



WYOMISSING AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dear Wyomissing Area JSHS Parents/Guardians

As we complete our first week of virtual instruction, I hope this message finds everyone safe and a little more comfortable with our new school experience. As all Pennsylvania schools remain closed indefinitely, we will continue to move forward with on-line instruction, communicate all updates as we receive them, and work in collaboration with our students and staff in an effort to best support them.

Instruction Update:

Our online instruction began this week with much success. All teachers will continue to post resources and assignments at least three days per week to Schoology. Students must continue to check their WASD email, log on to Schoology daily, create a schedule for themselves, submit completed work, and communicate with their teachers.

Teachers will continue to be available between the hours of 10:00-12:00 p.m. and 1:00-3:00 p.m. for our students to contact them with any questions.

We are aware of and apologize for the disruptions to Schoology. It is affecting our students' ability to complete work and our teachers' ability at times to post assignments and resources. Students from all over the country are using this as their daily instructional tool and Schoology is working on dealing with this increased network traffic. We will remain optimistic and flexible.

The end of the third marking period will be Thursday, April 30, 2020, which will allow our students enough time to complete all of their work for the quarter.

We still have a shortlist of students whose iPads are in the building. We have reached out to these families and will transport them to whichever school building is closest to your home for a convenient pickup. Please contact us if this pertains to you.

Hyperlinks to frequently used online applications can be found at the following URL:

http://wasdwjsh.ss18.sharpschool.com/for_students.

Email One2One@wyoarea.org to submit a help request to the technology department.

Advance Placement Updates:

Stay current with all AP changes pertaining to test dates, security measures, exam details, etc. at: <https://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org/students>

Calendar:

Our instructional days for next week will be Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday (April 6, 7, and 8) and Thursday and Friday are recognized holidays for all students and staff. Monday, April 13 will also be an online instructional day. The end of the 2019-20 school year remains June 5, 2020.

Lunch/Breakfast:

We will continue to serve meals at all three buildings on Mondays (for Monday and Tuesday) and Wednesdays (for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday). Come see us at any of our three buildings between 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; we love to see our students.

Please be on the lookout for some entertaining and interactive ways we can all still connect with one another as a community starting next week. Below are plans currently being scheduled, stay tuned for more to come. Post, comment and share. As a community, we are stronger together.

Monday Morning Announcements:

What better way to start your online learning week than with your peers in this entertaining morning announcement. Every Monday your student peers will review the weather, play a submitted joke of the day, and discuss any upcoming district events. The Morning announcements can be found on the students' Schoology "class of" pages as well as the district social media accounts on Monday mornings.

Additional Information:

Please visit our District website for all past communications, helpful links, and community resources at the following link:

https://www.wyoarea.org/departments/health_services/coronavirus

Thank you and be well.

Dr. Jones