



Wyoming Valley West School District
2021 – 2022
Back-to-School Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)



1. When is the first day of school for students?

Answer: Tuesday, August 31, 2021. It is a full day of school for all students.

2. When are kindergarten, sixth (6th) and ninth (9th) grade orientation dates, times and transportation?

Answer: Click this link for complete information on orientation.

<https://www.wvwsd.org/cms/lib/PA02209258/Centricity/ModuleInstance/285/orientation%20schedule%20-%20fall%202021.pdf>

3. We are new to the district. How can I register my child?

Answer: All initial registration is done online prior to an appointment with the District Registrar. Click the following link to the Registration page on the District website.

<https://www.wvwsd.org/domain/28>.

4. Where can I find bus schedules for the 2021 – 2022 school year?

Answer: Click this link for complete information on bus schedules.

<https://www.wvwsd.org/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=500&dataid=4062&FileName=bus%20schedules%202021-2022.pdf>

***Note – Please check before the first day of school for any updates/changes.**

5. If my child is walking or I am self-transporting him/her, what time may the student arrive at school?

Answer: Admittance to the buildings is as follows: High School – 7:20 AM; Middle School – 8:10 AM; Elementary buildings – 8:40 AM. Student arrival time should be planned so that students may directly enter the building on arrival.

6. My child takes a van; when will I be notified of times?

Answer: The van driver will contact you one or two days before the start of school.

7. Has the dress code changed from last year?

Answer: No. The district will continue to operate on a “provisional” dress code basis as we did last year. Jeans/Denim are acceptable with no holes. Shirts do not have to have a collar; however, they must be appropriate.

8. Are masks required?

Answer: Yes, masks are required in school for students in grades K-8, and highly recommended for students in grades 9-12. ALL students must wear a mask on district buses and vans. The mask mandate is subject to change based on the local transmission rates.

9. When do I get my child's schedule?

Answer: Student schedules will be released later this week on Skyward. Parents and students will be notified when they are available.

10. Does my child (grade 4-12) bring his/her Chromebook to school?

Answer: Yes. Teachers will also inform students the first week of school as to usage in their classes.

11. My child is entering grade 3 this year and does not have a Chromebook. Will one be provided?

Answer: YES. Chromebooks will be distributed to incoming 3rd grade students and all new registrations on Thursday, September 2 and Tuesday, September 7. More information will be posted on Wednesday, August 25 regarding pickup times and procedures.

12. Is insurance available for the Chromebook so I won't be charged if damaged?

Answer: YES. Insurance will be available to purchase for the Chromebooks. Information will be posted to the district website on Wednesday, August 25 on how to enroll.

13. How do I get a new password if I forgot the old one and how do I update the emergency contact information?

Answer: Parents are asked to login to the parent portal and verify their child's information and emergency contacts for the 2021 – 2022 school year. Instructions on how to reset your password if you forgot, or on how to obtain an account if you do not have one, are posted on our website and linked below.

[Parent Online Hub / Technology Help Documents and How To \(wwwsd.org\)](http://wwwsd.org)

14. Do children in grades K-2 get Chromebooks?

Answer: No, students in grades K-2 will not be issued WVW devices for home use; primary grade students will have access to computers in their classrooms and utilize them daily as needed, but they will be stored in school.

15. What significant events take place in September?

Answer:

- Monday, September 6 is Labor Day; school will not be in session.
- "Meet the Teacher Night" is scheduled from 6 to 8 PM on each of these evenings: Monday, September 13, for the High School; Tuesday, September 14, for the Middle School; Thursday, September 16, for the Elementary Schools.
- Friday, September 24 is an Act 80 Day with an early dismissal for all students (10:45 AM for High School; 11:20 AM for Middle School; noon for Elementary Schools).

16. Will field trips be permitted this school year?

Answer: Until further notice, field trips will NOT be permitted.

17. I'm interested in Cyber School. Does WVW offer cyber services?

Answer: YES. WVW Cyber Education is available to students at every level. Click the following link for more information and a video. <https://www.wvwsd.org/Page/298>

18. Does being on WVW Cyber School offer any additional benefits?

Answer: YES. WVW Cyber Education is taught by certified Wyoming Valley West teachers. Students participating on WVW Cyber can attend the prom, participate in field trips and athletics, graduate on stage with their peers, and get a WVW diploma. Arrangements can also be made for struggling students to come into school and meet with their teachers for remediation. Finally, if/when your child decides to return to school, he/she will return in a seamless transition since WVW teachers are teaching the district curriculum. Mr. Russ Singer, rsinger@wvwsd.org and Ms. Dana Mascioli, dmascioli@wvwsd.org are the WVW Cyber School coordinators. They can be reached at (570) 288-6551, extension 10305.

19. Will the district offer another COVID – 19 vaccine clinic for anyone 12 years of age or older?

Answer: YES! The Wyoming Valley West School District will host a vaccine clinic again on Saturday, August 28 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am in the Middle School gymnasium on Chester St., Kingston. This is a walk-in clinic, so no reservation is required. If you would like additional information, please contact our Pandemic Coordinator, Mr. Anthony Diction, at (570) 288-6551, extension 10500 or by email at adiction@wvwsd.org

20. Where can I find the Pennsylvania immunization requirements for my child?

Answer: Please access the following link for Pennsylvania Immunization requirements: <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/programs/immunizations/Pages/School.aspx>