social media, iphones, etc, its convenient to get text messages and watch instagram for updates. Going to a website is an extra step it seems beause it's so easy to scroll instagram and check text messages for reminders and info.

I rarely go to the websites to get info also BECAUSE I have 3 students in WCS at three different schools. I read the newsletter from the principal, get text messages, and scroll Instagram for Hillsboro. Those give me all the info I need to know.

P.S. LONG newsletters are not helpful. Instagram type bits of info and short, straight to the point info is what my family needs since I'm a teacher and a parent of 3, reading information from 3 different schools and creating my own info to send out to parents. Too wordy is not helpful!

would need daily feed/update or "last updated on ***" for me to know if what is on there is current. But website is too passive. I need you to tell me if there is something I need to know. I don't want to have to think to go to the WCS website to find out if there are things I need to know.

You are not quite sure how to get directly to the school you want. Ease of use - centralize the menu";

You need to push information out to the parents

You should be able to find a teacher, administrator or office employees' email in less than 20 seconds. Calendars, menus, etc should be easier to find. The best change you could make would be to make a simple platfrom linking all the auxillary websites (skyward, payment systems, lunch account system, bus tracker, etc) clearly labeling what information or actions are on each of these websites. 'Skyward' is not a great description of what that website is used for.