

# **Waterford-Halfmoon Union Free School District**

125 Middletown Road, Waterford, New York 12188

# **WHUFSD Continuity of Education Plan**

Dear parents, guardians, and Waterford-Halfmoon community,

As a District we continue to follow all guidelines provided by the NYS Office of the Governor, the New York State Education Department, and the Saratoga Department of Health. Educational instruction will continue to be provided remotely. Below are the details for each building.

#### Waterford-Halfmoon Elementary School:

All elementary teachers and support service providers are delivering instruction using Google Classroom, Google Meets, and Classdojo as well as providing hard-copy packets as needed. This process will continue for the remainder of the school year. The second trimester report cards have been distributed as of March 23, 2020. Please note that new content is being introduced and it is essential for all students to remain engaged in the learning process. As previously noted, if your child or family has any trouble accessing our educational resources, please contact Mr. Siracuse, at 518-237-0800, Ext: 3509.

#### Waterford-Halfmoon Jr./Sr. High School:

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Marking period has been extended to Friday, April 17, 2020. Students will have the opportunity to use this additional time to make up any assignments going back to the beginning of the quarter, January 27, 2020. Any student with a failing grade will have the opportunity to submit work to achieve a passing grade. Our Pupil Personnel Services (PPS) team, guidance office, ELL staff, and administrators will work with all students and their families to create an action plan on how to raise the student's grades to passing.

Work beginning in the 4th quarter will focus on all key skills and concepts within the existing course content with a focus on meeting all requirements set forth by the New York State Learning Standards. This instruction will utilize Google Classroom and Google Meets as every student has their own Chromebook. If you do not have access to the internet or the appropriate hardware, please contact school principal, Mr. Christopher Scanlan at 518-237-0800; Ext: 3709. If your student is having computing issues with their Chromebook, please contact our IT Department directly, at 518-237-0800, or use this link: https://sites.google.com/whufsd.org/studenthelp/home

Below is listed the the 4th Quarter Grading and Marking Period information:

#### **Grading K-5**

3rd Trimester grading for grades K-5 will be based on the following criteria. We will focus on the four core subjects with NYS standards based emphasis.

## Grades of level 2, 3, and 4 will be given with numerical grade attached if needed

**Level 2/60**= Student has not participated in remote learning. Student has handed in no gradable assignments.

**Level 3/75**= The student has participated in some of the remote learning. Has handed in some materials, not always to the satisfaction of the standards.

**Level 4/95**= The student has participated on a daily basis. Work that has been submitted is to the satisfaction of identified standards.

Narratives will be given for all courses. These narratives will be standards based with the remark the student has met or has not yet met the standards for the trimester.

## **Grading Grade 6**

- Grade 6 Class Final Average Calculation Weighting
  - Trimester 1 & 2 40% each of final average
  - Trimester 3 20% of final average

## Third trimester grading scale to determine student grades

- 60% (No engagement or effort on the assignment)
- 75% (Limited engagement and effort)
- 85% (Some evidence of engagement and effort)
- 100% (Student put forth maximum effort)

Special Area Classes: Narratives will be given to describe participation, engagement and effort.

#### **Grading Policy Quarter 4 (Grades 7 - 12)**

- Grading for Quarter 4 assignments/standards (Teachers will use this scale to compile grades and average them for the quarter).
  - 60% (No engagement or effort on the assignment)
  - 75% (Limited engagement and effort)
  - 85% (Some evidence of engagement and effort)
  - 100% (Student put forth maximum effort)

## 7-12 Grading (continued)

- Class Final Average Calculation Weighting
  - Q1 and Q2 grades 30% each of final average
  - Q3 25% of final average
  - Q4 15% of final average

#### Additional Resources are listed below:

Students with Disabilities Direct support: Contact Jennifer Bull; 518-237-0800; Ext: 3304

English Language Learners support: K-6; Contact Joe Siracue; 518-237-0800; Ext: 3509; 7-12 Contact, Christopher Scanlan, 518-237-0800; Ext: 3709

Social-Emotional needs: K-6, Karen Budrakey, 518-237-0800; Ext: 3335; 7-12, Barbara Smith, 518-237-0800; Ext: 1208

Homelessness Concerns: K-12; Christopher Scanlan; 518-237-0800; Ext: 3709