



WOOD RIVER MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear WRMS Parents and Students,

This letter is to inform you about all the major changes we have prepared for to keep students, staff and visitors safe. These are some practices across our District's schools and some are unique to WRMS.

- ✓ Visitors do not enter the building past the office. The principal has discretion for special parent meetings or visitors who may be contracted to work inside the school.
- ✓ All students and staff will be wearing masks and social distancing as much as possible.
- ✓ Individual desk shields have been provided for secondary schools.
- ✓ Daily class schedule drops from seven to four. There will be less passing periods and less student interaction during the day.
- ✓ Staggered passing periods so halls are not congested. Lockers are no longer alphabetically assigned, and students will be released in cohorts as opposed to all at once.
- ✓ Three grade level lunches instead of two to decrease student numbers. Indoor and outdoor seating with single sealed meals being served.
- ✓ Altered drop off times so students are not in the school in the mornings for lengthy periods. Students will be outside in the morning and will need warmer clothing when they leave home.
- ✓ Gym closed during lunch. All lunch activity time will be outdoors, just like the elementary schools.
- ✓ New lighting for many facilities and better air filters for classrooms. 100% of the air is refreshed in classrooms every 20 minutes.

Some parents are considering online learning for 2020-2021, because of the unknown. This choice is a semester-long commitment and parents cannot change their mind after a couple of weeks. The semester ends at the end of January. Although, this is a viable and safe option, many students struggle with a full online course load. The number one problem we have seen is that students fall behind quickly. Students taking classes for advancement often struggle through online learning even with just one class. Taking a full load can be very challenging.

I encourage you all to make sure you have updated and completed your online registration for the upcoming school year. I am proud at all the preparations our District has committed to this summer to maintain a safe and productive school environment.

Sincerely,

Fritz Peters

Fritz Peters, Principal

Example of Desk Shields for every student.



Our mission is to inspire, engage, educate and empower every student.