Dear Wahkiakum Families,

We miss you and are looking forward to engaging with students and families through remote learning! Although we are sad and disappointed that the WHS building is closed for the remainder of the school year, we know that keeping our students and community safe has to be a priority. Our goal as we begin this new journey is to support students in a variety of ways to ensure we meet their needs as they continue to learn and grow while at home.

This week, teachers will be finalizing their remote learning plans and contacting students and families through email, phone calls and Google Classroom. Students will be expected to engage in this learning and complete assignments through the end of the school year which is June 12th. In addition to the assignments teachers will be posting, we have created an online resource page located on our WHS Website. Teachers and support staff will be available everyday by email and on Zoom or the phone during their office hours. Some virtual lessons and study groups will occur, along with book and paper activities. Assignments, office hours and classroom meetings will be communicated through email and Skyward. Please encourage your student to develop a regular routine, check email multiple times a day, use his/her planner and reach out and seek help if needed.

Congratulations to the class of 2020! Although graduation may look a little different than in the past, we are still very excited to celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors. High school seniors that were on track to graduate before the school closure remain on track. All seniors will need to finish their current classes with passing grades, complete their portfolio and do their senior presentations. Mr. Niemeyer, Mrs. Freeman and Joyce Wilson along with student advisors are available to support students as they finish their requirements and prepare for their post-secondary plan.

If students left their Chromebooks, textbooks or other learning supplies at school or if they need a non-virtual learning option, please let teachers know and requested materials will be available for pick-up on Thursday and Friday of this week from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm outside the main entrance of the high school. We can also deliver if needed.

As with anything new, we will continue to make changes to our practices and adjust what we are doing to meet the needs of students. Their success is our priority, and the WHS staff will do all we can to support you and your family. We miss you and are excited to work together.

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We are here to help and support you!

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