



Weston Public Schools
Office of the Superintendent
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MEMORANDUM

To: WPS Families
Date: March 30, 2021
Subject: Attendance Spring 2021

As we enter the final few months of school with the majority of students in-person every day, I would ask your support regarding in-person attendance. The requests to go back and forth between in-person and remote have increased, and it is becoming more and more challenging to manage this at both the classroom and school level.

The purpose of this letter is to inform families that students need to stay remote for a minimum of 10 school days before changing back to in-person and vice versa. The 10 school days does not apply to excused absences or quarantined situations.

The following reasons are considered excused absences:

- Illness or injury of the student
- Death in the family or other emergency beyond the control of the student's family
- Serious illness of a member of the family which necessitates the absence of the student
- Medical appointment that cannot be scheduled outside of regular school hours
- College interview or visit (WHS only)
- Religious holiday

Students should not zoom into classes on an excused absence day. They may complete work asynchronously if they feel well enough to do so.

Parents should call the attendance line at each school and inform us as to the reason their students are not in school. Students should not zoom into classes.

Finally, I understand that there may be additional reasons that warrant a student being absent especially during the circumstances of this year. I ask that parents/guardians follow these guidelines and contact the building administrators for approval or with any questions.

Our goal is to support all of our students and families as well as our teachers. In order to achieve this goal, we need everyone's help. Thank you for your understanding.