



West Plains School District Board Update

January 18, 2022

Academic Update

Dr. Greg Carter and Tiffany Young gave the board an update on the elementary and secondary curriculum. The update included NAEP, a Glenwood School District literacy visit, praise for teachers on professional learning teams, and the RTI training in Ozark held in December.

Capital Improvements Update

Dr. Davis gave an update on the district's current improvements, including the HVAC at the West Plains Elementary.

Update to the SRCSP

The purpose of the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service Plan (SRCSP) is to define how the West Plains School District will ensure continued safe operations to maintain the health and safety of students and staff. Because conditions surrounding COVID19 are continually evolving, the SRCSP is reviewed every month by the board of education.

- Students or staff who display symptoms of COVID-19 while at school will be moved to a designated sick area within the school building to minimize contact with others until they go home.
- Students or staff who test positive for COVID-19 should isolate for 5 days from the onset of symptoms. They may return to school after 5 days, but must wear a mask for the next 5 days. This includes vaccinated individuals who test positive.
- Staff and students who are asymptomatic but test positive must quarantine at home for 5 days from positive test date. They will also wear a mask for 5 days upon returning. This includes vaccinated individuals who test positive.
- Those identified as close contacts with COVID positive individuals will not be excluded from school unless they exhibit COVID symptoms.
- Those who choose to attend school after being in close contact with a COVID positive individual will be screened for COVID symptoms upon entering school. Symptomatic individuals may return to school with a negative test, a note from a doctor stating the symptoms are unrelated to COVID or 24 hours after symptoms have subsided.
- Those in close contact with a COVID positive individual in their home will be excluded from school for 5 days to monitor themselves or will have the option to test to stay, as tests are available. Students must be fever free for 24 hours if symptoms arise.
- In conjunction with recommendations from the CDC, an athlete may be eligible to start the return to play stages/progression and be released from quarantine after 5 days have passed since symptoms first appeared AND has had no fever ($\geq 100.4F$) for 24 hours without fever reducing medication and significant improvement of mild symptoms (cough, runny nose, sore throat), OR, Student never had symptoms but tested positive and has been 5 days since positive test. All Return to Play protocols must be met.
- As with any communicable disease, there is a chance of exposure to COVID 19 in the school setting.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Wilson updated the board on student enrollment, an upcoming board work session and asked each principal to give a building update.

New Hires

Certified Positions

Jessica Gardner - Elementary Teacher (2022-23)

Non-Certified Positions

Gage Hanson - Paraprofessional
Christofer Henson - Bus Driver
Keegan Hoopes - Paraprofessional
Cassidy Lapham - Paraprofessional
Tara Miller - Paraprofessional
Alva Parks- Sub Bus Driver

Transfers

None

Resignations

Nicole Bentley - Paraprofessional (End of school year)
Matthew Bryant - Bus Driver - Transportation
David Dailey - Bus Driver - Transportation
Brook Davis - Assistant Volleyball Coach - WPHS
Samantha Driscoll - Secretary - WPHS
Jodi Ragan - Bus Driver - Transportation
Josh Shirley - Bus Driver - Transportation

The next board meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2022, at the West Plains High School Library. School board meetings are held monthly on the third Tuesday of each month unless otherwise posted.