



December 7th, 2020

Warrior Parents and Students:

I hope each of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. We are very excited to welcome all our Warrior students back into our buildings this week. This letter is to inform you of two adjustments Wes-Del Community Schools will be making in regards to COVID-19.

The first adjustment is to our current quarantine protocols. The CDC released new information on December 2nd regarding a 7 day and 10 day quarantine option for all close contacts. ([CDC Guidelines to Reduce Quarantine](#))

**The new criteria would allow students to return to school provided they do the following:**

- Quarantine can end after Day 10 without testing and if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring.
- *When diagnostic testing resources are sufficient and available*, then quarantine can end after Day 7 if a diagnostic specimen tests negative and if no symptoms were reported during daily monitoring. The specimen may be collected and tested within 48 hours before the time of planned quarantine discontinuation (day 5, 6, or 7), but quarantine cannot be discontinued earlier than after Day 7.
- In both cases, additional criteria (e.g., continued symptom monitoring and masking through Day 14) must be met.
  - No evidence of COVID-19 has been observed during daily symptom monitoring during the entirety of the quarantine.
  - The sign of the first symptoms would require the individual to self-isolate and follow established protocols.
- These options do not apply if the close contact is a positive test that comes from a member of the student's household. If the close contact is a member of the students household, the student must complete the 14 day quarantine period before returning to school.

Wes-Del Community Schools has worked closely with the Indiana State Department of Health and the Delaware County Department of Health throughout the first semester of school, and these new guidelines are supported by both the state and county health departments. These close contact protocols will have an effective date of Monday, December 7th. Each situation will be handled on a case by case basis and reviewed by our nursing and/or administrative team. It is important to note that the newest guidance on 7 and 10 day quarantines will not be retroactive. Any current students under a 14-day quarantine will be required to fulfill that prior to returning to school.

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The second adjustment will be to our 2020-2021 school calendar. In a proactive measure to reduce the spread of COVID-19 within our buildings following the holiday vacation, the Wes-Del Board of Trustees approved the following amendment to the 2020-2021 school calendar:

**Wes-Del Community Schools will conduct a one week eLearning period from Tuesday, January 5th, 2021, through Friday, January 8th, 2021. Students are not scheduled to attend on Monday, January 4th, 2021. Teachers will follow the same eLearning procedures for students, and we will plan to resume in-person education on Monday, January 11th, 2021.**



**WES-DEL COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
**2020-2021**

**Academic Year Calendar**



| July 20 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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Teacher Day - No Students     Planned eLearning Day  
First/Last Student Day     Vacation Day No School

| August 20 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| October 20 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| November 20 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| January 21 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| February 21 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| March 21 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| April 21 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| May 21 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| June 21 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| July 21 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| August 21 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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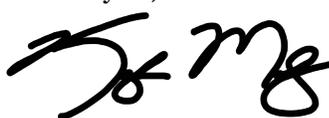
**Notes**

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| August 10th          | Teacher Workday                |
| August 11th          | Teacher Workday                |
| August 12th          | First Student Day              |
| September 7th        | Labor Day - No School          |
| October 9th          | End of First Grading Period    |
| Oct. 12th-16th       | Fall Break                     |
| October 23rd         | eLearning Day/PT Conferences   |
| Nov. 3rd             | eLearning Day - Election Day   |
| Nov. 23rd, 24th      | eLearning Days                 |
| Nov. 25th-27th       | Thanksgiving Break             |
| Nov. 30th - Dec. 4th | eLearning Days                 |
| December 18th        | End of First Semester          |
| Dec. 21st-Jan. 1st   | Christmas Vacation             |
| January 4th          | Teacher Workday                |
| January 5th - 8th    | eLearning Days                 |
| January 18th         | eLearning Day - MLK Day        |
| February 15th        | eLearning Day - Presidents Day |
| March 5th            | End of Third Grading Period    |
| March 12th           | eLearning Day/PT Conferences   |
| Mar. 19th-29th       | Spring Vacation                |
| Mar. 29th            | *Possible eLearning Makeup Day |
| April 2nd            | Good Friday - No School        |
|                      | *Possible eLearning Makeup Day |
| May 28th             | Last Student Day               |
| June 1st & 2nd       | Teacher Workdays               |

\*Possible eLearning Makeup days March 29th & April 2nd  
 \*Any additional school cancellations could result in additional eLearning days

Wes-Del Community Schools appreciates the efforts of students and parents in monitoring and reporting COVID-19 related health issues with the school buildings. This team approach has allowed us to resume and continue our in-person educational programming. We hope that with these adjustments, we can continue to give students the ability to receive the education they choose and need to be successful.

Thank you,



Kyle Mealy  
Superintendent