



WHITEHALL-COPLAY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Dear Whitehall-Coplay School District Families,

I am very excited to share with you our plans for the 2021/2022 School Year. The 2020/2021 School Year was difficult and uncertain, but our goal for next year is to get back to normal and provide a top-notch educational experience. The District Administration is continuing to plan for the 2021/2022 school year. That being said, this next school year is the first year of a long-term plan that will address both the short-term needs of responding to the COVID-19 Pandemic, but also the long-term needs of the District and Whitehall-Coplay Community.

Please review the following information and click the links to access each plan:

2021/2022 School Year Website: www.whitehallcoplay.org/learningmodels

- This page within our website provides information about the instructional models for the 2021/2022 school year.
- Elementary students will be able to select between the five-day, in-person traditional instructional model or the Whitehall-Coplay Virtual Learning Program (VLP). If interested in the VLP, parents will need to submit a request for enrollment no later than July 9, 2021. Information about the programs and enrollment process are listed in the web page under “Elementary Learning Models.”
- Secondary students will be able to select between the five-day, in-person traditional instructional model, the VLP, or the Learn at Home (LAH) models. If interested in the VLP or LAH, parents will need to submit a request for enrollment no later than July 9, 2021. Information about the programs and enrollment process are listed in the web page under “Secondary Learning Models.”
- In order for students to enroll in the VLP or LAH, they must have demonstrated academic success and consistent attendance in the past.
- Parents may only request to change instructional models at the beginning of a Marking Period.

[WCSD Summer 2021 Health and Safety Plan](#)

- Last night, the Whitehall-Coplay Board of Education approved this plan for summer academic, arts, and athletics programs. Please review the stipulations included in the plan.
- As mandates, requirements, and recommendations related to the COVID-19 Pandemic change, the District will adjust the plan and inform the community of those changes.
- Please note that, beginning in July, School Board Meetings and Committee Meetings will return to in-person attendance. Meetings will occur in the Large Group Instruction room at Whitehall High School.

[2021/2022 School Year WCSD Pandemic Recovery Plan](#)

- This is a comprehensive Pandemic Recovery Plan. This plan includes targeted efforts focused on summer learning, the instructional model for the 2021/2022 school year, ongoing academic support for students, mental health and social emotional support for students and staff, professional development for all staff, and facilities upgrades/updates.
- The Pandemic Recovery Plan is a long-term plan that aims to provide proper programming and support to all students based on each of their needs.

If you have any questions regarding any of this information, please email questions@whitehallcoplay.org.

Moving forward, you can expect the following further information and communication:

- If needed, a Frequently Asked Questions page will be added to the [2021/2022 School Year](#) webpage.
- During the week of July 12, 2021, families will be notified about the proposed Health and Safety Plan for the 2021/2022 school year.
- By July 16, 2021, each family will be notified of the instructional model that their child or children are enrolled in for the 2021/2022 school year.
- During the week of August 9, 2021, the District will send families the approved Health and Safety Plan for the 2021/2022 school year.
- By August 15, 2021, schools will send families copies of proposed student schedules for the start of the 2021/2022 school year.

I wish all a happy and healthy summer. I look forward to a great 2021/2022 school year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. J. Steckel, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Dr. Robert J. Steckel, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools