

# HURRICANE INTERMEDIATE JAGUARS



September 2020



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Students and Parents,

Wow! I don't know about you, but I am so happy to be back in school. I missed seeing the students and know that distance learning is not nearly as effective as meeting in person.

Thank you for your patience as we navigate the pressures to hold school, while balancing safety and restrictions. I am amazed at how smoothly the start of the year has been. Students have been great at adapting to our new protocols.

Our school mission is to ensure that every student at Hurricane Intermediate is high-achieving and well-rounded. We want our students to be successful in everything they do. This year, we will continue focusing on increasing the "GRIT" our students show when they are asked to do hard things. GRIT stands for Growth, Resilience, Integrity, and Teamwork. Research shows that the best indicator of success is not talent or intelligence, but grit. The best way to teach this to students is by engaging them in a "growth mindset." We will work to replace "I can't do this" or "I don't know how" to "I can't do this yet" and "I don't know how yet."

Thanks for all you do. Let us know if there is anything we can do to help.

Sincerely,

Mr. C.



# Calendar Items



**September 7<sup>th</sup> - LABOR DAY (NO SCHOOL)**



**October 1<sup>st</sup> - PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY**

**WCSD MASTER  
CALENDAR  
2020-2021**

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**DAILY BELL  
SCHEDULES**

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# Finance

Did you forget to  
pay your  
student's  
registration fees?



**PAY HERE**

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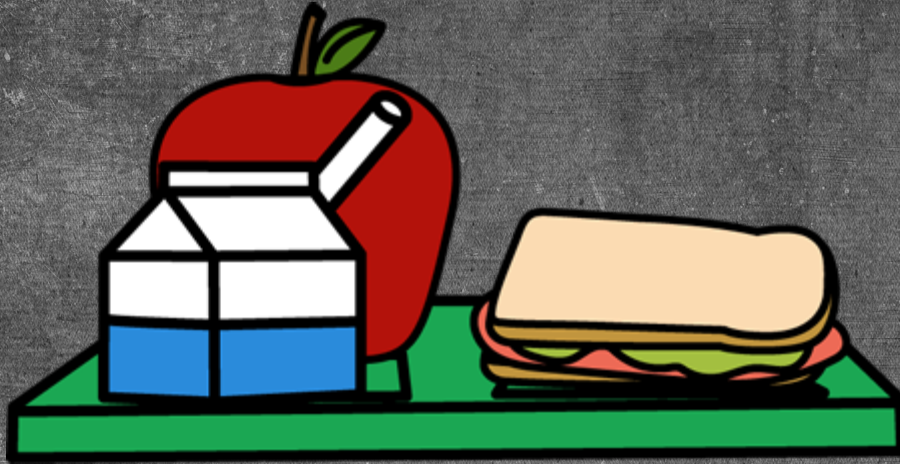
# Attendance

- If your child will not be at school, please call 635-8931 or email [karina.goodwin@washk12.org](mailto:karina.goodwin@washk12.org)
- If you are checking your student out of school, you will need to come in to the school and sign your student out. You must have photo ID in order to check out a student. We will not release students to anyone who is not on your contact list.
- District policy allows us to excuse valid absences/tardies that are within 7 days.

WCSD Attendance Policy



# School Lunch



If your student was on free or reduced lunch last school year and a new meal application has not been filled out, they will be charged as a **FULL** pay student on **September 24, 2020**. Meal benefits can be applied for by filling out a form online at [www.washki2.org/food-service/free-and-reduced](http://www.washki2.org/food-service/free-and-reduced). It can take up to 10 working days for the application to be processed. If you need to fill out an application for the 2020-2021 school year, please do so as soon as possible. If you filled out a blue or green fee waiver form at registration, this is **NOT** the form for free or reduced meals.



# Hurricane Area

To All Hurricane High Fans,

These are unprecedented times and we are trying to figure out how to run things in our present circumstances. It has been a struggle to get sports going this year, and a constant battle to keep them going. We know many in this valley love their Tigers and we want all to be involved in the successes we have this school year. Now that sports have begun, I am reaching out to all of you and asking for your help as we are all trying our best to keep our schools open, and allow our student athletes to compete.

The Region 9 Board of Managers met yesterday (all of the high school principals of Region 9) and had a LONG discussion about the health directives we have been given, how we are trying to meet them, and what might be the "best" way to keep our events going while following the mandates. One idea that has been tried successfully at another school was to limit the number of younger kids who come to the games and play around. It was decided by all of the schools that this limit was a good way to follow the health directives we have been given, but not impact the students who are in 9th-12th grades.

Other schools around the state are limiting their fans into the game, either to 25% capacity or only allowing 2 tickets per player. We have chosen to ask non-high school kids to sit in the stands as socially distanced as possible and to keep people off of the field instead of limiting fans by other more drastic measures. None of us want to be wearing masks, but we will follow the state mandates so our kids can play.

**We expect all students 8th grade and younger to be in the stands with an adult/family and not running around the football/soccer stadium, basketball/volleyball courts, auditorium etc. We also do not want unattended children coming to the games. If a parent/responsible adult can't be to the game to supervise their children please have them stay home. Please practice social distancing as much as possible. We are also asking all guests to wear a face covering. We will not allow people onto the field/courts following the game.**

To some, this may seem extreme and unnecessary. I will argue that it is imperative that we do all we can so our high school students can compete without the worry that their program will get shut down due to COVID. I am asking all who read this to do your part to ensure we have a successful school year and every opportunity given to our students to enjoy and participate in their sport.

From one Tiger fan to another,

Darin Thomas, High School Principal