

Frequently Asked Questions

BEFORE COMING TO SCHOOL:

Some schools are asking students and staff to do a health check every morning before coming to work/school. Do we have to do this?

Yes, ALL individuals coming to campus must participate in a self-check each morning. If you check any of the symptoms off of the list, you must stay home for the day and let the school know. Even if it's just one symptom, you must stay home. The same will hold true for all employees at WA. The self-check may be in electronic form and would have to be done in a timely manner so the school nurse has time to evaluate each person's health assessment prior to being on campus.

FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL:

Will there be Remote Learning (Online classes) during the first week of School, September 8, through September 11? *No, there will not be remote learning the very first week of school. We will do orientations, pass out Chromebooks, school supplies and get started with our courses, so we will wait until the following week to do remote learning. That means that if you are doing remote learning ONLY (100% online) and you're not scheduled to come to WA for in person learning, your first week of school will be the week of September 14th.*

September 8-Freshmen and New Students-Cohort #1 (A-L) come to school for Classes

September 9-All Students-Cohort #1 (A-L) come to school for Classes

September 10-Freshmen and New Students-Cohort #2 (M-Z) come to school for Classes

September 11-All Students-Cohort #2 (M-Z) come to school for Classes

Freshmen and New Students will come to school for classes 2x in this first week; Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors will come to school 1x during this first week. There will be no online participation during this first week.

Are Early College courses on the same schedule as WA classes? *No. The schedule is different. Early College classes begin Monday, August 31. Early college class schedules vary by institution.*

If it is not my turn to be on campus taking classes, do I still have to log in remotely and be part of the class on my days doing remote learning?

YES! *You are required to participate five days a week using a combination of Zoom and Google Classroom. Your teachers will take daily attendance. That attendance will count towards your absences if you do not log on and participate. (For those few that have no internet at home, we will work with you). During the first week of classes in September, you will get training and information in how this is all going to work.*

Can I get my laptop on the first day of school?

We are hoping that you will be able to get your laptops on the first day. You should be receiving the "Acceptable Use Policy," electronically so be watching for it. You will not be given your laptop until the form has been completed and returned.

Early College students may pick up their Chromebooks prior to the August 31st start deadline for online college courses. Please contact Mrs. Harrington at 255-8301 Ext. 221.

REGULAR SCHOOL SCHEDULE:

I arrive on campus at 7:30. I don't know where to go first?

You should go to the building where your first period class will meet. All students will be walking through a temperature scanning machine before going to their first-period class. Each building will have a scanner to check your temp. It takes about 4 seconds and it does not give your temperature. It will blink green if your temp is normal and it will blink red if it is not.

Do I have to wear my mask as soon as I get out of my car? Off the bus?

Yes. If you ride the bus you will need to wear a mask to get on the bus and you must keep it on at all times. You must also social distance on the bus. If you drive or get dropped off at school, you must wear a mask and social distance as soon as you arrive on campus.

What do I do if I walk upon a line of students getting their temperatures checked?

Please make sure you have your mask on and that you are six feet away from the nearest person to you. If you have to wait outside the doorway to do that, please do so. The lines should move quickly.

Will I still get breakfast if I want it?

*Yes Breakfast will be available on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. You can grab a breakfast meal and eat in the Café or the Study Hall room. **You will not be eating in your classroom.***

What do I do if I need to go to the bathroom upon arrival?

We want all students to first go to their period one classroom. Your teacher will give you permission to use the bathroom, one at a time. You will be required to sign out, (probably on your phone if you have one), so that we can make sure that no more than one student at a time will be in any bathroom at once. This will be the way bathroom privileges work throughout the day.

I have notes/forms for the office, how do I get them there?

We will collect notes by having you place them in a basket/box in your period one classroom. After they have set idle for 24 hours, the notes will be turned into the office.

It's 8:30 AM and I want to see the nurse...Can I go to her office?

The nurse will have a protocol by which she will assess all students who do not feel well. If you do not feel well at any point in time during the day, let your classroom teacher know immediately. You will be sent to the nurse's office as soon as possible or she may come to get you.

I have a cough and could use a cough drop. Do I go to the office for that?

If you had a cough when you woke up, you should probably stay home. If you just have a non-serious coughing issue, please ask your teacher for a cough-drop. We will try to supply teachers with some.

I was called to the office, do I still sign out and can I pull my mask down away from my face as I walk from my classroom to the office?

We will only call you out of class when it is absolutely necessary. If you are called out, please make sure that you have your mask on and that you social distance with anyone you meet on your way to the office. You will not be allowed to enter the office without permission so come to the big window where we will interact with you at a safe distance.

Do I have to clean my own space before leaving the classroom?

Yes, we need to make sure that your space is clean and sanitized before the next set of students come to that classroom to occupy your seat/space. There will be time given at the end of each class period to clean your area. All cleaning materials will be provided, including gloves and disinfectant wipes. Masks must still be worn at all times.

Do I have to social distance while IN the classroom?

Yes, You do have to social distance while in the classroom. A few classes may have less than ten students at a time but you will still need to practice safe social distancing and wear masks. Teachers will give mask breaks as necessary. You will be assigned seats on day one and those seats will be your seat for the two days a week you are at WA in person. Teachers at WA are encouraged to take their learning outside as often as possible. Social distancing must still take place and protocols concerning face coverings will be enforced according to current guidelines.

Where will lunch be served? Where will I eat it?

Because we are offering only three classes on campus per day, there will be two lunch periods, A and B, during the 3rd Block period. Lunch will be eaten in the Café, the Study Hall room and the Library. Your lunch space will be assigned to you.

When I arrive late at school because of an appointment or I overslept, do I go right to the office? If I have a note to leave early what do I do?

Yes, if you are late for school come directly to the front window in the office. You will either be asked to walk through the temperature scanning machine or have your temperature taken by a handheld unit. You will be dismissed to your class once you pass the screening. There will be a basket for you to put notes and forms in.

What is the procedure for going from one classroom to another ...Will there be bells to tell us when to move around?

The bells may be rung by hand in some cases or may be taken out all together for the first semester. If we do that, we will announce each day when it is time to move from place to place. Students will need to follow the arrows and directional signs laid out throughout campus. Students are to walk along the right-hand side of the stairs, hallways, and exits and entrances. Masks must be worn at all times when moving around campus.

Can I go to my car if I forgot something?

No. Do your best to bring everything you need into the building for the day. We want to limit the mobility of students and staff. That means that we all have to be exactly where we are supposed to be each hour of the day.

Can I have lunch delivered to me from my mom?

As we work through how to safely prepare, serve, and feed students, we will discourage meals from being dropped off during the day. Someone would have to be responsible to get those items to you and school personnel won't likely be able to bring it to you since it came from outside of the school. Like notes and forms, items from outside of school are supposed to sit for 24 hours before being interacted with.

Can I have friends bring me DD and drop it off in the front office ...and then I come and get it?

No, much like having a family member drop items off for you, we have no control over where the items have been or what exposure they have had. We will not be allowing outside guests to come into the buildings. We want to limit the number of people on campus each day.

Will there be an add-drop time and do I go to Guidance to make an appointment?

Yes, add and drop will run the normal 8 to 10 days. If you need an appointment with Guidance, please email Mrs. Lehman first. You may also email both Mrs. Morris and Mr. Strand as needed. They will set up appointments with you where you can then safely visit their offices.

For Early College students, the last day to add an online course is September 14. The last day to withdraw from a course so that it does not show up on your transcript is September 30.

If I am staying after school for an activity where do I go and do I have to wear a mask and social distance?

*Once we know more about athletics we will have a better understanding on how **any** after school activities will work. Any gatherings inside a building will require a mask and social distancing. There will be other guidelines affecting athletics which may also carry over to other after school activities.*

My computer isn't working, what do I do?

If you can not email Mrs. Harrington (c.harrington@raider4life.org), you can call her at 255-8301 Ext. 221. You may also let your classroom teacher know and we'll take care of it as soon as possible.

Can I come back on campus once I have left school?

If the reasons for returning to school are athletics, yes. However, there will be strict guidelines for meeting back at school after school hours. Our custodial crew will have a lot of deep cleaning and disinfecting to do and there can be no foot traffic as they do so.

If I am waiting for a ride home at the front of the campus ...May I wait inside?

As long as you are wearing a mask and are safely six feet or more away from others, you may wait in the front lobby. Waiting outside on the nice days is always an option. The same holds true for the Fine Arts Building. You must wear a mask and social distance.

Will this madness ever end and do you think school will be back to normal?

You are an amazing person and that no matter what school looks like and how different it seems, you are going to have an opportunity to do extraordinary things. Give 100% effort and work hard to succeed. We'll be here to help you every step of the way. And, if school doesn't look like it always did, keep in mind, you are a pioneer paving the way for future generations of learners. That's a pretty important job ...Good Luck and be Kind!