

## Frequently Asked Questions

Do parents have an option to choose what model of learning for the upcoming year?

No, at this time parents will not be given an option to choose between remote and in school learning. Only students with medical exemptions can choose remote learning if WCS is open for in person learning. Students without a medical exemption will be required to register with the District as home schooled students if they choose not to attend school. The decision on what model to be implemented will take into account the safety of the students and staff based on guidance from the department of health, NYSED, and the Governor.

What is the difference between home instruction and remote learning?

Under NYS education regulation 100.10 a parent may choose to have their child participate in home instruction. The parent is required to submit a letter to the District with intent to provide home instruction. In addition, the parent must provide the District an Individualized Home Instruction Plan outlining the curriculum to be used. Upon notifying the district of the intent to homeschool, the student is no longer enrolled in the District. Remote learning is the result of the COVID19 Pandemic and is implemented in the event students are not able to attend school in a traditional way. The decision for remote learning is made by the District. Students remain enrolled in the District during remote learning. An individual student with a qualified and documented medical condition may be permitted to participate in remote learning if the District is open for in person instruction if that medical condition would put the student at risk of negative health impact as a result of attending school.

Will there be BOCES?

Yes, we are working with BOCES to determine how our students will attend. Once their schedules are released we will post them on our website. BOCES are also required to have an online model, hybrid model, and full reopening model.

What days are students actually in the building in the three models?

In remote learning students would not attend school in the building. In the current hybrid 'phase 1' model students would be divided into 2 cohorts. One cohort would attend school in the building Monday and Tuesday. The second cohort would attend in person Thursday and Friday. In the 'Phase 2' hybrid model, all students would attend Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Wednesday would be a remote day. In the full in person return model all students will attend WCS Monday through Friday. Wednesday will be a half day for students.

If there are no lockers will students carry their backpacks?

Students will carry their belongings with them throughout the day. However, schedules are being made so that students will move minimally throughout the day and they will have multiple classes in the same location. Additionally, students will not be required to change for physical education.

When will the school year start?

The academic year will start as planned on September 8th regardless of what learning model is chosen.

Will there be CROP?

For the safety of our students and staff there will be no after school activities until further notice. WCS is working with CROP to determine how they will operate, but there will be no in person CROP for the first semester.

What if I don't have the internet, how will my child complete remote learning?

Households that do not have internet capabilities should contact Kyle Fabiano at (607) 397-8785. If families are unable to connect to the internet there will be alternate work (non-internet based) provided and teachers will use alternate methods to communicate with those students to ensure learning is taking place.

Do students really have to wear a mask all day?

Students will be required to wear masks in the following locations: on the school bus/school vehicles, in hallways, in the restrooms, in school offices, cafeteria lunch line, and in any classroom where social distancing cannot be maintained. Students do not have to wear a mask while eating at meal times. Mask breaks will occur throughout the day with students at least 6 feet apart from one another.

What about students in Career and Technical Classes, outside placements or Special Education?

If a student is assigned to another location for a particular program and that program is meeting in person then those students will attend. Students requiring direct Special Education Services at times may attend in person learning even if WCS is in remote learning.