

Volume 1, Issue 6 — February 19, 2021 **WVA Secondary Sound-Byte**



REMINDER: All issues of the WVA Secondary Sound-Byte are located on the WVA webpage. You will find helpful information within the previous issues as well.

Course Scheduling for School Year 2021-2022

The scheduling request process for the 2021-2022 school year is beginning for all high school and middle school students regardless of whether you are attending WVA or the in-person instructional model.

Although details for how the next school year will operate have yet to be determined, high school teams are asking students to make course requests by utilizing the full course catalog (http://tiny.cc/WCSHSAPF). Students and families should generate requests in anticipation of attending high school in-person for the entire schedule. More information about the high school course request process will be shared with students and families through your high school's Schoology site.

Incoming high school freshmen and families will be able to meet their high school team, learn more about their schedule and ask questions at a virtual Future Night event at all high schools on March 3. More detailed information about each evening, including a link to access the virtual event, will be shared by the end of February.

Middle School

Middle school course requests for the 2021-2022 school year will be submitted in March. School counselors will be sharing information about scheduling options and the course request process through Schoology. Rising 6thgrade students will receive more information about the transition to middle school in mid-March as well.

If you have any questions about the scheduling process for the next school year, please do not hesitate to reach out to your student's school counselor.

Apex Orientation Video and Information

Below are links to help you navigate Apex.

Click here for a self-guided orientation (Google slides)

Click here for a PDF of the self-guided orientation

Click here for a video-guided orientation (approximately 35 minutes)



Academic Integrity Reminder

When working online, students sometimes research or "Google" answers to questions. As a reminder, any copying and pasting of answers is considered academic dishonesty. Students should write answers in their own words to show that they understand the material/content and should also site sources as necessary. Academic dishonesty may result in the student being directed to redo the work or possibly receiving a zero grade for the assignment.

WVA Students Stay Virtual

The projected return to school on March 8 does not apply to students in the WVA. Students currently enrolled in the WVA will stay in the WVA for the remainder of the school year.



REMINDER: WVA Teacher Office Hours

This is a reminder that WVA teachers hold regular office hours Monday thru Friday. This is a time when students may contact their teachers for assistance with their coursework. We urge students to take advantage of this opportunity to connect with their teachers. The office hours can be found in the WVA link on the Westerville City Schools website or click on the school below to access teacher office hours.

Westerville Central High School

Westerville South High School

Westerville North High School

Blendon Middle School

Genoa Middle School

Heritage Middle School

Walnut Springs Middle School







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As a reminder, continue to monitor the academic progress of your student in Apex.

February 19 - MS & HS Only Comp Day (No School)

March 3 - MS Parent-Teacher Conference Date

March 3 - SAT for Juniors

March 12 - End of 3nd Grading Period

March 14 - Daylight Savings Time—Change Clocks 1 hour ahead

March 29 - April 5 - Spring Break

Schoology Tips and Tricks:

Did You know?

There are multiple ways to turn in assignments on Schoology depending on the assignment type!



Using Google Drive

Using Your phone or uploading from your computer

We also have <u>a website</u> set up for troubleshooting common problems with Schoology and changing settings to fit your needs.

15th Annual Lego Competition For students in grades K-8

Middle school students can participate in the upcoming 15th Annual Virtual Lego Competition. All proceeds benefit the Westerville North Academic Boosters. CLICK HERE for more information and registration form. Registration is due April 10, 2021. For participants wishing feedback on interim builds, they must register/pay by March 20, 2021.



