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*WHS Mission Statement:
Educate and prepare ALL students for a successful future*

WHS COVID-19 RETURN TO SCHOOL GUIDELINES

(These guidelines may be subject to change)

1. WE WILL BEGIN SCHOOL ON AUGUST 10TH USING DISTANCE LEARNING.

2. When Willcox Unified School District is able to have students on campus, we will split our students into Group A (last name beginning with A – L), and Group B (last name beginning with M – Z). Group A will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays and Group B will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students who have different last names but live in the same house will be placed in the same group (parents must notify the school so arrangements can be made). Teachers will deliver two days worth of lessons each day their classes meet on campus. When students are not on campus, they will be encouraged to complete the homework assigned to them. Homework deadlines will be set and followed in conjunction with our student handbook (example - if you miss two days of lessons, you will have two school days to make up the work). Student's with 504 Plans or IEPs will follow the expectations discussed with their case manager and their accommodations and modifications will be met. **Our campus will reinforce good hygiene by all staff members and students. Washing of hands and/or the use of hand sanitizer will be encouraged by all.**

3. WHS will open the gate by the attendance office at 7:30 a.m. for temperature and symptom checks for all high school students who do not ride a school bus before entering campus. If a student has symptoms and/or a temperature of 100.4 or higher, their parent/guardian will be contacted and they will be sent home for the day.

4. Students will report to their first period classroom once they arrive on campus – they may choose to get their school breakfast prior to reporting to the classroom.

5. Willcox High School will recommend the wearing of face coverings on campus during the school day when social distancing cannot be observed (classrooms, between classes, office visits, etc.).

6. If a staff member observes a student with symptoms during the day, the student will be escorted to Ms. Hall's office and the school nurse will be called to check symptoms. If symptoms are the result of allergies and/or asthma – the nurse will communicate with the parent/guardian to confirm symptoms and student may return to class. If symptoms are not associated with pre-existing conditions, the student may be sent home for the day.

7. Staff will encourage social distancing/wearing of face coverings between classes. Traffic in the hallways, stairs, and sidewalks will follow the same pattern as a car would on a street – students must stay on their right when walking in the direction of their destination until they arrive at their assigned classroom.

"Small school ~ Big opportunities"

It is the mission of the Willcox School District to continuously expand opportunities for every student.

8. Students will still be able to leave campus during lunch either through parent/guardian checkout or off-campus lunch permit. Upon their return, students will have their temperatures checked again when they sign in. Students eating in the cafeteria will pick up their lunch and may choose to sit in the designated seating areas in and around the cafeteria or in designated areas on campus, including classrooms with staff members present. Students are strongly discouraged to share food (either from the cafeteria, from home, or restaurants).

9. Students must come prepared daily with their own school supplies. Each teacher will provide a list of needed classroom supplies at the beginning of the year. Students are strongly discouraged from sharing their own school supplies with other students.

10. Some classes, such as choir, band/orchestra, P.E. and labs may require alternative lesson plans to limit contact and the sharing of supplies, and to reduce the spread of respiratory droplets.

11. Parents/guardians are the first line of defense and if they observe any of the following symptoms from their student(s), they must contact the school and keep their child(ren) at home:

- fever of 100.4 or higher
- shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- headache
- congestion or runny nose
- vomiting
- new loss of taste or smell
- muscle aches
- sore throat
- fatigue
- cough
- diarrhea

Although this is a difficult time for our educational community, we would like to stress that we are taking measures to ensure the safety of our staff and students. If at any time, you have questions or concerns regarding the guidelines or the start of school, please don't hesitate to contact me. There are options available for various types of learning during this pandemic. Please remember that these guidelines are fluid and may change with any changes from the CDC and the state of Arizona. Thank you for your continued patience and cooperation – together, WE ARE WILLCOX!!

Important Dates

July 13th – WUSD returning students pick up registration packets from Ms. Hall's office (new students to WUSD must pick up enrollment packets if they haven't already done so)

REGISTRATION – you must turn in your completed and signed registration packet in order to get your class schedule

July 27th – Seniors from 7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Juniors from 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

July 28th – Sophomores from 7:30 – 11:00 a.m., Freshmen from 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

July 29th and 30th – new students to the district and all remaining incoming WHS students from 7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

August 10th – 1st day of school (distance learning)