

NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Events:

- ✦ NO SCHOOL - Monday, September 7th
- ✦ PTO Meeting - Monday, September 14th @ 7:00 PM
- ✦ School Board Meeting - Monday, September 21st @ 6:00 PM

Upcoming Activities:

FOOTBALL:

- ✦ September 8th vs. Columbus Lakeview - 4:30 PM
- ✦ September 15th @ Nebraska City - 4:00 PM

VOLLEYBALL:

- ✦ September 8th @ DC West - 4:00 PM
- ✦ September 14th @ Ralston - 4:00 PM

CROSS COUNTRY:

- ✦ September 3rd @ Schuyler Invite - 6:15 PM
- ✦ September 10th - Wahoo Invite - 4:00 PM

GO WARRIORS!!



WELCOME BACK!!

Wahoo Middle School is back in session, and we are excited to have students back. Wahoo Public Schools urges all parents to make sure they stay informed. Please read and listen to all messages that are sent home electronically, by mail, and phone. Also, try to follow Wahoo Public Schools on Facebook and Twitter for fast updates and other important information. The COVID-19 Pandemic affects everyone, including our school system. With data changing day to day it's important you stay informed. Listed below on page 2 are important school COVID guidelines and adjustments. Also, please visit our website for more information and feel free to contact the Middle School Office at (402) 443-3101





We're ready to STEP IT UP!!

Welcome to another AWESOME school year at Wahoo Middle School. With the many challenges facing our families, students, and staff this school year, we are going to encourage our students to "Step It Up." Our mission will not only be to motivate students to improve academic performance, but also take on more responsibility for making positive and healthy decisions as it relates to their everyday lives. We are fortunate to live in a strong and caring community, and together we will not only face our challenges, we will overcome them.

Everyone at Wahoo Middle School is looking forward to getting back into the classroom as we work with your child and family. I wish you all good health, and we look forward to a challenging, but productive school year.

Sincerely,

Marc Kaminski, Wahoo Middle School Principal

(402) 443-3101 ext. 2002, email:

IMPORTANT SCHOOL COVID-19 INFORMATION

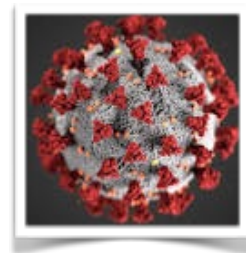
SCHOOL DAY GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19

1. Students are expected to wear masks when reasonable and appropriate. Students are encouraged to bring their own masks. The school will provide masks to students if needed.
2. Social distancing (6 feet) will be practiced consistently throughout the school day.
3. Commons areas in the school building will be closed. Students will need to be in their assigned areas at all times during the school day.
4. Hand washing and/or hand sanitizer will be highly encouraged.

PARENT PRE-SCREENING OF STUDENTS (to be done at home by parents)

- Has the child been in close contact, without a mask, of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19?
- Does the child currently have a fever of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or greater?
- Does the child currently exhibit any of the following symptoms:

- Frequent cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Unusually sore throat
- Unexplained sore chest
- Loss of taste and/or smell
- Diarrhea or nausea



****In assessing the other symptoms, these would be symptoms uncharacteristic of the student. Especially during the fall allergy season, a runny nose, sore throat, or cough may be commonplace for the student.**

If any student, staff member, or visitor is displaying COVID-19 symptoms or has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14 days, they may be excluded. Parents/guardians will be notified, and the student will need to be picked up as soon as possible. Parents/guardians should contact their healthcare provider for further direction.

RETURN FROM EXCLUSION

If untested for COVID-19, a student may return when:

1. They have not had a fever for at least 72 hours, without use of medication,
2. Other symptoms (if present) have improved, OR
3. They have written approval for returning to school by their healthcare provider. ***If tested positive for COVID-19, they may return when they have written approval by a healthcare provider or the local health department.*

NEW Robotics Club Added to Wahoo High & Middle School

Wahoo High School and Middle School recently added a new Robotics Club activity this school year. In partnership with Calvary, Wahoo Public School will provide students the opportunity to be apart of a club that will compete in VEX EDR, which focuses just on Robotics. By participating in this club, students will learn about various STEM activities while competing with other students and having fun.

CLUB MISSION STATEMENT: *To provide a positive learning environment for our youth to learn and become excited about science, technology, engineering and math utilizing the (STEM) approach.*





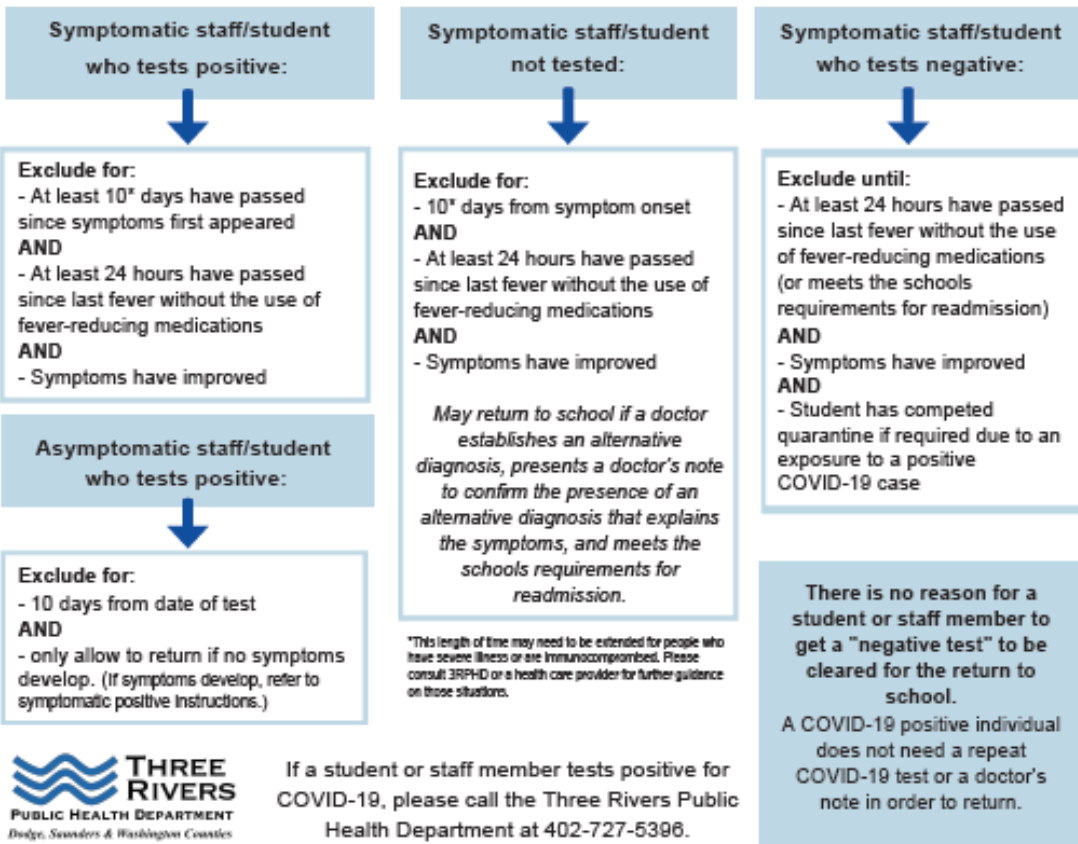
Public Health Recommendations for Screening, Exclusion, and Re-Admittance of Ill Students and Staff for COVID-19 in Schools

The following symptom screening criteria for ill students and staff is based on the most current research. Because people with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness, the following criteria have been developed to assist schools in identifying presumptive positive COVID-19 cases.

Students with two or more of the following: fever (measured or subjective), chills, rigors, myalgia, headache, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea
OR
At least one of the following: new cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new loss of taste/smell

Students and staff who screen positive should be immediately isolated in the designated area and sent home as soon as possible. Require the symptomatic person to wear a cloth or surgical mask while waiting, if tolerable.

Re-Admittance to School



If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, please call the Three Rivers Public Health Department at 402-727-5396.

****MS OFFICE NEWS FLASH******▶ Reminders from the office:**

- *If your child is leaving early or coming in late please remind them to sign in or out in the office.*
- *If after school plans change, please call before 3 p.m. to let us know.*
- *Any questions? Never hesitate to call, if I don't know the answer, I will find someone who does!
(402)443-3101*

▶ Reminders from Nurse Trutna:

- *If your child is feeling ill we request that they come to the Nurse's office before contacting a parent. We ask for your help by encouraging them to go to the Nurse's office before you come to pick them up.*
- *If your child has a medical condition we need new Dr.'s orders every year.*
- *If at any time during the year your child is diagnosed with a communicable disease, please let Nurse Trutna know.*

▶ Attendance at School Events

- *Middle School Students are encouraged to show school pride by attending High School activities. Students are expected to be seated and watching throughout the game/performance. Students must stay in the fenced area at all times and will only be allowed to leave the stands for the restroom or concessions, etc. Thank you for your help and support!*
- WPS COVID-19 SPECTATOR INFORMATION

Please try and read email messages sent home from the school.... always important to keep updated.

HELPFUL INFORMATION & LINKS

www.wahooschools.org

Middle School Daily Announcements: <https://goo.gl/6aSJ63>

Lunch Calendar: <https://goo.gl/DqnEYB>

IXL Link: <https://www.ixl.com/signin/wahoops>

Twitter: Wahoo Public Schools @wahoopublic

More Wahoo Middle School information: <https://goo.gl/gyYdap>

Wahoo Public Schools “Activities Calendar”: <https://goo.gl/ZwCaju>

Power School: <https://wahoo.powerschool.com/public/>