WETZEL COUNTY SCHOOLS

April 27, 2020



IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED FOR REMAINDER OF SCHOOL YEAR

May 25 Memorial Day Holiday

June 5 Last day for academic engagement activities & last day for students

June 8 CD for Employees

June 9 Election Day - Employees do not work

June 10 CD for Employees
June 11 Prep for closure day

June 12-18 OS Days

Aug. 14 Deadline for parent survey for Special Education

**Late May Each school will have a drop-off day for textbooks

**May Each school will have specific instructions on how students

may pick up their personal items

June Report cards will be mailed home

Pre-K Registration — *TBA* — *Letters will be mailed to parents Grade-level Orientations* — *TBA* — *sometime in August*

→Important dates for individual High Schools are located on the pages to follow.

Please follow us on all Wetzel County Schools' social media sources Or our website at:

https://www.wetzelcountyschools.com/



TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE

-Students and parents can submit tech questions to: techhelp@wetzelcountyschools.com



- -WiFi access points are located in the school parking lots for students to connect their 1:1 devices.
- -TECH Days are held one day a week for any student having computer issues. On these days, students can bring their laptops to the WCTEC for assistance from the technology department. The specific day changes weekly—announcements are placed on our website and posted to all Wetzel County Schools' social media sites.
- -Additional information for students, parents and staff can be found at the following:

Instructional Links: https://www.wetzelcountyschools.com/Page/14789

How to Link: https://www.wetzelcountyschools.com/Page/13218

Links for Staff: https://www.wetzelcountyschools.com/Page/14790

Instructional Plan: https://www.wetzelcountyschools.com/Page/14802

All above lives at: https://www.wetzelcountyschools.com/covid

Online Instructional Packets live: https://www.wetzelcountyschools.com/ covidinstruction



STUDENT MEAL DISTRIBUTION:

Wetzel County Schools will continue to provide meal bundles (5 days worth of breakfasts and lunches) until the 'end of the school year'.

Meals will be distributed every Monday (or as noted below) through bus routes and drive-thru locations at our four grade schools.

Buses will run on a two-hour delay schedule.

Meals at the grade schools will be available from Noon-1:00.

Future delivery dates are as follows:

Monday, April 27

Monday, May 4

Monday, May 11

Monday, May 18

Tuesday, May 26

Monday, June 1

Summer Food Program information will be disseminated at a later date.



Blended Digital Learning Model

The goal of our district's Blended Digital Learning Model is to support student learning through a variety of strategies. Our model is designed to:

- meet the educational needs of all students in the broadest of terms in these unprecedented times;
- provide a remote learning environment that is educational, interesting and engaging to students;
- focus on continuity of learning;
- maintain previously learned standards and the maintenance of essential skills; and
- to leverage currently available digital resources and content.

Blended Digital Learning Model Instruction:

Students will be provided a variety of learning activities focusing on developmentally appropriate content standards and maintaining essential skills. Students will be expected, when possible, to be engaged in all digital learning programs. Your teachers will alert you to the websites they wish for you to use when they assign activities.



Blended Digital Learning Model Elementary Preschool & Grades K-1 Grading:

Assessment at the preschool through first grade level will focus on children's learning processes and progress, rather than on assignment completion and due dates. Developmentally appropriate assessments for preschool through first grade children demonstrating continuation of learning may include:

- Photos of artifacts: family members can submit a photo of student work and the educator can provide feedback;
- The use of technology such as Facebook and ZOOM to have teacher-student interaction. Family phone calls: including parent and student to help determine needed skills;
- Video child's skills: family member takes video of their child completing a task and shares with the teacher utilizing a district-approved platform.

Blended Digital Learning Model <u>Elementary Grading:</u>

In grades 2 through 4, the grading process will focus on the continuation of learning. This may include documentation of learning and giving feedback rather than only assigning grades. Examples of this may include teacher/student collaboration, performance-based assessments such as i-Ready, portfolios, journals, discussion posts, video responses, audio recordings projects, choice boards, and other artifacts.

Blended Digital Learning Model MS Level Grading:

Students will continue to complete assignments through our digital blended learning model. Students are expected to continue submitting work through the grading period. Teachers will implore a variety of different methods and strategies to assess student learning. Under no circumstance will a student's grade be affected by the lack of internet access and the ability to complete and submit digital assignments. Teachers are expected to make every effort to communicate with students through any medium possible and to demonstrate flexibility in meeting the needs of their students. Grades can only be enhanced from the students' average as of March 13, 2020.



Blended Digital Learning Model High School Grading:

Students will continue to complete assignments through our digital blended learning model. Students are expected to continue submitting work up to and including deadlines imposed by their home school, higher education institution, and/or career technical center.

Teachers will employ a variety of different methods and strategies to assess student learning. Under no circumstance will a student's grade be affected by the lack of Internet access and the ability to complete and submit digital assignments. However, students are expected to make every effort to communicate with their teachers through any medium possible to identify a solution to their submitting work. Individual student circumstances will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Blended Digital Learning Model Wetzel County Schools Grading and Credit:

Students in danger of not receiving a high school diploma with their grade level peers could "rescue" the failing grade or retake a course they failed by taking credit recovery classes. Credit Recovery will also be available first semester for at -risk students for 2020-2021. Credit Recovery courses are presently available. Please contact your school immediately should you need to enroll in one of these courses.

Additional Individual High School information is as follows



HUNDRED HIGH SCHOOL

Final Submission of Academic Assignments June 5th, 2020

Academic Engagement Activities Will Take Place

Monday, April 27th Through Thursday, June 4th

2nd Semester Exams Cancelled for HS

Seniors Last Day of School

May 19th, 2020

Underclassmen Last Day of School

June 4th, 2020

Report Cards will be mailed home

June 10th, 2020

Prom

Friday, July 17th, 2020 at Hundred High School

Senior Graduation Practice followed by a Senior Picnic

Friday, July 24th, 2020 starting at 10AM at HHS. Picnic following the practice.

Graduation Ceremony combined with recognition of Senior Scholarships July 25th at 3PM

Yearbook Distribution

Tentatively Fall 2020

Band Camp

TBD at a later date

National Honor Society Induction

TBD at a later date

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Magnolia High School

Last day of school for underclassmen: June 4

Last day for seniors – May 19



College and dual credit courses have continued – college portion will follow college schedule and dual credit will follow county schedule.

Class Day – Senior Awards Ceremony – July 29 Alternate date – August 5

Report cards to be mailed home for underclassmen – June 12

Report cards will be included in graduation packet for seniors after graduation

Junior/Senior Prom – July 25 Alternate Date August 1

Senior Graduation practice – July 27 Alternate date – August 4

Graduation Ceremony – July 30 Alternate date – August 6

Baccalaureate – July 26 Alternate date - August 2

9th Grade Orientation and Student Orientation – First day of school

Co-curricular and Extra-curricular – none on schedule and will follow guidance from the state

Band Camp – dates are set for July 20-24 – camp at the school and July 26-31 at the 4-H grounds

No senior picnic

National Honor Society Induction occurs in November at Magnolia

Yearbook distribution – yearbook is not completed at this time, but will be sent to press by end of the school year and be distributed in August/September

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Paden City High School



School Closure Is in Effect Through the Remainder of the School Year

Final Submission of Academic Assignments Will Be Due on Wednesday, June 3, 2020

Academic Engagement Activities Will Take Place Monday, April 27th Through Thursday, June 4th

College and Dual Credit Courses Will Continue as Determined? Yes

• 2nd Semester Exams Cancelled for HS

June 5 Will Remain the Last Day of School for Students

Senior Awards will occur at graduation

On June 10 Report Cards Will Be Mailed

- Our Junior / Senior Prom is on July 24, 2020
- On July 30, 2020 Seniors Graduation Practice at 10:00 Followed by Their Senior Picnic.
- On July 31 Graduation Ceremony at 7PM
- 6th Grade Orientation- Day prior to 1st day of school

National Honor Society/Mu Alpha Theta Inductions- July 28 at 7PM

To recap-

July 24th Prom-Location to be determined.

July 27- National Honor Society/Mu Alpha Theta Inductions 7PM at Jesse Brown Hall aka-Multi Purpose Building.

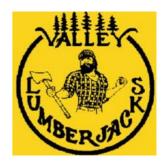
July 30- Graduation Practice at 10AM followed by Senior Picnic

July 31- Graduation at 7PM at Berger Stadium weather permitting-alternate site is Bob Burton Gymnasium

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Valley High School



- College and Dual Credit Courses Will Continue as Determined
- 2nd Semester Exams Cancelled for HS
- June 4th Will Remain the Last Day of School for Students
- During Graduation on July 24th, we will announce and honor our 2020 Scholarship Recipients, Top Ten Student Ranking, As Well As Salutatorian and Valedictorian
- After all grades are completed, Report Cards Will Be Mailed home like in years past
- VHS Junior / Senior Prom will be on July 18th 2020.
- On July 23, 2020 Seniors Graduation Practice at 10:00 Followed by Their Senior Picnic.
- On July 24, 2020 VHS Graduation Ceremony at 6:00.
- *Senior Class National Honor Society Induction During Graduation
- *An option for graduation if we are still quarantined would be to have a double graduation next year with both classes (2020 and 2021). Not ideal but most like the norm. Just an idea.
- *We have also talked that if we are not able to put on a prom to invite all the seniors to next year's prom. Once again, just an idea.
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Special Education:

Parents of students receiving special education and related services (Speech, OT, and PT) have the opportunity to complete a survey on parent satisfaction with the partnership efforts their school provides. Every three years, all of West Virginia's school districts are surveyed.

Your responses to this survey will help the WV Office of Special Education and your county school district improve services and results for children and families. Your responses remain confidential and no personally identifiable information will be reported. The survey will be mailed to your home by *Measurement Incorporated*.

The parent/guardian will receive either a pre-school survey, or a school age survey, or both depending on their child's or children's grade(s) level. *Measurement Inc. must receive all survey responses by August 14, 2020.*

The mailing will include a copy of the survey, a link to the survey online, and a stamped return envelope. *Most importantly is the 7-digit Survey ID Number (an individualized number) that each mailed survey has that is specific to each family.* That code tells Measurement Incorporated which families have responded to the survey.

It is very important that all surveys are completed and returned in the enclosed envelope or online as soon as possible. The deadline for completion is August 14, 2020.

If you need assistance completing the survey or have questions, please contact your child's special education teacher, principal, or the Special Education Director at (304) 815-1929 for assistance.



Social Emotional Focus:

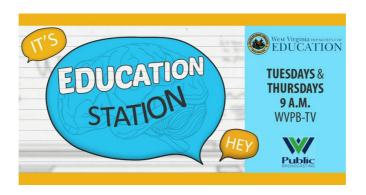
Social connections are very important for children. Parents are encouraged to provide their child opportunities to communicate with their friends, however possible, to help with the transition when we do return to school. The priority for families during the remote learning period is safety, health, and well-being. Our school community, including principals, teachers, counselors, nurses and support staff are expected to partner with parents in keeping students emotionally and physically safe, fed and engaged in learning. Counselors and social workers are collaborating on creating a weekly "Wellness Wednesday" lesson. This is a brief activity each week concerning social-emotional learning, and students can access the lessons on the Wetzel County Schools social media sites. Five of our schools are members of the West Virginia Family Engagement Center. HHS, MHS, PCHS, VHS, and NMS families may use resources from this collaboration at this website:

https://www.theedventuregroup.org/wvfec

Additionally, a counseling request form has been created if you wish to speak with a counselor. You can access this form on the Wetzel County Schools' website at:

https://www.wetzelcountyschools.com/

Located under COVID-19 Updates — Instructional Links



WV Public Broadcasting

The West Virginia Department of Education is partnering with WV Public Broadcasting to provide content for two 30-minute segments per week, on TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS, that will cover all developmental levels.

To view Education Station segments visit:

tv.wvpublic.org/education.

WV Public Broadcasting is adjusting their schedule on the WV Channel to provide a Learn-at-Home schedule from 12-5 p.m. each weekday. These programs are appropriate for students in grades 6-12.

