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### **Mt. Ascutney School District Vision**

*To honor, encourage, and celebrate the excellence, diversity, and aspirations of each learner through creative and motivating challenges.*

October 2, 2020

Dear Windsor Parents, Guardians, & Caregivers,

As we start a new month, we feel so thankful that we are still all healthy and successfully navigating in person learning. This is because of a tremendous amount of teamwork and our commitment to maintaining social distancing, masks, and frequent handwashing. It has been wonderful to see our extra curricular clubs and teams back in action. We are thankful to our students, our families, and our community supporters who cheer us on.

### **New Information for ALL:**

#### **Returning to school building after illness:**

Please read the latest guidance from the CDC. It can be found [here](#). If you have any questions please contact Elizabeth Martens at [elizabeth.martens@wsesu.net](mailto:elizabeth.martens@wsesu.net) Elizabeth will check email starting at 6 a.m. each day.

#### **Who to Call When Out Sick**

K-6: 802-674-8225 Alissa Nelson

7-12: 802-674-8305 Wendy Moody

Please note that when a student is absent, there will be a follow up call from the nurse.

#### **Coming up:**

## **Monday, October 5th**

Afternoon remote work will begin in our K-8 levels. The intention of this is to maintain academic standards and meet the individual needs of the student and family. It may include googlemeets as small groups or whole class, take home pencil and paper work and assignments or virtual assignments. Communication about what your child's schedule looks like will come from their teacher.

## **Oct. 9th**

This is a Remote School Day for all K-12 students. Teachers will provide instruction asynchronously.

## **Lunch**

Reminder that lunches are free until December 31st. Please give our new program a try. We are working on delivering lunches on remote days. This is tentatively scheduled to start on October 9th. More details to follow.

## **High School Information:**

VHS/EdOptions Student Information Alert - An email has been sent to both students and parents for VHS & EdOpt courses. Students need to check their email daily AND their dashboard daily. All courses have started. Parents if you have any questions please contact Kim Gogan, our Flexible Pathways Coordinator at [kimberly.gogan@wsesu.net](mailto:kimberly.gogan@wsesu.net)

Next week is "**Homecoming Week 2020**"! While we cannot hold traditional homecoming events with large gatherings, a bonfire, etc. we do want to encourage and celebrate school spirit next week. Look for celebratory messages on the video screens, special posting on social media, some extra "decorations" at home events, and a special lunch on Thursday. We will also continue the tradition of Spirit Week daily themes.

Here is the line-up:

- Monday - Pajama Day
- Tuesday - Tourist Day
- Wednesday - Duo Day
- Thursday - Green & Gold

Friday is a "Remote Day", so instead of dressing up for school, we invite you to post a picture, favorite memory, or encouraging comment on online, tagging our social media sites Twitter: **@AthleticsWSD** and IG: **@windsorvtathletics** in the message and using the hashtag **#WHS\_Homcoming2020**

Special thanks to the National Honor Society, Student Council, and Athletic Leadership Council, with a big assist from Mrs. Townsend, for getting this all organized.

Our school counselors, Greg Pickering and Jessica Vivian, are scheduling virtual parent

meetings. If you would like one please contact Suzanne Ambrose at sambrose@wsesu.net

### **Elementary and Middle School (K-8) Information:**

TMP- Track My Progress- is our local assessment that will take place 3 times during the school year: fall, winter and spring. Our Fall TMP testing window will take place between October 5th and 20th.

Students may bring a snack to eat from 8:00 - 8:30 am if they do not want to have the school breakfast.

Physical Education classes are starting across all K-8 classes, please make sure your child has sneakers on their PE class days. Sneakers are necessary for safe participation.

### **Helpful links:**

[School Website with daily bulletin](#)  
[WSESU 2020-2021 School Calendar](#)  
[Health & Safety Handbook](#)

We wish all of Windsor School Families a relaxing and fun weekend.

Warm regards,

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