

WHITEFORD AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Superintendent of Schools



Superintendent Family Bulletin
January 9, 2022

GREETING

After returning from Winter break, I hope that your child(ren) and you are settling back into a regular routine. We are asking families to continue to complete the [At Home Wellness Check](#) prior to sending your child to school each day. It is vital that you keep your child home if they are ill. If your child tests positive for COVID-19 or is considered a home close contact, please notify the appropriate attendance hotline: 734-856-1443 (Elementary Press 4, MS/HS Press 5). A school representative will contact you regarding isolation or quarantine guidance as well as how to obtain or access missed school assignments.

We will continue to monitor staffing numbers to ensure we can adequately maintain appropriate staffing levels in classrooms, buses, and other key departments. This will be a day-to-day analysis to ensure we are adequately staffed. At some point, we may have to pause in-person learning and transition to remote learning for a short period of time if staff and/or student illness becomes an issue. Unfortunately, these issues may occur quickly, so we are asking families to begin considering contingency plans for childcare. Again, WASD does not plan to move to remote learning unless we have no other option.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Our last Strategic Plan was developed in 2017, so it is time again to consider the future focus of the Whiteford Agricultural School District. School districts today are challenged to do more than ever before with scarce resources so planning for the future is more important than ever. We have partnered with the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) to help facilitate the development of our new Strategic Plan. MASB's Data-Based Strategic Planning Process will address three key questions for our district:

1. Where is the District now?
2. Where is the District going?
3. How will the District get there?

Data-Based Strategic Planning establishes priorities, focuses energy and resources, strengthens operations and ensures all stakeholders are working toward the achievement of common goals for the District. There will be more information shared in the coming weeks about how you can be involved in the process. Here is our Strategic Planning Timeline:

1. Stakeholder Surveys - Mid-January through Early-February
2. Stakeholder In-Person Listening Sessions - Thursday, February 24, 2022
3. Retreat - Saturday, March 5, 2022
4. Implementation Workshop - Tuesday, March 15, 2022

STRATEGIC PLANNING STAKEHOLDER SURVEY

On behalf of the Board of Education, thank you for sharing your perspective on several topics critical to the development of the District's next strategic plan. The survey is being administered by the MASB Leadership Development team on behalf of the District and takes about ten minutes to complete.

Anonymous individual responses like yours will be combined with those from other stakeholders to provide important community input to the Board of Education and the strategic planning team as it seeks to identify the vision and the means by which to accomplish that vision. Consolidated results will be reported publicly. Please note responses that contain the names of individuals and/or foul language will be deleted. ALL responses are sent directly to our MASB

Facilitator, Scott Morrell, and not the district Board of Education, Superintendent, or any school employee. Please share your honest feedback: [Whiteford Agricultural Schools 2022 Strategic Plan](#)

JANUARY BOARD MEETING

The next Board of Education meeting is January 10, 2022. The Organizational Meeting will begin at 6:15pm followed by the Regular Meeting. Both meetings will take place in the MS/HS Media Center.

COVID-19 DASHBOARD AND GRAPHS

We are working on updating our website with the most relevant and accurate information regarding COVID. From the main page, you can access the COVID tab, and you will be able to find information related to COVID. We provide the [COVID-19 DASHBOARD](#) and [COVID-19 DATA GRAPHS](#) to show school and Monroe County data.

SCHOOL DELAYS / CLOSINGS

School closing or delay announcements will be sent via the Infinite Campus Messenger systems and announced on the following television stations: Channel 11 (CBS) and Channel 13 (ABC). Announcements should occur no later than 7am. Parents and students are asked NOT to call the school or school officials. When school is delayed due to fog/snow/ice or other emergency conditions, it will be delayed for a minimum of two (2) hours.

BREAKFAST/LUNCH MENUS

<https://whiteford.nutrislice.com/menu>

SCHOOL CALENDAR

[2021-2022 School Calendar](#)

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THIS WEEK

January 10	Board of Education Meeting 6:15pm MS/HS Media Center
January 11	JV/Varsity Boys' Basketball vs Sand Creek 5:30pm HS Gymnasium
January 11	JV/Varsity Girls' Basketball at Sand Creek 5:30pm
January 12	Half Day Early Release MS/HS 11am, Elementary 11:10am
January 12	Teacher Professional Development 12-3pm

UPCOMING

January 17	No School Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 18	Whiteford Parent Association (WPA) Meeting 8am Elementary Cafeteria
January 19	District Safety Drill
January 20	Half Day Early Release MS/HS 11am, Elementary 11:10am
January 21	Half Day Early Release MS/HS 11am, Elementary 11:10am
January 21	End of 2nd Marking Period
January 26	Report Cards Sent Home (Elementary)
February 1	Whiteford Recreation Club Meeting 7pm HS Media Center
February 4	Winter Homecoming
February 5	Miss Whiteford Homecoming Dance 7-9:30pm HS Gymnasium
February 15	Whiteford Parent Association (WPA) Meeting 8am Elementary Cafeteria
February 22	Parent-Teacher Conferences 4-7pm
February 22	American Red Cross Blood Drive 2-7pm Elementary Cafeteria

We are better together - We are Whiteford!



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