# WESTON UNION

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Dec 23-Jan 1 NO SCHOOL - Winter Break

Jan. 4, 2021 Classes Resume

Jan. 15 NO SCHOOL

Jan. 21 Semester 1 ends

Jan. 22 NO SCHOOL

Feb. 3 Picture Day

Feb. 26 NO SCHOOL

Feb. 5 NO SCHOOL

Feb. 19 NO SCHOOL

Feb. 26 NO SCHOOL

March 5 NO SCHOOL

March 9 Picture Retake Day

March 19 NO SCHOOL

March 25 Quarter 3 ends

March 26-April 2 NO SCHOOL - Spring Break

April 5 Classes Resume

May 3 NO SCHOOL

May 31 NO SCHOOL-Memorial Day

# **Weston Office**

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## STUDENT DAY

8:20-8:50 am Drop Off/Buses arrive

845 am School Day begins

3:20-3:50 pm Student pick up begins

3:40 pm School Day ends

Newsletters will not be sent home with the students. <u>The Weston Union newsletters</u> <u>can be found on our website</u> (www.dce.k12.wi.us/westonunion) If you would like a paper copy, please contact the front office.

#### **EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE PLAN**

The winter season will be here soon! We need to be prepared for inclement weather and possible poor road conditions which may result in school closings, bus delays, or emergency early dismissals.

- 1. The decision to close schools or delay buses is made by central office administrative personnel.
- 2. When the emergency plan to close or delay opening of school occurs it will be announced over the local radio and TV stations, and will be available on the D.C. Everest School District and Community Services Hotline **715-355-4118**.

Please do not call school and ask if school is closing. Radio and TV stations are contacted immediately to get the word out to parents as soon as possible. The radio and TV stations will announce when D.C. Everest Schools are closing. Due to the typical volume of phone calls we receive on emergency days, we cannot guarantee that you will be able to get through to the office to tell us the plans for your child. It is difficult for students to telephone for instructions at these times.

If school must be closed during the school day, we would like to know what plans you have made for your child. Every primary residence received a copy of the Emergency Closure Plan Form the first week of school. If you have not returned this form to school please do so. If you need an additional form you may contact your teacher or the office for another. Please discuss the plan with your child. If we do not receive a form your student(s) will go home based on their normal school day arrangements.

"Weston Connect" will take students who are enrolled in their program on any emergency early dismissal or scheduled early release day.

#### **SNACK AND LUNCH GUIDELINES**

It is the policy of the D.C. Everest School District to provide a safe environment for all students, including students with a known anaphylactic allergy. Anaphylaxis means that the immune system overacts to a particular protein found in that food. Each reaction is unique and symptoms range from mild to life threatening with each exposure. Anaphylactic

reactions can occur if a person eats, touches, or inhales the protein of a substance they are allergic to. Ninety-nine percent of anaphylactic reactions are caused by the following allergens: peanuts, tree nuts, fish, shellfish, eggs, milk, wheat, soy. However, exposure to allergens such as latex, insect venom and medication may also trigger an anaphylactic reaction. Although the school district cannot guarantee an allergen free campus, the following measures will take place to minimize the risk of an exposure to an anaphylactic allergen:

- A reasonable effort will be made to not serve or purchase food products that contain nut ingredients for school operated programs.
  - Nut containing products will not be served for school operated meals in grades k-5.
- All students, grades k-12, may pack a cold lunch containing nut products. Those meals should be eaten in the cafeteria.
- Food items brought for treats should be commercially prepared with an intact ingredients label listing allergy information and should not contain peanuts or tree nuts. Products with labels indicating the food was prepared on shared equipment, or processed in the same plant will not be limited. (NOT in effect for 20-21 school year)
- The removal of nut containing ingredients and latex from the classroom environment in encouraged at all grade levels.

We appreciate your cooperation and assistance with these guidelines that continue to keep all students safe within the D.C. Everest Area School District.

#### **PARTY INVITATIONS**

Please do not bring or send invitations for parties to school with your child. This creates a situation where the feeling of others can become hurt. Please use the U.S. Postal Service for sending invitations. We also ask that families not have flowers or other special deliveries made to school. Balloons will not be allowed to be taken on the bus or to the classrooms. Thanks for your understanding in this matter!

#### BREAKFAST/LUNCH/SNACK MILK

All students will receive free breakfast and lunch due to a grant that the DC Everest School District has received for the entire 20-21 school year. If a student wishes to have a snack milk, their account will be charged \$.40 unless they qualify for free or reduced lunch. If you need an application for free and reduced lunch benefits (including snack milk), please contact the front office.

#### DIRECTORY DATA-RELEASE OF STUDENT INFORMATION

According to the law, public institutions must provide directory information to individuals that request this information. Therefore, the D.C. Everest District Board of Education has adopted a policy which enables individuals to secure directory information. This information includes the parents' names, child's name, address, grade, date of birth, birthplace, photograph and attendance report. If you do not want part or all of this information made available, please put this in writing to the attention of Mrs. Sarah Trimner.

#### WINTER WEATHER/CLOTHING

As the weather transitions into colder weather, please make sure your child comes to school prepared to go outside. They should have a jacket, hat, mittens for cold days. Once there is snow on the ground, all students should have snow pants and boots. Please make sure to label all clothing so lost items can be returned to the owner.

#### VIRTUAL INSTRUCTION ON INCLEMENT WEATHER DAYS

Given the unique circumstances of this year, we believe there is great value in providing our students with as many instructional minutes as we can. Therefore, this year we will provide students with remote/e-learning on days when in-person learning is not possible due to adverse weather conditions (usually known as "snow days").

On these days, students will have abbreviated schedules that allow them to receive quality instruction and enjoy some free time.

Below are guidelines and expectations for remote/e-learning on inclement weather school days.

Elementary School - All elementary students will begin their day at 9:00 a.m. with a remote, live morning meeting with their homeroom teacher. Attendance will be taken and learning expectations for the day will be shared at that time. K-2 students will dedicate 2-3 hours to online learning. Students may use independent work time, as needed, to complete their assigned coursework. Grade 3-5 students will dedicate 3-4 hours to online learning. Students may use independent work time, as needed, to complete their assigned coursework.