

Spartan Virtual Learning Newsletter

West Springfield High School

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Asynchronous Learning on October 29th for PSAT Day

The Junior PSAT will be implemented on October 29th. The day will be a time for asynchronous work for all students not taking the PSAT. Students will not need to check-in to virtual classes and student attendance will be mark accordingly by the school.

PSAT Opt-In

On Thursday, October 29, West Springfield High School 11th graders will have the opportunity to take the PSAT/NMSQT in school. FCPS will cover the cost for any 11th grade student to take this test. October 29th will be an asynchronous learning day for all high school students and 11th graders participating in the PSAT will be excused from those asynchronous lessons.

To help the school prepare for testing, **11th graders** are asked to complete the form below **by Friday, October 9**. This form asks about participation in the test, the need or bus transportation, and interest in free breakfast or lunch on the day of the test.

[West Springfield HS: PSAT/NMSQT Intent to Participate Form](#)

FCPS students in Grade 11 should use their @fcpschools.net accounts to complete this form to indicate if they intend to take the PSAT/NMSQT on Thursday, October 29, 2020.

Orange/Blue Calendar with LS Rotations

<https://westspringfieldhs.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/inline-files/2020-2021%20Calendar%20Days%20%284%29.pdf>

Forms

<https://westspringfieldhs.fcps.edu/announcements/virtual-spartan-spree>

Monday Attendance Form

Students will fill out this google survey **every** Monday.

- <https://forms.gle/JVnQp1paqZSSpfz87>
- Students will need to be logged into their FCPS Google Account to access it.
- Going forward reminders to fill out the Monday form will go out to students from Schoology.

Students who have been assigned or request remediation will have been contacted by a teacher before Monday. If there are any questions about the Monday Attendance Form, please reach out to Elizabeth Wahl (ewahl@fcps.edu).

Small Group Instruction Groups

In the next few weeks, FCPS is planning to begin in-person instruction for small groups of students who might be experiencing the greatest challenges with distance learning. We will follow strict safety and health protocols to minimize health risks for students and staff. To learn more, visit [here](#).

We are planning for students with intellectual disabilities (ID) to return tentatively on October 27, 2020.

Potential Concurrent Instructional Pilot

West Springfield High School is hoping to be considered for a concurrent instruction pilot. This opportunity would have a small number of students come to school for in-person instruction in a hybrid concurrent model. The target is for there to be a two-day test period. Parent permission will be required for students selected into the pilot. Strict safety and health protocols to minimize health risks for students and staff will be implemented. To learn more, visit [here](#). Additional updates will be sent to identified students, if approved.



Senior Spotlight!

Information for the Class of 2021

Graduation Date:

FCPS has tentatively planned graduation for WSHS on June 1, 2021 at 9:30 am.

Senior Pictures Update:

Due to changing regulations we delayed our senior pictures from the traditional summer period. We sent out a survey to seniors asking if they would prefer to continue to delay pictures so they could be taken with traditional drapes and tux's or to have their picture taken now with a different clothing format. 75% of those who responded asked to delay pictures.

At this time, we have decided to delay senior pictures until the end of November and the beginning of December with the hope we can have the traditional pictures taken. In the event we still have restriction in place at that time, pictures will be taken with an alternative clothing format.

Senior T-shirts: First Round of Orders is closed!

If you ordered in the first round (orders were due Mon Sept 21), students will be able to pick up their shirts in October (details to come!).

If you still want to order, senior T-shirts can be purchased at [MySchoolBucks](#). The next orders will close at the end of October for a November delivery.



All Night Grad Party Update:

More information will be sent out in the News You Choose email. Check out the website to learn more! <https://wshs-angp.square.site/>