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WCS Families and School Community:

We are about one week away from the start of the 2022-2023 academic year in the Warren City Schools and everything is coming together well for us to celebrate another successful start to the school year. Spending time around the WGH campus with students participating in the freshman academy experience, marching band members perfecting their routines and our athletic programs practicing are all signs that school is about to begin.

On Wednesday, August 17, 2022 starting at 11:30 am we will once again be welcoming WCS families at Courthouse Square in downtown Warren for our Back to School Celebration. This event is an opportunity for our students, families, building staff and community partners to engage together and get excited about the start of school. Once again each of our buildings and some of our community partners will have areas set up and we will be providing hot dogs, chips and water as well as some prizes for our WCS students. This event will also feature some of our WGH band students performing, WGH cheerleaders and an appearance by our Raider Football Team. If your schedule permits, please join us this Wednesday on the square!

First days of school:

- Our first day of school for students in **Grades 1-12** will be on **Monday, August 22nd**.
- Our first day of school for students in **Kindergarten** will be on **Tuesday, August 23rd**, 2022.
- Our first day for **Preschool girls only** will be on **Wednesday, August 24th**.
- Our first day for **Preschool boys only** will be on **Thursday, August 25th**.

Educational start and end times are below for all students in grades K-12:

| School | Ed Hours | AM Drop | Tardy Bell | PM Depart |
|--------|-------------|---------|------------|-----------|
| WGH | 7:55 - 2:38 | 7:35 | 7:55 | 2:45 |
| LINC | 8:40-3:25 | 8:30 | 8:40 | 3:30 |
| MCG | 8:40-3:25 | 8:30 | 8:40 | 3:30 |
| JEF | 9:25-4:10 | 9:15 | 9:25 | 4:15 |
| WIL | 9:25-4:10 | 9:15 | 9:25 | 4:15 |

- We are grateful to provide so many amazing opportunities for the children in the Warren City Schools and thanks to a grant through the State of Ohio this year Warren City Schools is expanding our partnership with Akron Children's Hospital to include a fully staffed School-Based Health Center. This includes nurse practitioners, clinical coordinator, medical assistant, social worker, and a community health worker. This service will allow your child to be seen during the school day for well visits and sick visits for minor illnesses. This service is in

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addition to our current nursing team and will allow your child to be diagnosed and treated right here at school with your consent. This will help remove barriers our families may have to accessing health care for their child. The School-Based Health Center looks forward to meeting families at the upcoming community and school events and we expect from this partnership improvements in student attendance and overall academic success!

COVID 19:

This morning we received an update on COVID 19 recommendations from our local health officials. Below are a few highlights, recommendations and expectations intended to keep our students and staff healthy:

- When ill or demonstrating symptoms of COVID 19 stay home and get tested.
- Demonstrate proper handwashing techniques and use of hand sanitizer especially before and after meals or using high touch areas.
- Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing, preferably by sneezing into your arm.
- Maintain cleaning protocols of high touch surface areas such as countertops or door knobs.
- Masking is recommended indoors when Trumbull County is in a status of high transmission of COVID 19.
- Masking is recommended for ten days if directly exposed to an individual diagnosed with COVID 19.

Additionally, individuals who have been medically diagnosed or tested positive for COVID 19 are required to wear a proper tight fitting mask and isolate for five days. If symptoms have improved individual can return on day six wearing a proper tight fitting mask for days six through ten (day one is the day after receiving a positive test result).

WCS Transportation:

If your child uses WCS Transportation your bus stop information will be sent to you via US Mail prior to the start of school at your current address we have on file. Should you have questions regarding transportation, please feel welcome to call our transportation department directly at 330-841-2265.

On behalf of the Warren City School District Board of Education and Administration I want you to know we are excited to start another academic year and look forward to working with your child. If you have not done so already, please update your information and e-sign all documents in final forms. If you need any assistance, feel welcome to reach out to your child's school office for support.

Sincerely,



Steve Chiaro, Superintendent
Warren City Schools