



COVID-19 School Campus Closure Distance Learning Guiding Principles

Walla Walla Public Schools understands that its ability to fully deliver on its educational mission will be affected by school campus closures due to the global health crises from COVID-19. The foundation of our traditional educational model, framed by intentional connection, relationships, and interaction between students and adults, will be interrupted. Despite these challenges, our district remains committed to offering the richest experience possible for all students until schools are permitted to reopen.

To ensure our Distance Learning Program is consistent with our district's values and mission, we have established Guiding Principles that frame our expectations and student experience.

The Walla Walla Public Schools Distance Learning Program will ensure:

- Equity and access for all students and families remains our core priority
- Consistent and intentional opportunities are developed to maintain connection between students, faculty and families
- Sufficient learning opportunities and experiences will be developed so that students can continue mastering grade level and content promise standards, earn credits, and remain on track for graduation
- Systems and services to support student and adult social and emotional needs are in place
- Services, when needed, are provided to our most vulnerable families (e.g. food/nutrition, social services, childcare, severely handicapped)
- Educational services and supports continue, to the best of our ability, for special education, English learner, and other identified and at-risk populations
- Flexibility for faculty to deliver educational services and experiences for students is honored within a standardized system (e.g. packets for preschool and elementary and Google Classroom for secondary)