WASHINGTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Dear Parents & Guardians,

The Washington County School District is currently in the planning stages of developing a Virtual School for the 2021-2022 school year. WACO Virtual School will have a limited number of seats available and has a strict set of entrance requirements. It will be available for students in grades 5-12. <u>The following criteria should be met to be considered for acceptance:</u>

- Consistent & stable internet access.
- 95% or greater attendance rate from 2020-21 school year (excused absences will not be calculated).
- Overall end of year cumulative average of 85 or above (ELA, Math, Science, & Social Studies) for the 2020- 21 school year.
- 2 academic teacher recommendations (school administration will obtain this input).
- Good behavior standing (school administration will review discipline history).
- Possibility of interview/meeting with student & parent/guardian at school administration team's request.

Additional Information:

- Virtual students will be allowed to participate in extra-curricular activities at their home school.
- Virtual school enrollment is a semester long commitment.
- The IEP team will determine if a student with disabilities qualifies for the WACO Virtual School.

Applying does not guarantee acceptance. A limited number of students will be accepted based on available seats. <u>The deadline for submission is Tuesday, June 1.</u> Families will be notified of acceptance no later than Thursday, June 17. This application should be completed with your student. <u>You will need to login with your</u> <u>student's WACO Schools account in order to access this application.</u>

The Washington County School District is hopeful that we will return to school next year at regular capacity for face to face instruction. WACO Virtual School is an option that we are developing for students and parents that thrived during remote learning this year. If you do not wish to participate in this learning format, you do not need to apply!

If you have additional questions or concerns, please email info@wacoschools.org.

Thanks, Meghan Nugent Public Relations Director Washington County Board of Education

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