

Attendance and Chronic Absenteeism

WAJ expects that every individual will do their duty to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to do their very best in the role they have. Learning requires regular active engagement. It is expected that all students will attend their program, whether in-person (when possible) and/or remotely every day. While WAJ teachers will be required to keep daily attendance and engagement records, it is imperative that parents and students take responsibility for their own engagement each day, whether in the classroom or participating remotely.

The WAJ Child Study Team will meet weekly to monitor the progress of students when in a remote environment. Teachers will be required to keep daily attendance and engagement records (as evidenced by completion of classwork, homework, etc.) Teachers will be the first to contact families if a child is not engaging in remote learning. Should the teacher not have success with this intervention, the child will be referred to the child study team. The team will review teacher submissions and create an intervention plan which will include a tier of supports to engage students in the remote learning work.

To discourage parents from sending students with COVID-19 symptoms to school, WAJ will not be recognizing perfect attendance or like awards during the 2020-2021 school year. Instead, we hope all individuals will responsibly address changes in their health without the pressure to attend for recognition awards.

PARENTS MUST KEEP SYMPTOMATIC CHILDREN HOME. The school will expect regular updates from parents if their child is unable to participate in the school day, either for illness or other reasons. Chronic absenteeism may be addressed by involving other agencies if necessary.

Childcare

The District will assist and direct individuals needing childcare to outside agencies offering childcare opportunities within the area.