

Westfield High School 2020-2021 School Year Frequently Asked Questions

1. What time does the school day begin? What time does the day end?

The school day begins at 7:23 and ends at 1:56. We have seven periods per day at Westfield High School. Students must log into their A Period class by 7:23 or sooner.

2. Where can I find the daily schedule for the school?

Our schedule can be found on the Westfield High School Re-Entry Plan. This plan and other valuable information is available on the district website. Please use the link below to access the district's Return to School Page. It will list many of our procedures and protocols for our school's re-entry.

<http://www.schoolsofwestfield.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=952695&pageId=48548329>

We will be using the Hybrid Bell Schedule to begin the school year.

3. When will my child have lunch?

WHS students will use the hybrid schedule to begin the year and all students will have lunch from 11:44-12:07 while we are still fully remote.

When students are "in person" their lunch will be determined by which subject they have during E Period. Times will be determined later. Students will be notified of their lunch time by their E Period teacher. Students who remain remote should have the same lunch period throughout the year.

4. What will the school day look like during remote learning?

Each class will meet daily at their scheduled times. Teachers will use a combination of synchronous (live) instruction as well as asynchronous instruction (independent learning time, group work, project completion, etc) for each period. All students will be required to set up a Google Classroom account and attend classes in that account at the scheduled time daily.

Students will gain access to their classes by clicking onto the link sent to them by their teachers through their Westfield Public School email account.

5. What should I do if my child is sick and does not feel well?

Attendance is taken daily. If your child is sick during remote learning and cannot attend their classes, please call the main office as you normally would. Also, please submit any doctor's notes that you may have to your child's assistant principal.

When we are "in person" if your child is sick, they should stay home. If they have COVID symptoms they should quarantine as directed by the Westfield Health Department. If this occurs, please call to immediately notify the school. If they begin to feel sick while in school, they should notify their teacher who will contact the Nurse's Office. If they are exhibiting symptoms of COVID 19, they will be escorted

to our COVID 19 Room immediately and isolated from other students. *Additional information and procedures can be found on the Westfield High School Re-entry Plan.

6. Who do I contact if there is a problem with my child’s schedule?

Please contact their school counselor. We will make every effort to remedy their schedule the best of our ability. Please note that some courses may not be offered due to low enrollment in that course.

7. Who is my child’s school counselor?

*Some exceptions may apply

	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Additional Info
Ms. Stopa m.stopa@schoolsofwestfield.org		A-Connolly	A-Charland	A-Clauson	
Ms. Asselin m.asselin@schoolsofwestfield.org		Corbett - Grabiec	Christianthopoulos - Goyette	R. Clauson - Francis	Pathways
Mr. Coe r.coe@schoolsofwestfield.org		Grabowski - Malpica	Gall - Leclair	Franco - Loper	Rise
Ms. Puleo k.puleo@schoolsofwestfield.org		Marrero - Ridley	Lemelin - Renaudette	Lopez - Rodriguez	
Ms. Healy p.healy@schoolsofwestfield.org		Riopel - Z	Rivera - Z	Rogalski - Z	
Ms. Keefe casey.keefe@schoolsofwestfield.org	All Grade 9 Students				
Ms. Bean t.bean@schoolsofwestfield.org					Gateway Early College Dual Enrollment

8. Who is my child's assistant principal?

Christal Murphy - Assistant Principal for 11th grade, 9th grade Team 91

- c.murphy@schoolsofwestfield.org

Daniel Paquette - Assistant Principal for 10th, 9th grade Team 92

- danielpaquette@schoolsofwestfield.org

Julie Schortmann - Assistant Principal for Pathways

- j.schortmann@schoolsofwestfield.org

Kevin Zdroykowski - Assistant Principal for 12th grade, 9th grade Team 93

- kevin.zdroykowski@schoolsofwestfield.org

9. Who are the school adjustment counselors and what do they do?

The school adjustment counselors support the social emotional needs of our students, families, and staff. They meet with students regularly by appointment and help students access outside services as needed. They can be contacted by email if you would like to refer your child.

Main Campus

Mrs. Fiordalice- C.Fiordalice@schoolsofwestfield.org

Mr. Fiore- J.Fiore@schoolsofwestfield.org

Mrs. Salzer- C.Salzer@schoolsofwestfield.org

Pathways Campus

Mrs. Griffin- Nicole.Griffin@schoolsofwestfield.org

10. Is my child on a team?

Westfield High School has teams established for the four core (Math, Science, ELA, and History) courses of all grade nine students. Students have the same four core teachers in most cases as grade nine only but do not necessarily move as a group. This helps us to support students during their transition to high school and ensure that they are being successful by allowing the teachers to regularly discuss student work and learning strategies. Grades 10-12 are not teamed.

11. When will my child return to school "in person" if we selected hybrid learning?

Hybrid Model In-Person Learning Timeline

***Please note that these dates are subject to change**

PHASE 1a: September 14, 2020 (B week) WTA shop students to enter school (week A = Freshmen & Seniors) (week B = Sophomore & Juniors)

PHASE 1b: September 28, 2020 start date

- Special Education Programs (Autism Spectrum Disorder, Essential Life Skills, Developmental Learning Program)
- Preschool These groups will return to school (in person) every day.

PHASE 2: October 13, 2020 start date

- Special Education Programs (RISE, LLD, Quest, and Transition Program)
- Students in Foster Care and considered Homeless under McKinney Vento
- English Language Learners (Level 1 and Level 2) These groups will return to school (in person) every day.
- Grades: Kindergarten, 1, 5, 7, 9 These students will return to school (in person) **every other week** (A & B week).

PHASE 3: October 26, 2020 start date

- All students in grades 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12 Will return to school (in person) **every other week** (A & B week)

PHASE 4: TBD (implemented when a vaccine or treatment is developed) All students return to (in-person) learning.

Remote Start Timeline

Students in Grades 1-12: **September 14, 2020**

Students in Preschool & Kindergarten: **September 21, 2020**

12. Are dual enrollment and Westfield Promise classes still taking place?

Yes. We will continue to offer Dual enrollment and Westfield Promise classes.

13. How will attendance be taken?

Attendance will be taken by teachers in PowerSchool each class period. Students need to be present for most of the class or they will be marked absent.

14. Who do I contact if I need a device?

Devices can be obtained through the main office between the hours of 7:30 am and 2:00 pm. You do not need an appointment to pick up a device currently. Devices will be distributed at the front door of our main entrance. Parents/guardians will be asked to fill out a device usage form to receive a device.

15. What do I do if we do not have internet access?

Hotspots with free Wi-Fi are currently available at the Westfield Athenaeum, Bullens Field, and Park Square (Center of Westfield). The district is working to obtain hotspots for those who do not have internet access and will distribute them as soon as they are available.

16. Are Fall Athletics being offered?

Yes, Soccer, Field Hockey, Cross Country, Golf, Gymnastics, and Volleyball are offered. Please visit the [Athletics Website for more information](#).

17. What day do Fall Athletics begin?

The first day of practices/tryouts this year will be **Friday September 18th**. The first few practices will be listed on the Athletics Website.

18. What do I need to be eligible for Athletics?

Three items need to be completed before a student can participate.

- Registration on Family ID
- Have an updated Physical on File with the Athletics Office
- Ensure you have taken a baseline concussion test through the Athletics Office

19. Is the Career Center Open?

Absolutely! The Career Center is working to offer all the services that students expect during normal school sessions. It is staffed by Jonah Badiab. Mr. Badiab can be reached at Jonah.Badiab@schoolsofwestfield.org or by phone at 413-262-4562.

20. What services does the Career Center provide?

- The Career Center offers a host of services including but not limited to:

Information and application assistance to College/Trade Schools and Scholarship Assistance

- Ongoing Career Counseling and Education Exploration
- Job Match, Job Development, Resume/Cover Letter Preparation, Interviewing Preparation
Work Permit Assistance
- Career Assessment and Training Exploration
- NAVIANCE Assistance
- Internship Development and Referrals to/Obtaining Internship
- Work Based Learning
- Driver's License Assistance
- Military/ASVAB Immunization Records Assist
- and more!

For the most up to date information, please have your student join our Google classroom using the code **e7vjqe2**

21. Is there an attendance policy in place?

Yes. All items in the Westfield High School Handbook will be in place. According to the attendance policy, students can lose credit if they exceed the maximum number of allowable days. Students can be absent a minimum of 8 days for a one semester course and 16 days for a full year course.

22. What do I do if my child needs textbooks?

We are making every effort to utilize electronic resources and books as possible. If paperbacks or textbooks are needed, we will be setting up dates to be determined for pickup.

23. Who do I contact if I have additional questions?

Please contact Principal Jendrysik at C.Jendrysik@schoolsofwestfield.org