



WCS Newsletter

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Revised re-entry transition plan and options can be found [here](#).

A list of Frequently Asked Questions concerning COVID-19 precautions can be found [here](#).

Parent support tools for iPads and Schoology can be found [here](#).

Wood County Schools COVID-19 Dashboard can be found [here](#).

"Our vision is to work as a community to inspire a passion for learning, pursue excellence and empower students to reach their potential."

- Wood County Schools

Welcome Back!

Wood County Schools is wrapping its first week of in-person learning, with students returning to the classroom for the first time since November! Everyone is getting back into the swing of things, and students and staff alike are thrilled to see one another.

This coming week Wood County Schools will continue on a Blended Learning Format similar to what was done at the start of the school year. The biggest difference will be on Friday's, where students also will alternate on-campus and remote learning days.

A Blended Schedule

Students will attend using alternating schedule by last name. Students in Group A (last name A-K) attend school on campus Mondays and Wednesdays. Students in Group A will learn remotely off campus on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and alternating Fridays.

Students in Group B (last name L-Z) attend school on campus on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students in Group B will learn remotely off campus on Mondays, Wednesdays, and alternating Fridays.

Students in K-8 also have the option of distance learning where students receive instruction online via Teams meetings and through Schoology. Limited space will be available due to class size limits and available courses.



**"Education is not the filling of a pail,
but the lighting of a fire."**

W.B. Yeats



A Color Shift

Under the governor's revised re-entry plan, there will no longer be a Saturday education map. All elementary and middle school students will attend five-day a week in-person classes, blended learning, or WV Learns virtual school.

WVDHHR Daily COVID Map: The state will continue to update the DHHR's map each day at 10 a.m., with counties ranked Green through Red based upon community spread of the virus. If Wood County is marked **Red** on the WVDHHR daily map on a Sunday, high school students will receive remote instruction for the week. If Wood County is marked **Red** during the week, school will go remote the following day and the rest of the week until we are at a lower color on the Sunday map.

Staying Safe and Healthy

Wood County Schools is dedicated to the health and safety of our students, teachers, administrators and service personnel.

Area schools will continue to observe all COVID-19 safety protocols, including mask wearing, social distancing, limiting group sizes, frequent handwashing and frequent disinfecting of common areas and surfaces. It is important for families to take precautions as well when students are not in school.

The Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department is continuing community vaccinations of those most at risk and in the coming weeks.

Important Dates

Jan. 25 – 2nd semester starts.

Jan. 26 – Wood BOE meets.

Feb. 2 – Groundhog Day

Feb. 9 – Wood BOE meets.

Feb. 15 – All in-person classes resume.

Feedback?

Questions or suggestions can be emailed to the Wood County Schools Communications Department at merb@woodcountyschools.wv.net and everyone encouraged to download the WCS app for news and announcements.

