



WORCESTER CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Dear Worcester Central School Parents and Guardians:

I hope this communication still finds you and your families all healthy and safe. I would like to share some important updates as we close out the school year. Unfortunately, under the Governor's order all school related events for the remainder of the school year are cancelled and Special Education summer programs will be conducted virtually. Information about these programs will be shared in a future communication.

Below is a list of updates. It is important to know that some of the information is based on the most recent guidance and is subject to change if the Governor or the New York State Education Department provides additional guidance requiring adjustments.

Important Updates:

- **End of School Year.** Under the most recent guidance, the last day of classes at WCS will be Tuesday, June 16, 2020.
- **Report Cards.** Report cards will be available for pick up Monday, June 22, 2020. A schedule and pick up details will be shared in a future communication.
- **Return of Student Materials.** Materials borrowed from the school, such as student chrome books, calculators, textbooks, library books, parking passes and instruments will be returned on Monday, June 22, 2020. A schedule and details for dropping off student materials will be shared in a future communication.
- **Meal Distribution.** Under current guidance, meal delivery will end on Sunday, June 14, 2020. If your student needs to be added to the list please contact Joe Calleja at jcalleja@worcestercs.org.
- **Budget Vote.** The school budget vote will be Tuesday, June 9, 2020. Under executive order, all voting will be conducted by absentee ballot and must be received by 5:00 p.m. on June 9, 2020. Absentee ballots have been sent to qualified voters on the most recent years' poll lists. If you need to request an absentee ballot to vote please contact District Clerk Wendy Elliott at wendyelliott@worcestercs.org or call 607-397-8785 ext. 116. All WCS budget information can be found at www.worcestercs.org. For budget questions, please contact District Treasurer Gary Pochkar at gpochkar@worcestercs.org or call 607-397-8785 ext. 122.
- **Graduation.** As of the writing of this letter the Governor has given individual counties the ability to govern ceremonies such as graduations. We are working with Otsego County to obtain guidance on what graduation ceremonies may be permitted for schools. More information will be provided as soon as it becomes available.
- **School Reopening.** In June, NYS is expected to release guidance regarding the reopening of schools for the fall. School districts will have until July to submit plans for approval which will include full reopening, hybrid of in-class and at home learning, and full at home learning plans.

As we enter the final stretch of the school year, on behalf of all of us at WCS, I would like to again extend our thanks to you. This year has been a tremendous challenge, yet as a school community we have rallied whenever called upon. We greatly appreciate the unending support from the WCS parents, guardians, caregivers, and community. With you as valued partners, our students received the best education possible given such difficult and overwhelming circumstances. I encourage each of you to finish Wolverine Strong! Take pride in all that was accomplished as a school community and the tremendous strength we now have to move forward. We at WCS are still here for you, if we can assist in any way please let us know.

Respectfully,

Tim Gonzales
Superintendent