Waynesville Elementary School April 10, 2020 Newsletter



Greetings from

Mrs. Poole and Mrs. Garafolo

Even though the buildings are closed, we can be reached the following ways:

Tracey Poole-Principal

Email: tpoole@wayne-local.com

Anna Garafolo-Assistant Principal

Email: <u>agarafolo@wayne-local.com</u>

Messages maybe left on the Elementary School phone- 513-897-2761

Feel free to contact us with your questions and concerns.

Kindergarten Screenings

Screenings are postponed until further notice. Please check our website as information and new dates become available.

As many of you color eggs for Easter, we'd love for you to send in pictures of your artwork. You can either email pictures of real eggs that you have colored or share your holiday craft projects! Be creative and you may be on our social media pages or in our next newsletter!! All pictures may be sent to tpoole@wayne-local.com.

Dear Parents and Students,

Thank you for your continued dedication to our new world of remote learning.

We appreciate all you have done to support your student and our teachers.

As we enter into this holiday weekend, even though we might not be able to celebrate Easter or Passover as we normally would, know there is hope as we move forward through this situation. Please know we are all in this together

and look forward to when we can all be together in one building again. Be sure to check out our new district staff video that sends greetings your way!

Stay safe and healthy!

Mrs. Poole

Week Three of Remote Learning

Week two is in the books! Students should have a routine in place. One issue we are hearing concerns Specials.

Mrs. Stevenson and Mr. Cook have quick videos for your child to watch everyday!

Mrs. Stubbs (Music) and Mrs. Byrnes (Art) have one video per week.

Your child should only be watching their video on the day they would normally have that class at school. For example,

If your child has Art on Monday, he/she would watch the Art video only on Monday to get the information for class that day. Your child could also tune in for a quick video from Mrs. Stevenson and Mr. Cook if they would like to hear library news or receive tips to get up and moving! I hope this helps!

Parents, if you need to change any of your personal information in our system this needs to be done on Final Forms. Final Forms allows you to update phone numbers, email addresses, etc.



Free Online Learning

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are providing you with free at-home access to our online learning programs ABCmouse, Adventure Academy, and ReadingIQ while your child's school is closed. These research-based educational programs include thousands of digital learning activities, and they can help preschool, pre-k, elementary, and middle school students keep learning while schools are closed.

All three programs can be used on computers, tablets, and smartphones, and you can add up to three children per account!

How to Get Your Free Accounts

Click on the link below for each program that you wish to provide to your child/children:

- Click on the link below for each program.
- 2. Enter this School Code: SCHOOL6225
- Create an account using your personal email address and a password of your choice.



ADVENTURE ACADEMY™

For Children in 3rd Through 8th Grade

www.AdventureAcademy.com/redeem



For Children in Preschool Through 6th Grade

www.ReadingIQ.com/redeem

(Internet access is not needed after ReadingIQ is downloaded.)

If you have questions or need help with using your School Code, please email Customer Support at Support@AofL.com.

With our best wishes.

The Age of Learning Team

Resources

Don't have internet access? Need a better connection? Here are resources to help:

We are here to help you at Wayne Local Schools. Please check out the following resources for internet connections, MANY are here in town and FREE! https://wifi.xfinity.com/

They are offering FREE internet Wi-Fi through hotspots. They are located all over our area. Please click on this link and click on the "FIND A HOTSPOT" tab at the top to see where they are located in and around the Waynesville area, as well as directions to get there if you need.

Everyone can now access 1.5 million out-of-home Xfinity Wi-Fi hotspots for free: These hotspots are normally located in business areas, retail locations and transit areas. To find your nearest hotspot, enter your zip code below. Once you are at the location, follow the instructions at xfinity.com/wifi to join the hotspot. These 1.5 million hotspots are now free for all who need them through this challenging time.

The Mary L. Cook Library is offering the use of their WI-FI network for free. All you need to do is take your device with you and get close to the building. They are currently closed on the inside, but offer their Wi-Fi on the outside, for free! The network is called Library Free Wi-Fi, no password is needed.

Charter Communication, which operates under the brand Spectrum, is offering free internet and broadband, including in-home Wi-Fi, to new subscriber households with K-12 and/or college students, as well as teachers, for 60 days. To enroll, call 1-844-488-8395. o Free Spectrum Assist Service, with speeds of 30 mbps, is available for low-income families who are not already enrolled in the program. To be eligible, households must be recipients of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) of NSLP or receive supplemental security income (for applicants ages 65+ only).

Free Spectrum Internet is available for any households with K-12 and/or college students or teachers who do not already have Spectrum Internet subscriptions. Free self-installation kits will be provided for new subscriber households. Spectrum will partner with school districts to ensure local communities are aware of these tools to help students learn remotely. No data caps and no hidden fees.

AT&T is offering internet access for qualifying limited-income households at \$10 a month through its Access from AT&T program. It is expanding eligibility to Access from AT&T to households participating in the National School Lunch Program and Head Start; providing two months of free service to new Access from AT&T subscribers; and providing free access to and unlimited usage of Caribou, a video calling application.

Not sure which internet providers are available in your area? Visit https://www.inmyarea.com and type in your zip code to see which providers service your area.

