

Westside Christian Wave Weekly

April 21

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Update on school closure

On April 16, Governor Evers issued Emergency Order #28 to extend the Safer At Home mandate to May 26, with the additional direction that **all Wisconsin schools, public and private, will remain closed for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year.** We know this uncertainty has been a challenge for families, so we're thankful that a decision has been made and we can move forward. Under this order, we *can continue* to facilitate virtual learning. We are committed to supporting all of our students throughout the upcoming weeks. Our teachers have already been planning the rest of the 2019-2020 school year with the intent to keep up online learning lessons and activities. It may be necessary for students to drop off assignments or pick up new materials at some point in April or May. Your child's teacher will let you know if this is needed and how we can assist you in making a smooth and safe transition of that process.

If at any time your family needs assistance, please let us know. After reviewing your survey results we made some adjustments and online learning appears to be going quite smoothly. However, if your child is feeling overwhelmed, confused about daily lessons, or needs a modification, please reach out to myself and/or your child's teacher. We are here to help and want to see every child succeed. Even though our schools are closed, learning will continue, and we can hopefully offer your child a daily routine and some normalcy. As always, thank you for being flexible and staying informed of everything we are doing for students.

While we are certainly disappointed that we can't have some of the enjoyable end of year activities that are normally planned, the safety and health of our community is highly important. We are still hoping to coordinate a picnic this summer, if it becomes safe for us to gather. It will be necessary for students to pick up the remainder of their personal items and receive yearbooks or diplomas. We would especially like to give a great send off to our 8th grade class in celebration of finishing their years at Westside. After being apart for quite a while, it would certainly be a blessing to have a party and see our entire Westside Christian School community! As we learn more in the coming weeks regarding the end of Safer At Home restrictions, we will communicate specifics with all of you.

It's our hope that through our interactions with students each day, the daily bible lessons, and our online chapel devotions, that your family is reminded of the peace we have in our Savior. We know He has conquered the challenges of this world and we are blessed with salvation because of Him. As it says in John 16:33, "In me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble, but I have overcome the world!" We pray that you all have peace in Jesus and can find joy in your time together as a family.

Yearbook orders due THURSDAY!

We are now taking orders for anyone interested in purchasing the WCS 2019-2020 yearbook. The full-color yearbook includes all grades (Pre-K3 – 8th) and captures the many events and activities held this past year. Consider ordering one for each child.

To Order: Complete the fillable yearbook order form below and [email](#) it to Ellie Roekle at roekle@hotmail.com **no later than this Thursday, April 23, 2020**. Payment will be collected via TADS, nothing is required on your part. Note: order forms received after the deadline will result in higher prices.

Distribution: Yearbooks will be provided to Westside for distribution. Pick up dates and times will be provided once known.

Contact Ellie Roekle with questions at roekle@hotmail.com.



2019-2020 Yearbook Order Form - Fillable.docx

[Download](#)
555.7 KB

Call update

Joe Blum has returned the call to Westside and will remain at Garden Homes Lutheran in Milwaukee where the Lord has led him to continue his ministry.

The St. Andrew Board of Directors will evaluate all available options for filling the position. In consultation with Principal Pucci and our District President, Pastor Jensen, they will determine whether or not to place a call or to request an assignment of a graduate from Martin Luther College.

Join our team of amazing teachers!

Preschool Teacher

WCS is looking for a qualified preschool teacher who would be interested in being a lead teacher a minimum of 2 days a week. Ideal candidates would be a WELS member, have preschool experience, and Elem. Ed. degree or have taken early childhood certification classes. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more, contact [Principal Meredith Pucci](#).

Spanish Teacher

Westside Christian School is looking for a Spanish teacher beginning next school year. This part-time position would include teaching two sections of Spanish, 2-3 days a week. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more, please reach out to Principal Meredith Pucci.

Don't forget PE and Art

Your child's virtual school week should include physical education (PE) and art class. Mrs. Wood and Ms. Martalock included guidance for their classes in your child's bag of materials.

For PE, you are encouraged to submit the Activity Log to Mrs. Wood (julia.wood@westside-christian.org) at the end of each week.

For art, you received a drawing challenge sheet. Completed projects should be submitted to Ms. Martalock (sue.martalock@westside-christian.org).

If you are missing these materials or have questions, please let the teacher know.

Six Flags Read to Succeed program deadline extended

Six Flags has extended the reading deadline until **May 4**. If you did not register when the flyer came home with your student, you can still self-register. Simply go to sixflags.com/books, and use code **CZS6W**.

All families will need to complete their student's reading log by May 4 to be eligible to receive the free admission to Six Flags.

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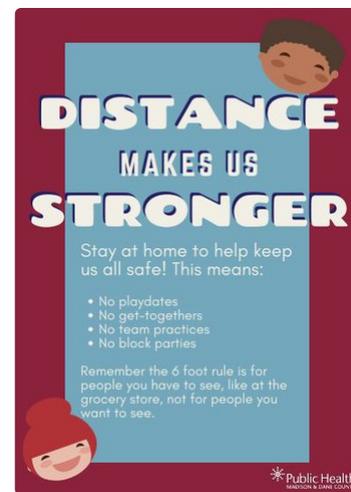
Due to the COVID-19 crisis, DPI has extended the deadline to submit an application and complete the application process for the WPCP to May 14, 2020. Completion of the process includes your submission of certain documents to Westside. We need to have received all required documents from you no later than May 14.

To be in line with this new deadline, Westside has also extended the deadline for financial aid applications. The economic impact of COVID-19 is significant, and we understand that your income from last year may not be a true picture of our financial situation for the coming school year. Our financial aid process allows families to submit a written letter to help us better understand each family's unique situation.

Contact [Meredith Pucci](#) ASAP if you have questions about either program.

Distance makes us stronger

We know these are tough times, and that having your kids get together with other kids brings a sense of comfort (and gives you a break too)! However, it's extremely important that you and your family maintain physical distance from other people who live outside of your home. Do not host play dates, meet up at the park, or let your children hang out with their friends during the day, evening, or on the weekends.



Information for your taxes

Tax season is upon us. You will probably need our Federal EIN: 39-1437079. Also, you can find a record of your tuition expenses for 2018 using the following steps:

- 1) Log into TADS.
- 2) Navigate to the Billing area.
- 3) Click on the link titled "Household Paid Tuition Tax Report".

If you do not remember your login credentials for TADS, you will need to call them at 800-477-8237.



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