



WOODBURY MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Good Afternoon Woodbury Middle School Community,

Starting this school year has been quite the experience for all of us in Region 14. Adhering to the guidelines of state and local leaders, the staff at WMS welcomes our students back for what is sure to be a memorable school year. As you know, we have been working tirelessly to make our school safe for staff and students. The entire school has been prepared to meet all of the guidelines brought to us by our state and local health and education leaders.

The superintendent's office sent a letter with a breakdown of the hybrid schedule we will be using beginning on September 8th. Students in Cohort A (last names A-K) will attend school in person September 8th and 9th and students in Cohort B students in Cohort A (last names L-Z) will attend in person on September 10th and 11th. Students will arrive at school at 8:15 and enter the building using the grade level designated entrance. Students will report directly to their Period A class. Students will no longer gather in the café or hallways before school, and students not taking the bus should not arrive before 8:15. All students are required to have masks on at all times and will only be allowed to remove them during their lunchtime and periodic breaks. We ask that you continue to have your students practice wearing masks to prepare them for more extended periods during the school day.

Students in sixth will attend school every day except Wednesday. Wednesday, all students will participate in school remotely as the school is deep cleaned, and teachers prepare lessons and hold office hours for those who may be working remotely. In addition, the students in sixth grade will travel as a cohort. Students will remain with the same students throughout their core instruction and Unified Arts classes. Seventh and Eighth-grade students will move within their grade level cohort so they may participate in their chosen Unified Arts Classes.

Student schedules can be accessed through the Region 14 Parent Portal. Information on this will be coming later this week

Lunch will be provided to students with fewer choices. Students will remove their masks when seated in the lunchroom and will need to put it back on when moving around the café. Outdoor seating will be available for students if they choose.

Student lockers will not be used at this time; personal belongings should be limited to school-related items, as students will be required to carry them throughout the day. Phones will remain in their backpack as if they were in their locker. Students using phones without permission during the day will be subject to school discipline, as defined in the WMS handbook.

Sixth grade orientation is scheduled for Wednesday, September 2nd starting at 12:30. The day will include a short visit that allows students to look at schedules and visit classrooms before



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starting the first day of school. We will be sending a separate notice regarding sixth grade orientation very soon.

For the sake of brevity, we have linked our [Logistics and Protocol](#) to this letter. It will describe in more detail what we are doing at WMS. Please feel free to contact either administrator for clarification or questions.

Stay safe,

Bill Nemec
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