



WORCESTER CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Dear Worcester Central School Families,

On behalf of all us at Worcester Central School I would like to say thank you for your assistance with a great week of full in-person learning! We enjoyed having all of our students back in the classroom and sharing in their enthusiasm to learn in-person. In order to keep things running smoothly and have our students remain in school, we need your continued partnership and cooperation in the following areas:

- **Daily Screenings.** Please remember to follow the social contract and screen your child daily. Students with any symptom of COVID-19 including fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, headache, muscle or body aches, loss of taste and/or smell, congestion, runny nose and/or sore throat, fatigue, vomiting, or diarrhea should not come to school. Notify the school nurse at (607) 397-8785 x126 if your child has a symptom and will not be attending school. A helpful chart showing when to send your child to school is available on our website: www.worcestercs.org.
- **Masks.** We have updated our website with the most recent information provided by the Otsego County Department of Health regarding masks. Masks should fit snug over the nose and mouth, not be bandanas, gaiters or have any vents/valves.
- **Symptomatic Students Being Sent Home.** The NY State Department of Health protocols require students being sent home for symptoms of COVID-19 to either receive an alternate diagnosis from a healthcare provider or a COVID-19 Test with negative results before returning to school. If after 48 hours there are no negative test results available the student is deemed COVID-19 positive. The student (in addition to any household members) must be isolated at home.

I am confident that by all of us doing our part we will keep each other safe and healthy. To further assist in keeping our students healthy, WCS will provide free meals to all students for the entire school year by participating in the U.S. Department of Agriculture programs. Every student is eligible for free breakfast and lunch for the remainder of the school year to ensure they are getting nutritious meals each day.

In closing, we look forward to continuing our successful in-person learning and thank you again for your continued support.

Respectfully,

Tim Gonzales
Superintendent