



WOODHAVEN-BROWNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Learning and Leading for Tomorrow

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RE: Frequently Asked Questions

Dear Woodhaven-Brownstown School District Families and Community,

I hope that this letter finds you and your families safe and healthy.

As we are now at the end of our first week of our Continuity of Learning plan, I wanted to take this opportunity to provide some answers to frequently asked questions.

Q. How can I get a Chromebook for my child?

A. Please email us at WBSDcares@wbsdweb.com, call us at 734-789-2357, or contact your building principal. A Chromebook will be available for you to pick up the very next day.

Q. I have more than one (1) child, can I get more than one (1) Chromebook?

A. Yes. Initially, to make sure we could meet the demand, we only allowed one (1) Chromebook per family. While we have distributed over 1,100 Chromebooks to date, we can accommodate multiple requests per family.

Q. What if I don't have Internet access?

A. For the time being, your best option is to visit www.internetessentials.com (easily accessible from a mobile device). A few weeks ago, we placed an order for 250 Internet hot spots. We have yet to receive those, but when we do, we will work to get these in the hands of those most in need.

Additionally, paper-packet learning materials are available at all of our schools. Please contact your child's teacher and/or building principal for assistance.

Q. Will students be able to get into schools to pick up belongings?

A. We have already begun to implement plans for getting students their belongings and learning materials from their desks at their elementary schools. We are developing a similar plan for getting students what they need from their lockers at our secondary

buildings. In the very near future, you will receive additional information regarding this from your building principal.

Q. How will student grades be assigned?

- A. We have taken the approach that no child's grade will be negatively impacted by the absence of in-person instruction. Therefore, the grade that a child had as of March 13, 2020 is the minimum grade that they will receive.

However, through teaching/remediation of previously covered lessons, and through the introduction of new learning objectives, students have the ability and opportunity to earn the grade that they want; their grades can be improved.

Through relationship-building and addressing barriers to learning, our teachers are working very hard to provide meaningful instruction. Building on our shared values of quality public education, our teachers, parents, and students can work together to overcome the myriad of challenges that the lack of in-person teaching presents.

For students earning credits towards graduation, the letter grade they earn is the letter grade that will appear on their transcripts.

Additional information related to grades can be found on our website, www.wbsd.co, in our COVID-19 – Continuity of Learning link.

Q. Where can I get information related to my child's special education services?

- A. By now, you have likely been in contact with a member of your child's special services team. Specific information related to special education can be found at www.wbsd.co in our COVID-19 link. You can also get information from your building principal or by contacting our Special Services Director, Joanne Weise, at weisej@wbsdweb.com.

Q. Can students take online classes to earn credit for previously failed classes?

- A. Yes. WHS students can recover credit through online classes. Please contact your school counselor to enroll.

Q. Have graduation requirements changed?

- A. No. Please contact your school counselor for credit and graduation status.

Q. When and how will seniors pick-up their cap and gowns?

- A. WHS will have a drive-thru cap and gown pick-up event on Monday, May 11, from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. More information to come from WHS administration.

Q. Will there be a graduation ceremony?

A. The WBSD is committed to recognizing the Class of 2020 graduates as best we can. At this time, a decision regarding rescheduling the June 8 graduation ceremony has not been made.

Q. When will the last day of school for the 2019/20 school year be?

A. June 10, 2020 (May 28, 2020 for seniors). This represents no change from our original school year calendar.

Please visit the district website, www.wbsd.co, for additional information. Our COVID-19 link on our homepage has information related to food services, learning plans, parent resources, and tips from our school nurse.

If you, or someone you know, needs additional assistance, please direct them to the WBSDcares@wbsdweb.com email address, or call 734-789-2357.

On behalf of those that work within the Woodhaven-Brownstown School District, thank you for your support and words of encouragement. Please continue to stay safe and be well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark Greathead".

Mark Greathead
Superintendent
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