



White River Valley School District Return-to-School Plan 2022-23

ALL PLANS DESCRIBED BELOW ARE IN EFFECT FOR WRV ELEMENTARY, WRV MIDDLE, and WRV HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR. NOTE: THESE PLANS ARE THE STARTING POINT. SHOULD THE SITUATION DICTATE A TIGHTENING OF THE PLANS, WRV SCHOOLS AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CHANGE THE PLANS WITH PATRON NOTIFICATION IMPLEMENTED.

POINT ONE:

Masks are welcome and recommended for those who have not been vaccinated, but not required.

POINT TWO:

Classrooms will be set up to maintain a distance of 3 feet apart when possible. In classrooms and areas where this is not possible, students and staff are welcome to wear a mask.

POINT THREE:

Assigned seats will be required on buses, in classrooms, and in cafeterias to assure proper and efficient contact tracing.

POINT FOUR:

If any symptoms appear at home, student/staff should NOT come to school/work;
If symptoms develop during the school day, student/staff will be sent home immediately.

POINT FIVE:

Attendance at extra and co-curricular events is subject to any official WRV Board of Education Policy for students.

(NOTE: If the local COVID health situation changes significantly changes to the plan will be communicated to the public.)

POINT SIX:

WRVSD does offer an online platform option. It is available with an approved application at all schools. For more information, please contact the building principals:

WRV HIGH SCHOOL: Mr. Doug Lewis dlewis@wrv.k12.in.us

WRV MIDDLE SCHOOL: Mr. Jason Walton jwalton@wrv.k12.in.us

WRV ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: Mrs. Rachel Guthrie rguthrie@wrv.k12.in.us

WRV High School operates the Wolverine Academy option with Mrs. Claire Records. It has been available for the last five years for students with need flexibility.

POINT SEVEN:

Field Trips are designed to meet curricular standards. Those types of trips will be considered this year on an individual basis based on state standards and the current situation of the trip's location.

Parents/guardians will have the option to opt their student out of the trip through providing a written notice. On-campus alternative programming will be provided for any student choosing the opt out option.

POINT EIGHT:

Wellness checks should continue to be conducted at home prior to the start of the school day. If a student is exhibiting any of the following symptoms, he/she should stay home from school: fever, chills, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, unexplained cough, headache, body aches, new loss of taste/smell.

****If you have a question about sending your child to school, please contact the school nurse.**

POINT NINE:

Consistent heightened cleaning procedures instituted WILL BE continued at each school and on buses.

POINT TEN::

Extra-Curricular Activities Participation

Students who return to school from quarantine on day 11 (whether vaccinated or unvaccinated) may participate in practice and in athletic contests as long as the individual is masked up during practices AND games. Students who do not attend school are not eligible for participation in any category. All questions regarding athletic participation should be referred to the school principal.

POINT ELEVEN:

The 2022-23 school year will begin as "mask optional" in regards to Covid-19. Should the situation change per executive order, students/parents will be notified and the district will return to policy enacted during the 2021-22 school year, which is stated below:

(Effective Wednesday, October 20, 2021) White River Valley School District will enact a mask mandate for all students and staff across the district. Face masks, face shields, or gaiters may be worn in all situations where social distancing cannot be achieved.

Teachers and staff will allow masks breaks during the day and at times classmates may be socially distanced outside of the school (recess/PE class). Staff should be careful to maintain a 6 feet distance between students when allowing a break.

OPT OUT WAIVER—A parent/guardian may opt out of the mask mandate by completing a MASKING WAIVER FORM and returning it to the student's building principal. Without a completed waiver form, the student will be expected to be masked-up. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action.

QUARANTINES UNDER this MANDATE:

- *A student who wears a mask in the proper way will not have to be quarantined as a close contact unless he or she is symptomatic;**
- *A student who opts out and does not wear a mask will be held to the same quarantining standards currently in place by the Governor's Executive Order.**

POINT TWELVE:

A student with a positive test result shall be quarantined for five days. He/she may return after five days with a mask until day 10.

POINT THIRTEEN:

Please communicate with your child's school nurse and principal regarding any concerns you might have regarding your student's health.

We will continue to monitor this situation. This is still a fluid situation. By continuing to preach strong personal hygiene and health procedures, we look forward to staying out in front of the situation, so that each student and staff member stays safe and has a successful 2022-23 school year.