



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 5th, 2020

On Thursday, April 2nd, Governor Holcomb and State Superintendent of Education, Dr. Jennifer McCormick, announced the physical closure of all Indiana school buildings for the remainder of the school year due to the COVID-19 virus. Although the physical buildings were closed, Dr. McCormick issued the following requirements to all schools.

All schools must complete one of the following to be eligible for a complete school year:

- **A total of 160 days of instruction for the year**
- Or
- **20 additional online instructional days after April 2nd, 2020**

Due to Wes-Del Community Schools choice to not use any waiver days and continue eLearning upon closure on March 16th, 2020, Wes-Del has currently completed 144 days of instruction. To meet the 160 days of instruction threshold, Wes-Del Community Schools will need to complete 16 more days of eLearning.

Although eLearning instruction cannot compare to the quality of direct classroom instruction, it can be a viable method of instruction for our Warriors to complete the school year. This school year we implemented our eLearning plan with success, and that early implementation has put us in a good position to complete the next 16 days. The Wes-Del administration, teachers, and staff have developed a strong plan, and with a positive team effort, we will achieve success.

None of us could have predicted the circumstance or situation our world has been placed into within the last few months. It would be easy to focus on the negative, as we are surrounded by it during this time. But that is not what is in the heart of a Warrior. In a time like this, Warriors will display vigor and courage. We will get through the next 16 days, and it will not be without issues or bumps along the way. Some days will be better than others, some days it will all work, and some days it won't. We will not hide from it, we will embrace it, and we will do it together. WARRIOR PRIDE!

We miss all of you more than you know, but we will see you real soon!

Kyle Mealy
Superintendent

SMALL SCHOOL | BIG OPPORTUNITIES

Wes-Del Community Schools will be implementing the following “Continuous Education Plan” for the remainder of the school year.



APRIL 2020

5	6 No School <i>Assignments from March 16th to April 3rd Due by 9PM</i>	7 LEARNING	8 LEARNING	9 LEARNING	10 Review Day Assignments Due 9PM	11
12	13 No School	14 LEARNING	15 LEARNING	16 LEARNING	17 Review Day Assignments Due 9PM	18
19	20 No School	21 LEARNING	22 LEARNING	23 LEARNING	24 Review Day Assignments Due 9PM	25
26	27 No School	28 LEARNING	29 LEARNING	30 LEARNING	1 Last Day of School Assignments Due 9PM	

MONDAYS

- **NO SCHOOL ON MONDAYS.** There will be no eLearning, but teachers will be available for students via email or through Schoology from 9AM - 3PM.

TUESDAYS

- New eLearning content will be provided to students from their teachers through Schoology. Teachers will be available for students from 9AM - 3PM via email or Schoology.

WEDNESDAYS

- New eLearning content will be provided to students from their teachers through Schoology. Teachers will be available for students from 9AM - 3PM via email or Schoology.

THURSDAYS

- New eLearning content will be provided to students from their teachers through Schoology. Teachers will be available for students from 9AM - 3PM via email or Schoology.

FRIDAYS

- Teachers will be available for review and tutoring of students from 9AM - 3PM. Each Friday gives students the ability to contact their teachers for questions, concerns, additional help and tutoring on the new content. **Weekly assignments are due by 9PM, unless otherwise directed by each teacher.**

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DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

Wes-Del Community Schools will continue to communicate with students and parents through the following methods:

- District Wide Text Message and Phone Message
- School District Website or Mobile App (www.wes-del.k12.in.us)
- Social Media
 - School District Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/WesDelWarriors/>)
 - Twitter (<https://twitter.com/WDSupt>)

TEACHER COMMUNICATION

Students will have access to teachers through the school email and the Schoology learning management system. Some teachers may be using additional technology to communicate with students. Some technology includes; social media pages, Remind, Zoom, Google Hangout Meet, etc.

ACCESS TO COUNSELING SERVICES

All the school counselors and social workers will be available for students during this time. This includes social and emotional issues, academic advising, and any additional counseling services needed.

- Mrs. Oliger, HS Counselor aoliger@wes-del.org
- Mrs. Goldstein, MS Counselor mgoldstein@wes-del.org
- Mrs. Hunt, WDES Student Services Coordinator khunt@wes-del.org

SCHOOL CONTACT INFO

Wes-Del Community Schools

- Kyle Mealy, Superintendent kmealy@wes-del.org 765-358-4006

Wes-Del Elementary School

- Tracy Shafer, Principal tshafer@wes-del.org 765-358-3079

Wes-Del Middle/High School

- Adam Perdue, Principal aperdue@wes-del.org 765-358-4091

Special Education Coordinator

- Jason Slopsema jslopsema@wes-del.org 765-358-3079

INTERNET ACCESS HOTSPOTS

Wes-Del Elementary School

- Pull up and park near the school and your students chromebook will connect to the school WiFi signal.

Wes-Del Middle/High School

- Pull up and park at any point around the school and your students chromebook will connect to the school WiFi signal.

Johnson's Gas Station

- Pull up and connect to BP Harborlink by clicking the start button.

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FOOD SERVICE

Wes-Del Community Schools will provide food service for students through the months of April and May. “Grab and Go” breakfast and lunch for five days will be available each Monday.

April

- Monday, April 6th, 2020 Wes-Del Elementary 12PM-1PM
- Monday, April 13th, 2020 Wes-Del Elementary 12PM-1PM
- Monday, April 20th, 2020 Wes-Del Elementary 12PM-1PM
- Monday, April 27th, 2020 Wes-Del Elementary 12PM-1PM

May

- Monday, May 4th, 2020 Wes-Del Elementary 12PM-1PM
- Monday, May 11th, 2020 Wes-Del Elementary 12PM-1PM
- Monday, May 18th, 2020 Wes-Del Elementary 12PM-1PM
- Monday, May 25th, 2020 Wes-Del Elementary 12PM-1PM

During the summer, Wes-Del Community Schools will shift to their summer lunch program. More details on the summer program will be released at a later date.

SPRING SPORTS

The IHSAA has cancelled all spring sports for the 2020 season. This includes all middle school athletic events. Summer workout information will be released when available. At this time, no date has been given for athletic activities to return.

For athletic information contact:

- Kye Denney, Athletic Director kdenney@wes-del.org 765-358-4091

ADDITIONAL EVENTS

The building closure through the end of the year has cancelled all school sponsored events that would have been held on or off school grounds. If the “Stay-At-Home” and “Social Distancing” order is lifted, we will revisit some events depending on timing and feasibility.

GRADUATION

At this time we are exploring all avenues possible to conduct a graduation ceremony for the class of 2020. Our ability to provide a traditional graduation rests in the hands of our state leadership. We hope to provide a ceremony, even if it is in an alternative form.

LAST STUDENT DAY

The last student day will be Friday, May 1st, 2020.

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BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

All buildings and grounds of Wes-Del Community Schools are closed to students, parents, and the public. Per the Governor, this closure will continue until further notice. Grounds include the following:

- Wes-Del Preschool
- Wes-Del Elementary
- Wes-Del Middle/High School
- Wes-Del Administration Office
- All athletic facilities and playgrounds

END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR ITEMS

There are many housekeeping items that are regularly done at the end of each school year.

- Locker/Desk clean out (including PE lockers)
 - All materials in lockers will remain until the school administration sets a date for locker clean out. **NO STUDENT MATERIALS WILL BE THROWN AWAY.**
 - The building administration will release a date for locker/desk clean out once the “Stay-At-Home” or “Social Distancing” orders are lifted.
- Textbook, novels, or curricular material return
 - The building administration will release a date for textbook, novels, and curricular material return once the “Stay-At-Home” or “Social Distancing” orders are lifted.
- Any additional “End of Year” items will be communicated through the building principals.

We want to thank the administration, the teachers, and the staff of Wes-Del Community Schools for working very hard to create a viable instructional plan for our Warriors. Together we will get through the next month of school successfully.

“Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.” Theodore Roosevelt