



WASHINGTON

Community High School District 308

September 18, 2020

Re: Weekly Update – Important Information

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please see the following information we have included in the weekly update. Each attachment contains information that is both important and informative, so please take a moment to read about each topic.

[COVID-19 Quarantine Protocols](#) – The district uses a list of protocols when assessing each situation that involves a potential exposure to COVID-19 or a confirmed case. Please review the attached protocols to become familiar with how you, the district, or the local health department may approach situations.

[Self-Isolation and Quarantine Update](#) – This information will be shared each week and represents the numbers as of Thursday afternoon. The numbers are a snapshot in time and are not cumulative. The information attached in this communication represents numbers as of September 17, 2020.

[September Board Brief](#) – Attached is the board brief from the September Board of Education Meeting.

REMINDERS

Picture Days – School pictures for freshmen, sophomores, and juniors will be taken during PE and health classes on Tuesday, September 22 and Wednesday, September 23. Anyone not in a PE or health class can go to the MPR during their homeroom or study hall. Distance learners can stop by the school on both days between 8-11 or 12-3. If a remote learner wants to come after school hours, Mr. Burk will stay until 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23. The order form is available at www.wacohi.net > Current School information section on the home page.

Flu Season – The Illinois Department of Public health states, “The best way to prevent flu is by getting vaccinated each year. Everyone 6 months of age and older should get a flu vaccine every season. Flu vaccine is provided at many local health departments, private health care providers, and pharmacies across Illinois. It is recommended you contact your health care provider about what form of flu vaccine you should receive.”

Consider each COVID-19 symptom – Any one symptom on the list of COVID-19 symptoms should be taken seriously. A fever is not often present in positive cases for this age group. In fact, the most common symptom we are currently observing with students is gastrointestinal issues. Possible COVID-19 symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, fatigue, muscle and body aches, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea.

Please continue to be vigilant in assessing your student’s health as we are entering allergy, cold, and flu season. If your student has any signs of an illness, please keep them home until you have determined the cause of their symptoms. The best way to protect each other is to be cautious and not attend school if symptoms are present.

Sincerely,

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