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Dear Parents and Guardians,

January 13, 2021

At Monday evening's School Board meeting, the majority of our School Board members voted to move away from the Blended/Hybrid Model of Instruction in favor of a full 4-day return option for all students effective February 16, 2021, in order to provide more in-person instruction.

As directed by our School Board, our Administrative team will move forward by providing students 2 options:

1. In-person instruction 4 days per week M,T, Th, and F. All students would remain online for Wednesday instruction.
2. Learn from Home completely online

Please note that the Blended/Hybrid model will not be an option.

As we prepare for the 4-day return, all buildings will continue to follow the protocols and procedures outlined in the district's [Health and Safety Plan](#).

- Families will screen students each day prior to coming to school. ([Attachment](#))
- In all learning spaces, students will be distanced to the maximum extent possible.
- All students will be required to continue to comply with the most recent mask order.
- Students will continue to maintain 6ft distancing in all eating areas in all buildings and hand washing and hygiene will continue to be maintained.

Our district will also continue to comply with the school closure guidance provided by the PA Department of Education and the PA Department of Health as outlined in the attached letter previously sent to all families. [Attachment](#)

Please continue to remain proactive in developing contingency plans in the event that a building needs to move to fully remote instruction based on school closure guidance or staffing issues.

Additional details for each building's 4-day return plan are provided in the links below.

[Gockley](#)
[Steckel](#)
[Zephyr](#)
[Middle School](#)
[High School](#)

While we understand that choosing the Model of Instruction may be a difficult decision for some families, it is our intent to provide you with as much information as possible, so each family can make an informed decision.

In closing, please know that our administration and staff will work diligently to follow our School Board's direction to provide the safest learning environment possible for our students. We thank all for remaining flexible and supportive as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sincerely,
WCSD Administration.

Directions for selecting your students Mode of Instruction

Please complete the form below **ONLY** if you would like to switch your child's current mode of learning. Otherwise, students that attend school completely online (Learn at Home or Virtual Learning Program) will remain enrolled in their current program, and students that currently receive face-to-face instruction through the blended/hybrid model will be transitioned to the 4-day in-person learning model. If you need assistance completing the form, please contact your student's principal.

Please complete this form by January 20 at 5 p.m. Any further changes to your learning designation will require administrative approval.