Reopening Advisory Groups

2020-21 School Year

Goal

Advisory groups will meet, review key information and WASD stakeholder feedback, and make recommendations to be considered for the safe reopening of our schools for the 2020-21 academic year.

Why?

The COVID-19 pandemic caused the closing of WASD and all Pennsylvania schools from March 13, 2020, through the end of 2019-20 school year. There are many questions regarding the reopening of our schools for the 2020-21 school year. Advisory groups will enable WASD to benefit from the knowledge and contributions of many stakeholders.

Who?

Advisory groups will be comprised of WASD administrators, staff members, School Board representatives and community members. Senior high student representatives will also connect with advisory teams to provide input. All meetings will be held using remote technology such as Zoom or WebEx. The groups will be organized into six areas: Student Health and Support; Education Delivery; Student Activities; Technology Support; Operations and Transportation; and Facilities and Maintenance.

When?

Advisory groups will organize and begin their work during the week of May 25-29, and continue through June/July 2020. Recommendations will be shared and revised as needed as additional direction is provided by Governor Wolf, the Pennsylvania Department of Education, and the CDC.

What?

Groups will review guidance and information from Governor Wolf, PDE, the CDC and other sources. WASD students, staff and parents completed a survey in May to provide feedback. Advisory groups will submit recommendations that will be summarized and reviewed by the WASD Administration and School Board. Recommendations will include consideration of our return to a traditional school schedule as well as modification based on available guidance/mandates. Updates will be shared at public meetings and posted on the WASD website at the following link:

https://www.wyoarea.org/our_district/c_o_v_i_d-19_information_h_u_b