Dear West Families,

Welcome Back!

There is a lot going on that is important for you to know and hopefully I can provide some help and assistance as we start online.

First off, we are running on a digital Bell Schedule this year. Students will meet (live) with their class twice a week on **Monday and Thursday (periods 1-4)** and **Tuesday and Friday for (period 5-7)**. Additionally, Teachers will have **daily office hours between 2:45-3:30** to communicate with students and parents. Wednesdays will be intervention and small groups.

Look for your Student’s Advisory (first period teacher) to be calling you between now and next Wednesday, 8/26 to make contact. I have attached a copy of the schedule to this email, and you can also find it on the West Middle School web page. [https://west.nsd131.org/](https://west.nsd131.org/)

**Resources:**

The district has complied resources to help you and your student navigate the digital environment.


This will show you how to log into the resources we are using including:

**TEAMS:** Live chats with teachers, live meetings with teachers and file sharing.

**OTUS:** All your student’s classes will post assignments in this platform. You should have received a code to log into OTUS.
**PowerSchool** remains the platform to look up grades and attendance for your student.

**REMIND:** Please sign up for the REMIND app so we can text or email you a reminder about how to access your student’s assignments.

If you are having problems logging in or computer issues in general contact NSD Help Desk at (208) 468-4777 or at Helpdesk@nsd131.org.

Student schedules will be available to students via Powerschool over the weekend since we are still being balanced to reflect new registration.

Please have your student log in and look at Teams before Monday. It will help Monday be a less stressful experience for them. If you have not picked up your student’s device, we are open from 8-6 Thursday 8/20, 8-3:30 Friday 8/21 and 7:30-3:30 beginning Monday 8/24. You need to have completed registration before you can receive a computer.

Our goal is to have our students back into the halls of West Middle School safely. Until we can make that happen, we will work alongside you and your children to make sure your student continues to have a high-quality education. Please call our office with any questions (208) 468-4750.

Sincerely,

Chance Whitmore

Principal, West Middle School

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Attachment: Schedule Document