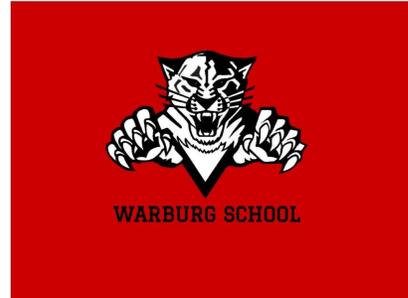


September 10, 2020

Dear Warburg Families,

Welcome back! We have had three days of successful staggered entry with students. The students have been great about following division and AHS health and safety protocols. We are working to keep students safe and in cohorts which are basically our homeroom classes.



We have *about 25 students from WS* opt to take their schooling via the Distance Education (DE) model. Given that these students are not working in our school building, staffing funding for those students has been moved over to the DE platform. Mr. Dykstra has been reassigned to the administrative team at the DE school along with two other Assistant Principals. In addition, half of Mrs. White's time has been allocated to the DE school, too. We are able to offer support to our students from Mrs. Sibley, Mrs. C. Swartz and Mrs. Parkyn.

So, because we have had to accommodate these personnel changes, we have had to redo our teacher assignments. A snapshot of our school:

<u>Homeroom</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u># Students</u>
ECS	Mrs. Gidosh	21
Grade 1	Mrs. Brewster	14
Grade 2 ³	Mrs. Slusarczyk	24
Grade 4	Mrs. Babcook	19
Grade 5	Mrs. Baker	14 *
Grade 6	Mrs. Woodliffe	15 *Gr 5 & 6 cohorted for some classes
Grade 7	Mrs. Hodges	18* (Mrs. Hodges is also our counsellor)
Grade 8	Mr. Drysdale	13* Gr 7 & 8 cohorted for some classes
Grade 9	Mr. Head	18
Grade 10	Miss Denschikoff	22 [^]
Grade 11	Mr. Arnold	17 [^] Sr highs cohorted for elective courses
Grade 12	Mr. Skinner	23 [^]
Learning Support	Mrs. White	

All students have had an opportunity to enter and exit via their assigned doors. Now that we have had a trial run and because of where homerooms are located, we are making a small adjustment. Grade 10 students will now enter at the door nearest the main doors and the grade 9 students will enter at the HS Gym doors.

You're aware that our grade 7-12 students are *permitted to leave the school campus* during the lunch hours. If you would rather your child not leave the school grounds please send an

email to their homeroom teachers. We will encourage these students to get outside but stay within our school boundaries. Those students that leave the building must do their best to continue to maintain social distance and act in an appropriate manner in our community. We also don't want the students in and out during the lunch hour so unless the weather is terrible if they chose to be outside for lunch, they will stay outside for lunch.

Another reminder to parents and students that are driving to arrive at the school by 8:15. We would like these students to enter the building just before our bus students arrive. All doors are open at 8:15 and will remain open until our warning bell at 8:26 AM. If your child arrives after 8:26, please have them come to the main doors and we will let them in via those doors. We are all adjusting to the new schedule and it will take some time to get back into the routine being in school.

We were required to *adjust our instructional time* so we have revised our timetable/bell schedule. Here is a picture of that new schedule. As always, for this and other information, check out our school website, ws.blackgold.ca. Remember that we have early dismissal days on the first Wednesday of the month starting in October. We begin at the same time but students are dismissed at 2:21 PM.

WARBURG SCHOOL 2020-2021					
Monday-Friday		Jr/Sr High		Elementary	
Period	Time in	Out	Period	Time in	Out
Warning Bell	8:26		Warning Bell	8:26	
Period 1	8:28	9:17	Period 1	8:28	9:17
Period 2	9:17	9:59	Period 2	9:17	9:59
5 Min Break	9:59	10:04	Recess	9:59	10:12
Period 3	10:04	10:46	Period 3	10:12	10:46
Period 4	10:46	11:30	Period 4	10:46	11:30
LUNCH	11:30	12:09	LUNCH	11:30	12:09
Warning Bell	12:09	12:13	Warning Bell	12:09	12:13
Period 5	12:13	12:55	Period 5	12:13	12:55
Period 6	12:55	1:37	Period 6	12:55	1:37
5 Min Break	1:37	1:42	Recess	1:37	1:50
Period 7	1:42	2:24	Period 7	1:50	2:24
Period 8	2:24	3:06	Period 8	2:24	3:06
Period 8	2:24	3:10	Grade 10, 11, 12 only		

We have had a number of phone calls from parents inquiring about students sick at home. This is an excerpt from a letter to parents from Dr. Deena Hinshaw dated September 3, 2020.

Students/children must not enter the school if they have symptoms of COVID19.

Please screen your child daily for any symptoms with the list your school has provided. If your child is sick, please keep them home and arrange for them to be tested for COVID-19 through AHS. Appointments can be booked online at www.ahs.ca/covid.

If your child has a pre-existing health condition please inform the office.

It has been a great start so far!! It is sooooo nice to have students in the building. I appreciate your **patience and flexibility** with all that we are doing. The kids have been great and very compliant. The staff are thrilled to be back with students in their classes and are working hard to teach with all of the additional supervision and health protocols in place. If we all take our personal responsibility seriously, we will maintain everyone's safety.

As always, feel free to send me an email or call me at the school if you have any questions or concerns.

Regards,

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