

Dear WEA Community,

We hope that the summer months have given you the opportunity to enjoy some fun in the sun. This letter is meant to outline the options for the coming school year. These plans are still being adjusted and refined as we receive new information regarding the latest safety recommendations for schools. We will continue to adjust and develop the best possible options for our students and will keep you informed as we solidify the options for the fall. At this time we do not know which plan we will be starting with.

In order to provide the students with uninterrupted learning, we are continuing to develop the following plans. We will be prepared to move between each of the plans as necessary. It is our goal that we are in school as much as possible but most importantly, we want to ensure our students are safe.

Here is an overall look at the plans for the 2020-2021 school year.

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| <b>Plan A<br/>(All)</b>  | All Return   | New safety precautions in place.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Face to face learning 5 days a week</li><li>● Minimum social distancing</li></ul>   |
| <b>Plan B<br/>(Both)</b>   | Both at home and in school learning                | New safety precautions in place. Students divided into two groups. Each group follows a modified schedule. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Face to face learning 2 days a week</li><li>● Learning from home 3 days a week</li><li>● Moderate social distancing</li></ul> |
| <b>Plan C<br/>(Closed)</b>   | Buildings are closed/everyone learning from home   | Learning from home for 5 days a week for all students.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Packet lessons</li><li>● On-line assistance available</li></ul>   |
| *plan D will be in offered for select students and will run concurrently with Plan A, B, and C |  |  |   |
| <b>Plan D<br/>(Directed)</b>   | Parent Directed, Teacher assisted at-home learning | Learning from home for select students.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● On-line instruction</li><li>● Parent directed</li><li>● Teacher supported lessons.</li></ul>                                  |

In order to meet the needs of all of our students and families, we have developed the above plans to both follow the recommendations of the Governor, ODE and our local health departments to provide the safest learning environment possible.

These plans are in place to minimize the disruption of learning as the school and the community respond to the pandemic. We will keep you informed when we need to change from one plan to another through automated phone calls, emails, Facebook, and our website. **It is critical that the office has current information to contact you.**

WEA will be implementing a facial covering policy in compliance with the Ohio Department of Education and the CDC. For more information on why masks are being worn at school please go to [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov). A copy of the policy will be provided to you before the start of school. The policy will most likely require students in grades 3-12 to wear a face-covering. We are researching the best way to keep our younger students (K-2) healthy while at school and will provide further information once we have made final decisions. This could include the addition of dividers at their seats and may not require face masks.

WEA will provide a standard cloth mask to students. If your student is not comfortable wearing the provided mask, they are welcome to bring one from home. We are only asking that the mask be a solid color and free from words or decoration. WEA students can choose to wear a face shield, bandana, disposable mask, or homemade tie mask. We want the students to be comfortable and safe. Please be sure that you are aware of how to clean your child's face covering and that it is kept clean. **All face coverings must fit properly (cover nose and mouth), be a solid color, and have no words or decorations. We know this will not be an easy transition for anyone. We are working to incorporate safe opportunities for students to have a break from wearing the mask throughout the day. All staff will have face coverings as well.**

Additional school-wide changes include; additional hand sanitizer stations, no-touch thermometers, daily disinfectant of classrooms and common areas, strategic and clear foot traffic patterns, limited visitor access to the buildings, and additional deep cleaning/disinfecting weekly. All staff members will also be wearing a face covering and are having their temperature checked each day.

We will have more detailed information for you regarding the return to school and each of the plans. Thank you all, for your understanding and commitment to our school community's safety.

As always, please feel free to call the school offices with any questions.