



Dear K-5 Cyber Families,

Welcome to West Chester Area School District's K-5 Cyber Program. We are beyond thrilled that you selected our program for your child for the 2020-2021 school year. We understand that there is a lot of uncertainty in the world right now, and we are happy to be able to provide this flexible option for our families across the district.

I am honored to serve as your K-5 Administrator in the cyber program. I am entering my eleventh year as Fern Hill Elementary School's principal. Before leaving the district for a few years of assistant principal experience, I was a science teacher at Peirce Middle School. Before that, I taught elementary school in Haverford School District. My husband and I live in the district with our three children. My youngest is entering kindergarten and my oldest is off to middle school, so we are working through everything as a family too! I look forward to working together to provide a positive learning experience for all children!

**Deadline & Withdraw Information:** The enrollment deadline for our cyber program is Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. After hearing the reopening and safety plan, if you would like to withdraw from the cyber program and participate in your child's school Remote Learning 2.0 experience, please simply email me ([reberly@wcasd.net](mailto:reberly@wcasd.net)) with your child's name, home school, and grade.

**iPad Deployment:** All K-5 cyber students will receive an iPad and charger for the school year. 3<sup>rd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will also receive a keyboard. **You will participate in your child's home school distribution, meaning you will pick up your iPad at your home school.** The district's technology department is working with each home school principal to establish iPad pick up dates. If you were given an iPad in the spring, you will need to return the one you have and you will receive one with preloaded applications and programs that your child will need for our cyber learning. Please do not worry if you have not received communication from your child's home school principal yet, not all of the schools have a date/time set up at this time. Once the principal has a date, he/she will send out the information.

Additional Information:

- **Class Assignments:** Thank you for your patience. We are juggling many additional factors as we create the classes for the upcoming school year. The cyber enrollment closes on Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. After that, we will be able to solidify staffing and our classes. Once we know when we are able to release the classes and teacher name, we will communicate that to you.
- **Schedule:** Once our teachers are hired and in place, we will solidify the grade level/class schedules and we will communicate that to you.

- **Additional Materials:** Our administrative team is working on the material distribution plan. More information to come.
- **Assessments:** We have an assessment committee working together to determine which assessments we will conduct virtually with your child. We will assess our students to have an understanding of every child's entry level as we start the school year. Our teachers will use this information to provide their targeted, differentiated instruction to ensure we are meeting the strengths and needs of all learners.
- **WCASD Calendar:**  
[https://www.wcasd.net/cms/lib/PA02203541/Centricity/Domain/1053/20-21\\_SB\\_Calendar\\_Update.pdf](https://www.wcasd.net/cms/lib/PA02203541/Centricity/Domain/1053/20-21_SB_Calendar_Update.pdf)
- **Physicals/Dental Forms:** For new students and dental for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Your child's home school nurse will reach out if you need to submit any updated information.
- **Open House:** Please save the date for our Virtual Open House dates/times. We will spend time orienting you to Schoology (3-5), Seesaw (k-2), Zoom, class expectations and more! You will not want to miss this informational evening.

**Upcoming Dates:**

Date	Event
August 26 <sup>th</sup>	Kindergarten and First Grade Open House @ 7pm
August 31 <sup>st</sup>	School Starts
September 1 <sup>st</sup>	Grades 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Open House @ 7pm
September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Grades 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Open House @ 7pm
September 4 <sup>th</sup>	No school
September 7 <sup>th</sup>	Labor Day – No school

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me ([reberly@wcasd.net](mailto:reberly@wcasd.net)).

Enjoy your week,  
Rebecca Eberly, K-5 Cyber Administrator