PARENT MESSAGE

WLWV Student Services |Partnering With Parents for All Students

Parent Resources

This is a year that requires partnering between parents and educators in deeper and more effective ways than ever. Here are a few resources we could love to share.

<u>CRP: Learning at</u> <u>Home</u>

One of our important partners in providing services to students and families is Columbia Regional Program (CRP). They have gathered resources to help parents navigate supporting children in this unusual time of Comprehensive Distance Learning. Please check out these terrific resources

<u>All Born (in): On-</u> <u>line Learning</u> <u>Supports</u>

NWDSA/All Born (in) are great partners for WLWV, and their focus is on empowering parents and districts to partner more effectively for students. Check out the link above for their curated list of On-line





Comprehensive Distance Learning

With a shift in the school calendar, 2 days of closing because of the impact of nearby wildfires, and lots of new curriculum tools, all in the midst of a pandemic, there has been an incredible lift in getting this year started. We deeply appreciate the grace you have shown and the ways that you are supporting your children in accessing their learning. As students begin to settle into new routines and ways of learning, we celebrate some positive learning moments: that win of being able to log onto zoom correctly, that moment when the technology works flawlessly, the joy when a student sees a familiar face in their small break out groups. We are aware that this is a work in progress. We will continue to work to meet the needs of each student's IEP or 504 as outlined, though implementation may look different. If you have particular concerns about your child's services, please reach out to your child's case manager for problem-solving conversation or to schedule a formal IEP team meeting.



Leading Forward



Special Delivery: School Lunch

Our district started delivering meals to 60 unique locations across West Linn-Wilsonville in addition to school locations. Meals are delivered by bus and are available between 11 a.m. -1:15 p.m. Monday-Friday. Buses will be parked at their location for the entire time window, so please stop by and pick up breakfast and lunch! <u>Please view the online</u> <u>map for meal distribution</u> <u>locations.</u>

We visited one of those locations last week and saw such joy on students faces, getting their to go lunches, chatting with the bus drivers. It is a wonderful touch point back to our days in schools, which are hopefully not too far in the future!

Parent Collaboration Group

If you are interested in partnering with District Leaders to improve our SPED services, celebrate our successes, bring new ideas forward, review data... Then join our Parent Collaboration Group! Here are the 2020-21 Dates at 5 pm: Nov. 2, Feb. 1, April 12

Limited In-Person Instruction

We recognize that this unprecedented pandemic has had a significant impact on all of our families, students, staff and community. We also recognize that the impact has been felt in a variety of ways by each student and family. We have been going slow to go fast when considering ODE's guidance around <u>Limited In Person Instruction (LII)</u>. We know that in-person instruction can be a powerful tool for some students. LII is NOT a substitute for Comprehensive Distance Learning, and is not a special education function. We have, and will continue to, grapple with how to keep robust educational experiences at the forefront of our planning while balancing the health and safety of our students, staff, and families during this global pandemic.

Given these values, we are going to lean into LII one step at a time. Step 1 will begin with some in-person evaluations (for special education services, ELD supports, etc.) We want this be successful for staff and students, and have no virus outbreaks. In our second step we will begin short focused instructional opportunities for individual students. The first priority for Step 2 will be those students who are unable to interface with the computer because of their learning needs.

After we have had success with these initial LII priorities, we hope to be able to bring more students whose progress indicates a significant need for LII. It will be hard to make these decisions as we want ALL students in school. And we want ALL students and staff to be safe. We will have a central LII Committee to keep us focused on the priorities and time above.

We will need to continue to partner with staff and families to ensure that our Step Up plan holds our core values at the center. We acknowledge that this LII plan is, well, limited. It does not get all students back on campus who would benefit from inperson instruction, and we want to acknowledge the challenge this will pose for some families. But if we all work together on making this safe and successful, we will get to the Hybrid model (where are all students are on campus) much sooner.

We invite you to attend a meeting for more information, Q & A

Parent Informational Zoom on Limited In-person Instruction: **Tuesday, October 7, 5:00-6:00** Passcode: 544385