



November 25, 2020

Hello Westside Families ~

There is NO SCHOOL tomorrow and Friday (November 26 & 27). Please take a moment to read our notes for this week which include our December Newsletter. Thank you!

**COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

[Christmas at the Pond](#) Sunday, November 29th, Memorial Park,  
Kimberly  
Green Bay Botanical [Garden Garden of Lights](#)

Wishing you a Happy Thanksgiving and a great long weekend!  
As always, please give our office a call if you have any questions. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Anne Appleton  
Westside Elementary  
920-739-3578

# WESTSIDE EAGLES UPDATE



December 2020

12/23-NOON DISMISSAL

12/24-1/3 NO SCHOOL-Winter Break

1/4—School Resumes

1/15—NOON DISMISSAL

1/15—End of 2nd Quarter

2/12—NO SCHOOL

2/26—2:00 DISMISSAL

3/12-NOON DISMISSAL

3/22-End of 3rd Quarter

3/29-4/2-SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL

4/23—2:00 DISMISSAL

5/14—NOON DISMISSAL

5/28—NOON DISMISSAL

5/31—NO SCHOOL-Memorial Day

6/3—LAST DAY of SCHOOL



## A Message from our Principal



Greetings from Westside Elementary!

December is upon us! This year is clipping by quickly and I am positive that we will blink and winter break will upon us. Thank you for your support in our crazy parent/teacher conference format this year! Conferences are short, but very necessary to build a trusting relationship between you and your child's teacher. I hope you were able to build that connection through your screen. Parent/teacher conferences are truly just the beginning. Please continue to reach out to your child's teacher when you have questions or concerns. We care about your child(ren) and want to support them the best we can and we know you know them best!

As we head into our Thanksgiving break we are seeing a spike in Covid 19 cases in our area. However, Westside's quarantine list is at its lowest point since the first 2 weeks of school. That is truly a celebration! As we enter our holiday season all of us have to make decisions on whether to travel and/or gather with our extended families. I have siblings in Omaha, Minneapolis and Wausau. We are choosing not to gather in order to keep each other healthy. I love my family and wish I could see them, but I REALLY don't want to get sick, spread anything, or miss work. I can't tell any of you how to live your lives, but I will take this time to remind our families that we have been able to limit the spread of Covid through our cohort model. The unfortunate consequence of that is if one child tests positive it sends some of their classmates home as a close contact. I share that information with you because your family's choice to travel or not impacts other families and other students' education. Thank you for all your support in keeping Westside open in these unprecedented times!

Warm Regards,

Jonathan Peterson

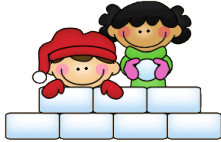


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**KINDNESS MATTERS...** We have had reports of cars parked across our neighbors' driveways before and after school each day. We ask that you do not park across the driveways near school, even for a short time. Thank you!

The Kimberly Area School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, sex, (including transgender status, change of sex or gender identity), or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability ("Protected Classes") in any of its student programs and activities.

## We Need You



We want our schools to remain open. To do that, we need your support. How can you help?

- ✓ Keep your child home if they are ill.
- ✓ Keep your child home if they have been tested for COVID until results are known.
- ✓ AVOID LARGE GATHERINGS.

### WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

Winter is right around the corner. If weather conditions dictate that there will be no school or a delayed start, a decision to keep the schools closed is usually made by 6:00 a.m. Parents with students in school receive a direct call, text and/or email from our auto-call system through Infinite Campus since that is the fastest way to communicate with thousands of parents at one time.

As a reminder: If you have a new phone number or email address, please update your information in the Infinite Campus parent portal or contact your school's secretary to update the portal. Also, weather alerts go out using the "General Notification" make sure you have the "General" box checked when verifying your Infinite Campus notifications.

Announcements are also sent to local T.V. and radio stations, please tune to local stations such as these rather than call the school directly: WAPL-105.7FM, WIXX-101.1FM, WHBY-103.5FM, WKFX-104.9FM, WEMI-91.9 FM, WTAQ-97.5FM/1360AM, WWWX-96.9FM and WGEE-93.5FM; and WBAY-TV2, WFRV-TV5, WGBA-TV26, and WLUK-FOX11. If other school events, such as concerts or sporting events are also cancelled because of weather, they are typically communicated through these stations as well.

The District's website and Facebook page are not our primary way to communicate school closures, so we ask parents to listen to the auto-call messages or tune in to the radio and T.V. stations listed for the timeliest updates.





## SCHOOL FEES AND LUNCH PAYMENTS



Just a reminder that you are able to pay school fees and add money to your lunch account online through Infinite Campus. You are now able to pay fees and add money to your lunch account at anytime during the year without being charged the \$1.75 by using the **e-check method**. You will still be charged \$1.75 if you choose to use a credit card to recoup some of the credit card fees that the district is charged. Please remember when you use an e-check it is similar to using a paper check and if this check would be rejected by your bank due to non-sufficient funds, you will be charged a \$25 NSF fee.



## REMINDERS

**YEARBOOKS:** Many of you have already paid for a 2020-2021 Westside Elementary Yearbook! If you haven't had a chance to order and pay for a yearbook, please go online to your Infinite Campus portal and make the \$11.00 payment, OR, send the \$11.00 payment to the office in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and "yearbook". If you are unsure if you ordered a yearbook, please check your account on Infinite Campus, OR, give us a call. We will not receive the yearbooks until the end of the school year. Also, yearbooks are optional!



**MEDICATION AT SCHOOL (including Cough Drops):** ALL medication MUST come to school in the original container and be accompanied by the required Medication Form (found on our website or in the office). This includes BOTH prescription medication and over-the-counter medications such as, Cough Drops, Tylenol, Cough Syrup, etc. A physician AND parent signature are required for prescription medication. A parent signature is required for over-the-counter meds. If you have any questions regarding medications, please contact our office—920-739-3578.







**WINTER BREAK:** Please mark your calendars for our upcoming break—we will be off of school from noon on **December 23 — January 3 — classes will resume on Monday, January 4.** Happy Holidays from our Westside Staff!



# DECEMBER 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 PURPLE Day!	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 NEON Day!	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 NOON DISMISSAL Red/Green and Ugly Sweater Day!	24 NO SCHOOL 	25 NO SCHOOL Merry Christmas! 	26
27	28 NO SCHOOL	29 NO SCHOOL	30 NO SCHOOL	31 NO SCHOOL 	January 1 Happy New Year! 	2
3	4 CLASSES RESUME!	5	6	7	8	9



# OUR STUDENTS NEED YOU





## SEEKING TEMPORARY STAFF

substitute teachers • support staff • entry level

Kimberly Area School District (KASD) is seeking support from our community. Help us keep students in the classroom and our schools open. Find which opportunity is best for you!



— *Explore the possibilities* —

POSITION	 EXPERIENCE LEVEL	 PAY	 FLEXIBILITY/ SEASONAL	 IMMEDIATE OPENINGS
Substitute Teacher	Associates or Bachelor's	\$115/PER DAY	✓	✓
Classroom Facilitator	High School Diploma	\$90/PER DAY	✓	✓
Substitute Paraprofessional	High School Diploma	\$9.50/PER HOUR	✓	✓

Do you enjoy working with children while maintaining a flexible work schedule? Are you home for the holidays and looking for temporary work? Have you considered becoming a classroom facilitator, substitute paraprofessional or even a substitute teacher? Learn more at [www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/careers](http://www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/careers)

# It's time to order your Westside Elementary



Many of you have already paid for a 2020-21 Westside Elementary Yearbook! If you haven't had a chance to order and pay for a yearbook for your child, please go online to your Infinite Campus portal and make the \$11.00 payment, OR, complete the form below and return it to school with a payment – cash or check. If you are unsure if you've paid for a yearbook, please check your account in Infinite Campus OR, give us a call!

We will not receive the yearbooks until the end of the school year! Also, yearbooks are optional!

Order your yearbook online OR complete and return the form below to  
reserve your copy!

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## Yearbook Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Books Ordered: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$11.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay online through IC or return this form with cash or check (payable to  
Westside Elementary. Thank you!

Hello Westside Families,

This time of year we are usually preparing for the Guinness World Records Speed Stacking "Stack Up" event in which we have a gym full of stacking and building. This year our event will look quite different, but we still do plan to participate.

This year the record will involve sending in photos of students stacking, and the photos will be used to try to set the **Guinness World Record Title for the World's Largest Online Photo Album of Speed Stacks!**

I will be taking photos of our Westside students participating in Speed Stacking lessons November 2nd-13th. Then, I will submit the photos on November 18th.

If your child is learning remotely, your family can still participate. You can register, and then you will receive instructions to upload your own photos from home. You can register at the same link as I registered for Westside: <https://stackup.speedstacks.com/>.

(You can start uploading on November 18, you only have 2 weeks after that to send in photos.)

So far, they have registered participants from 27 countries and 46 states! Keep track of our progress at this link! <https://stackup.speedstacks.com/stats/>

**SPEED STACKING EQUIPMENT IS STILL FOR SALE:** Great for practicing at Home.

I will once again offer Westside families the ability to order Speed Stacking equipment for use at your home. I usually have it for sale at school, but this year it will be available through a direct order.

- Families will be able to order from **November 2nd to November 30th** by visiting [speedstacks.com/go-direct/](https://speedstacks.com/go-direct/) and simply choosing Westside Elementary from the list.
- Or you can use the direct link which leads to Westside's Online Orders: [speedstacks.com/go-direct/72577-10346871](https://speedstacks.com/go-direct/72577-10346871)

**Ordering equipment is totally optional.** I am always looking for fun ways to get the students off their computers/phones and challenge their brains in other ways. Speed stacking not only challenges students' brains, it also helps with hand-eye coordination and reading. It is one of my favorite activities.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at Westside. The easiest way to reach me is to email me at: [aphillips@kimberly.k12.wi.us](mailto:aphillips@kimberly.k12.wi.us).

Thank you and Stay Healthy!

Mrs. Phillips 😊





# GROUP ORDER

## Ships To Your Home

**Teachers** love sport stacking because it motivates kids to be more active and fit.

**Parents** love sport stacking because it's affordable and benefits their child's body, brain and spirit!

**Participate in this Group Order** through your school and buy Speed Stacks.

### + Plus it benefits your school

Your participation helps raise funds or equipment for your school.

#### Pro Series Sets \$25

- 12 - Pro Series Cups
- 1 - Carrying Stem
- Online Training Videos

- Take your stacking to the next level
- Special high impact material
- No center that eliminates air resistance and reduces down stacking time
- Pro Series cups are endorsed by World Champion Stackers



color options dependent on availability

#### StackMat \$25

- 1 - GX Timer
- 1 - GX Mat
- 1 - Gear Bag



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#### Standard Sets \$20

- 12 - Standard Cups
- 1 - Carrying Stem
- Online Training Videos



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1. Visit [SpeedStacks.com/go-direct](http://SpeedStacks.com/go-direct) and select your school.
2. Choose and purchase your equipment. (Your participation helps raise funds or equipment for your school.)
3. We ship your items directly to your home.

# WHEN TO STAY HOME FROM SCHOOL

## **Keep your child home when:**

- ✓ They are sick (please see [student illness guide](#) and when to get tested)
- ✓ They are diagnosed with COVID-19
- ✓ They are being tested for COVID-19
- ✓ They are a [close contact](#) of someone with COVID-19



## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

### **Do I keep my child home if someone in my household is being tested for COVID-19?**

**A:** Send your child to school if your child is symptom free.

**OR**

**A:** Keep your child home if your child has COVID-like symptoms.

### **Do I keep my child home from school if someone in my household is a close contact of a confirmed case of COVID-19?**

**A:** Send your child to school if the household member who is the close contact is symptom free.

**OR**

**A:** Keep your child home if the household member who is the close contact has COVID-like symptoms. (The household member who is the close contact is considered a probable case of COVID if he/she is showing symptoms while awaiting test results and everyone in your household at that point is considered a close contact and will need to quarantine.)

**For additional frequently asked questions please visit,  
[www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/updates/frequently-asked-questions](http://www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/updates/frequently-asked-questions)**

# STUDENT ILLNESS GUIDE AND WHEN TO GET TESTED

People with the below symptoms or combination of symptoms may have COVID-19. The table below outlines WI-DHS recommendations of who should receive COVID-19 testing in Wisconsin. If you have these symptoms, **stay home, call your school office and get tested.**

## Box A (any one symptom present)

- ☐ Cough (above baseline)   ☐ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing   ☐ New loss of taste or smell

OR

## Box B (any two symptoms present)

- ☐ Congestion or runny nose (above baseline)   ☐ Chills or fever (100.4)   ☐ Nausea or vomiting  
☐ Diarrhea   ☐ Fatigue   ☐ Muscle or body aches   ☐ Sore throat (above baseline)

*\*If you choose not to get tested, you must remain home until at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset AND at least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without use of medicine AND other symptoms have improved.*

OR

## Box C

- ☐ I am a close contact of someone with COVID-19

*WI-DHS recommends getting tested if you are a close contact. If you test negative during your quarantine period, you will still need to complete your full 14-day quarantine before it is safe to go back to school or be around others*

For all other illnesses, follow typical school illness protocol by staying home, calling the school office and once symptoms have improved and your child is fever free for 24 hours they may return.

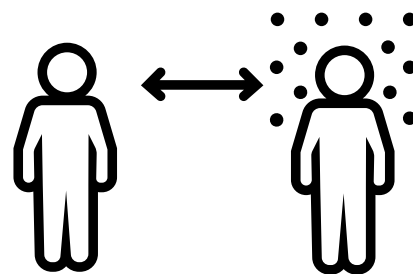
***For information on awaiting test results and quarantining please go to,  
[www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/updates/covid-19-protocols](http://www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/updates/covid-19-protocols).***

# CLOSE CONTACT GUIDE

## What does it mean to be a close contact of someone with COVID-19?

You are a “close contact” if any of the following situations happened while you spent time with the person with COVID-19, even if they didn’t have symptoms:

- ✓ Had direct physical contact with the person (for example, a hug, kiss, or handshake)
- ✓ Were within 6 feet of the person for more than 15 minutes
- ✓ Had contact with the person’s respiratory secretions (for example, coughed or sneezed on; contact with dirty tissue; shared a drinking glass, food, towels, or other personal items)
- ✓ Live with the person or stayed overnight for at least one night in a household with the person



### EXAMPLE

Your child was playing outside with a neighborhood friend when he drank from the friend’s water bottle without thinking. The following day, the friend developed symptoms and subsequently tested positive for COVID-19. **Your child is a close contact.**

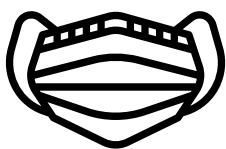
### EXAMPLE

I went out to eat with a friend yesterday and we were within 6 feet of each other for 30 minutes. The following day my friend tested positive for COVID-19. I am now a close contact. What about my child? **Your child is NOT a close contact** as your child did not spend time with your friend.

If you had contact with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 you may be at risk of infection. Follow these recommendations for 14 days since your last close contact with someone with COVID-19. It is important to **self-quarantine and self-monitor** to protect yourself, your family, and your community.



## As a close contact, what does it mean to quarantine?



- Stay home
- Avoid travel
- Go out only if absolutely necessary
- Postpone all non-essential medical appointments until your quarantine is over
- Do not use public transportation, ride-sharing, or taxis
- Wear a face cover when you are around others

See Next Steps: close contacts of someone with COVID-19



# WINTER IS ALMOST HERE.

Are your Infinite Campus  
settings up-to-date?



Kimberly Area  
School District

## General Notification: Weather Alerts, School Closings, School or District Messages



Contact Information	Private	Delivery Device	Emergency	Attendance	Behavior Messenger	Staff	General	Food Service	Priority
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