

Welcome to W. T. Woodson!

We know it can be overwhelming starting a new school. Below is a list of things that we hope will make your transition to Woodson a little smoother.

We are glad you are here!

***1. Network Login (School Computer Login):** You will need to know your school log in and create a password for using school computers. This log-in will be the same for Blackboard and SIS (see below). Student Services' staff will help you set up your password on your first day of school. **Remember—your password must contain 1 letter, 1 number, and be 8 characters long.** Your username is your Student ID number. Example:

Username: 1235677 (Student ID)

Password: Woodson19

***2. Blackboard:** This is a web-based platform where teachers post assignments, calendars, and other information. It's important to make sure you can sign in and that you use it frequently. If you do not see one of your classes, contact that teacher directly: <https://fcps.blackboard.com/>

***3. SIS:** Student Information System (SIS) is where you will be able to log in and see your gradebook for each class: <https://sisstudent.fcps.edu/>

Apps are easily found in the App Store by searching "Blackboard" and "SIS StudentVue" which will allow you to use these resources on your mobile device.

***4. School Google Account:** You have an FCPS Google Apps for Education account. To activate this account, go to <http://www.fcpschools.net/>. Your username will be your studentid@fcpschools.net (123456@fcpschools.net). Your password will be your network password. However, be aware that this e-mail is designed for class communication only as it will **NOT** allow you to receive emails from anyone outside of FCPS.

*If you are having problems with online tech, change web browsers. Some FCPS sites only work well with Internet Explorer.

5. Using School Wi-Fi: If you have a mobile phone or bring your computer to school, you will want to select the FCPSONboard Wi-Fi. Once connected, you will open your browser and you will be prompted to login. You will login with your network username and password. After this, it may ask you to download or run an application called Express Connect. This is necessary to use the Wi-Fi so please click “yes” and follow the instructions displayed. After this, you will be logged in and connected.

School Culture: It’s a Great Day to be a Cavalier! #onewoodson

6. School Spirit: We have an active student body and a lot of School Spirit. We hope you’ll feel at home here very soon! Our Leadership Students organize many of the school spirit activities. Feel free to ask them any questions if you see them in your class. The student body at Woodson supports all of their teams. There are spirit weeks in the fall and in the spring. Check signs in the hall, announcements, or social media for the latest in school spirit.

7. How to be “In the Know!” A great way to keep up to date on everything going on at Woodson is through twitter. If you have a twitter account, we recommend you follow WTWoodson High School and your class Twitter. These twitter handles are: @WTWCavalry, @Woodsonathletic, @WTWoodsonHS etc. Each class also has their own twitter handle. A quick search should be able to locate it.

8. Hey Day: Hey Day is an all school activity during the day (during return period) in the fall and in the spring. This is an opportunity for students to meet club members, join clubs, support causes, and fundraise.

9. Late Bus Day: Every Wednesday is late bus day. This is an opportunity for clubs to hold meetings. The bus leaves at 4:50 pm.

10. Extra-Curricular Activities: Woodson has A LOT of clubs - including honor societies, social service clubs, and special interest clubs, just to name a few! There are too many to list here, but we recommend that you look online and listen or check the announcements for meetings. Please don’t be shy - just ask about clubs and show up. There are also plays, musicals, singing groups, bands, and just about anything else you could be interested to participate. Find an activity and get involved! Visit <https://woodsonhs.fcps.edu> and click on Activities. The seasons for

sports may be different from the school you came from. Look at the website to see which sports play when and what requirements/forms you need to complete prior to tryouts (physicals, concussion training). Try-out dates for sports are often a season or two before the season starts. If you are interested in playing a spring sport there is often an interest meeting before the tryouts. However, if you come late in the year and are still interested in playing a spring sport, contact the coach and go to the tryouts. The Activities office is next to the gym.

11. Are you from a military family? For FCPS resources and information for military families, please visit https://www.fcps.edu/registration/military_families

Woodson has a support group for military connected students and our PTSO has a military family outreach program. For more information, please contact Christine Lieb-Mosley at cliebmosley@fcps.edu

12. Our last words: As we are sure you have seen, Woodson is a large school. We know it's easy to be overwhelmed and feel like you may not know what's going on, but don't be afraid to go to a meeting or activity. Even students who grew up in this school are constantly meeting new people – we are a friendly bunch! If you have any other questions, please feel free to email your counselor. Again – Welcome to Woodson! We are glad you are here!

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