



WARREN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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INFORMATIONAL LETTER REGARDING STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-12 TEMPORARILY DENIED ENTRY TO SCHOOL DUE TO COVID-19

As COVID-19 cases continue to rise, the district's contact-tracing team is finding multiple students in all buildings having to be temporarily denied entry to school. The students who are quarantined are either positive cases or a close contact to a positive case. Though the students are temporarily denied entry to school, the district is required to provide educational opportunities until they are able to return.

As the new year began, we anticipated working through some concerns and issues. Below is what we seem to be experiencing as well as a tentative voluntary solution:

1. The expectation for 6th through 12th grade students is to log into Microsoft TEAMS to receive their assignments and any instructions provided by the teacher.
2. The expectation is then for the students to complete any assignments that were posted and to turn in any work that needed to be turned in.
3. The expectation is if the student has any questions on their assignment, they are to FIRST contact the quarantine teacher and see if they can get help that way. If the quarantine teacher can not help them, the quarantine teacher is to email the student's teacher and explain the problem to him/her. The teacher is expected to reply to the student within 24 hours of receiving the email.
4. Teachers are experiencing many of their students who are temporarily denied entry to school not logging onto Microsoft TEAMS. Therefore, the student is not receiving his or her assignment and is falling behind early in the new school year.

Some teachers are volunteering to do the following to help their students who find it difficult to follow the instructions given on assignments:

1. Students will log onto their Microsoft TEAMS period-by-period.
2. Teachers can choose to communicate with students temporarily denied entry to school the ability to get onto Microsoft TEAMS and view daily live lessons.
3. Teachers can choose to share their SMART TV screen so the student has access to information being taught.
4. Teachers can choose to have audio on to allow the student(s) temporarily denied entry to school the ability to listen to the daily lesson.

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Please understand that not all teachers may be doing this and if students continue to have issues with their assignments we encourage them to reach out to their teachers to find a solution that works for both teacher and student.

Also, please be advised this tentative solution is **only** for students who are temporarily denied entry to school due to COVID-19. All attendance regarding students temporarily denied access to school due to COVID-19 will be handled through the Main Office.

Teachers should be working with case manager's to ensure IEP's are being met for any student with a disability who is temporarily denied entry to school due to COVID-19.

Reminder

Below is the list of quarantine teachers available during portions of the day who have the ability to assist students who are temporarily denied entry to school. The students may access these quarantine teachers in regards to questions they may have on specific assignments.

If the quarantine teacher is unable to assist the student due to the nature of the content, the quarantine teacher should email or call the teacher-of-record to inform them of the name of student and specific question(s) he/she had on the assignment.

A list of the quarantine teachers for first semester is listed below:

<u>TIME</u>	<u>TEACHER NAME</u>	<u>CONTENT AREA</u>	<u>EMAIL ADDRESS</u>
8:00 to 8:50	Mike Labbe - EMHS Caryn Ryan – SAMHS	Mathematics 6-12 Physical Education K-12	labbem@wcsdpa.org ryanc@wcsdpa.org
8:53 to 9:43	Rick Nowacki – SAMHS	Physical Education K-12	nowackir@wcsdpa.org
9:46 to 10:38	Jill Lasecki – WAHS Caryn Ryan – SAMHS Jessica McElhaney - EMHS	Social Studies 6-12 Physical Education K-12 Art, Computer/Business	laseckij@wcsdpa.org ryanc@wcsdpa.org mcelhaneyjl@wcsdpa.org
1:30 to 2:20	Laurie Carr – WAHS Gregg Blair – YMHS	Mathematics 6-12 Physical Education K-12	carrla@wcsdpa.org blairg@wcsdpa.org
2:24 to 3:14	Lacey Clark – WAHS Caren Pence – YMHS	ELA 6-12 Librarian	clarkl@wcsdpa.org pencec@wcsdpa.org

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