

Cheetah Family News 2020-2021 School Year

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Dear Parents.

As we continue to navigate through this pandemic, I would like to clarify our attendance policy as it relates to students who have been quarantined and will be learning from home. While this is not ideal, it has allowed us to continue to provide instruction and content to students until they return.

- Quarantined students (as approved by the nurse and principal) who <u>participate in the</u> instructional activities as provided by the teacher, will be marked as "Present" in Skyward.
- Teachers will communicate with Heather Curtis, attendance secretary, regarding the student work that was completed each day they were absent. If a student is quarantined at home and does not complete daily assignments, those dates will be marked as an <u>unexcused</u> absence.
- Students do not need to participate live every day to be marked present.
- Students may participate in asynchronous learning at their own pace as directed by the teacher to be marked present.
- Student participation may include:
 - o Virtual (zoom) instruction
 - o Google Classroom assignments
 - o Submission of an online assignment
 - o Submission of hard copy work
 - o Responses/work submitted through email
 - o Other responses as determined by the teacher or principal
- Quarantining at home does not excuse a student from school participation and Tennessee School Attendance requirements.
- Students who are quarantined but too ill to participate in instruction, will be marked as an Excused Absence. Make-up work will be determined by individual teachers.

If you have any questions regarding attendance, please feel free to contact me at carolgl@wcs.edu or 615-472-4300.

Have a wonderful fall weekend.

Dr. Garrett



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Quarantined Teaching Plan for CRES

What is quarantine teaching?

Quarantine teaching is instructing students who are quarantined at home due to a positive COVID-19 test or being named as a close contact. Quarantined teaching occurs when the school continues to remain open while a classroom, grade or student is quarantined at home.

What is the goal of quarantine teaching?

We want students who are at home and feeling well enough to participate in <u>learning</u> so they do not fall behind.

How will I know if my child needs to guarantine?

The school or the Williamson County Health Department will contact families.

How will guarantine affect my child's attendance?

Attendance will be taken based on work completion and class participation as outlined by the teacher. Your child's teacher will communicate expectations for assignments and virtual participation. The absence, while quarantined, will be coded using a "distance learning" code (z) in Skyward and will not have a negative impact on attendance.

What should I expect?

Students will log into Zoom for bursts of direct instruction with their class. They will also log into their Google Classroom to access videos, presentations, and activities that might be used to complete work asynchronously. Students will also have the apportunity to check in with the teacher daily so they can answer any questions that arise during asynchronous time.

How will grades be taken?

Students who are well will be held responsible for completing classwork and assessments while in quarantine. Teachers will explain how assignments will be submitted.

What if my child gets sick?

If your child develops symptoms, he or she is not required to attend remotely. Please report the illness to your child's teacher or to Heather Curtis as usual. Sick students will be marked as an excused absence while under a directive to quarantine.

EMPORTANT DATES

September 28th- PTO Spirit Night at Andy's
September 29th-Kindergarten Parent
Chromebook Training at 6 via Zoom
October 7th- End of Quarter 1
October 8-9th- Fall Break
October 12th- No School for Students
October 14th- Virtual Book Fair closes
October 16th- Report Cards visible in Skyward
October 23rd- Picture Retakes and WCS Online
Picture Day at CRES
October 26th- PTO Spirit Night at Tito's

November 3rd- No School for Students

Attention Car Riders:

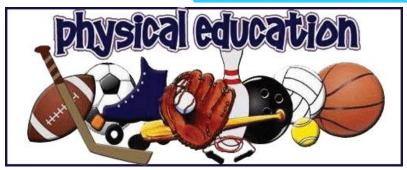
On middle and high school late start mornings, please note that we will not have a crossing guard on duty at CRES.





Kindergarten Parents:

Kindergarten teachers are hosting a Kindergarten Parent Chromebook training via Zoom on 9/29 at 6PM. Contact your child's teacher for more information.



To stimulate conversation with your child, here are some questions to ask about what is happening in Physical Education.

- Question #1 What is your favorite center that you do in class?
 - Answer: If they said the ninja warrior obstacle course, this is a ten-piece foam agility apparatus. The goal is to leap/jump from one object to the next without getting on the mat. The PTO was so gracious to help purchase this item with money contributed from last year's Grey Ghost funds.
- Question #2 What is your favorite skill that you do in class?
 - Answer: We have been working on shooting a basketball, dribbling with a soccer ball, kicking a ball with force, and passing a soccer ball to a partner.
- Question #3 How many toe tokens have you received this year?
 - Answer: First through fifth graders have been logging their laps both at recess and gym class. For every five miles, a toe token is rewarded. The first one includes a small chain so that the tokens can be collected. Some students have numerous tokens from years past.





Artsonia rosters have been uploaded and you should be receiving an email that we are back up and running. For new parents, Artsonia is a digital portfolio of your child's artwork through the years. You could purchase gifts for family and friends with your student's work on it. The art program gets a percentage of that money for supplies and materials. However, it is not necessary to make a purchase for your child to have a digital portfolio. This portfolio will be available to them for life! You have the option to give their personal code to friends and relatives so they can join your child's "fan club". When a new artwork is uploaded you and the fan club will be notified. Fan club members can leave encouraging notes for their favorite artist.

If you want to upload artwork from home, just enter our school code:

Or enter code number: CCKP-XCSB



For the project select Free Draw. It will come to me first for approval and should be available soon after.

Classes have been learning about:

- <u>Kindergarten:</u> the elements of art, line and color.
- <u>1st Grade</u>: created patterned folk art pictures in the style of contemporary artist Heather Galler.
- 2nd Grade: creating Cardinals inspired by American artist John James Audobon whose life-sized beautiful bird paintings inspired a conservation movement.
- 3rd <u>Grade</u>: Exploring the color wheel in respect to cool and warm colors. They have also been learning zentangles, prescribed drawing patterns, to embellish their Fall Trees.
- 4th Grade: have been creating color value or light to dark charts using one art tool.
 We are utilizing these drawings as background for our Edward Hopper landscape collages.
- 5^{th} Grade: we have been working on finishing our 4^{th} grade weavings from last year. We are also about to study optical illusions, or trick of the eye, and how to create one in art.

We are primarily using supplies the students have already in class. If your student would like markers or colored pencils, that is fine but not required. For those with colored pencils a handheld sharpener is very handy too.

Please let me know if you have any concerns or questions. Thank you!

Miss B

Learning Commons Corner

Dear Families,

Book fair is always a wonderful and fun part of the year! Luckily, we have found a way to still have it and to stay safe during this challenging time! It 100% virtual and hands free. We earn money with every book purchase and kids love reading and earning coins for answering comprehension questions. At the end of the fair we will open up an online donation platform to POWER UP our fundraising and ask for family and friend support.

Right now we have a tight race for the first-place prize a classroom popcorn and movie party!! Help your child's class take the lead and sign up today!

Getting started with SpoonRead is easy

Parents

- Create an account at parentclub.spoonread.net ***(Do this on the computer or actual website instead of the app).
- 2. Onboard your child to their school and teacher
- 3. Purchase a book from the SpoonRead bookstore
- 4. Help your reader download SpoonRead onto his or her device and log in to the app

Readers

- 1. Download SpoonRead onto your device
- 2. Log in with your secure code
- 3. READ!

Watch this <u>video</u> for further assistance.

Thank you for your support!

- Mrs. Walker (amber.walker@wcs.edu)

PTO Update

We hope many of you will join us at Andy's on Monday for our first PTO Spirit Night of the year! A flyer will come home with your child on Monday. Please bring the flyer or show the information below to receive \$1 for CRES!

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