August 12, 2021

Dear Waldo families,

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! School begins for students this year on Wednesday, August 25, 2021. We have been working hard all summer to plan for a safe school opening and implement best practices to mitigate the risks associated with COVID-19.

This year, masks are required for unvaccinated individuals. In addition, masking is required for everyone, regardless of vaccination status, based upon moderate and above transmission levels. Students will be socially distanced three feet apart to the greatest extent possible during the school day. We will continue to emphasize other mitigation strategies such as proper handwashing and using hand sanitizer to promote good hygiene.

Waldo Middle School is a positive place to learn and grow. We are proud of our school and have high expectations for every student. Our students are kind, compassionate, and curious. As our students return to school for five days a week of in-person instruction, we plan to emphasize their social-emotional well-being. This year, our district-wide theme is “You belong here,” and when students feel safe, valued and accepted, it creates a welcoming learning environment.

A positive home-school partnership is critical. We appreciate your support as you work with students at home to practice safety protocols such as wearing a mask and washing hands. We encourage families to stay connected and informed by following our district website for important updates and information regarding our reopening plans.

**Arrival / Breakfast / Dismissal Information**

- Students arriving for breakfast will enter the cafeteria through Door 5 beginning at 7:00am.
- All other student entrances will open at 7:20am.
  - Door 1-6th Grade
  - Door 2-7th Grade
  - Door 9-8th Grade
- Students entering after 7:30am will need to enter through Door 1. Breakfast will be available as students enter the building.

**Dress Code**

Considering the impact of the pandemic, we want to provide flexibility for our families, so uniforms are optional this year.
**Upcoming Dates**

August 16 – 19

- Technology / Schedule Pickup

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August 24: Meet and Greet for K-8 students 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

August 25: First Day of School – Arrival Time: 7:00am for breakfast; 7:20am for all other students

Most Sincerely,

Kelly M. Hills  
Principal

*Reach your full potential!*