



*Dear Steger and Givens Families:*

*April 22, 2021*

At the time of this newsletter, we have 26 more days of school. I know our students are dreaming of summer, thinking about spending time with family and friends, or wondering what the next grade level will be like, etc. Yet, it is so important that everyone does their very best – even in this last month of school. It's been a while ago since I've written about getting to school on time; and for the past few months, the students have been doing a good job of getting here and being ready to learn at 7:50 a.m. – the start of the school day. But in recent weeks, this is not the case. We are having many students coming to school late. Some students miss the start time by a minute and some students are late by 10 minutes or more. I am again asking our parents and guardians for help in supporting their child. Research on being late for school has many effects for the child and for his/her classmates. Being late to school may lead to lower grades, failure to feel connected with the school, and loss of prime learning time – the morning. When a child is late for school, it is hard for them to get into the routine of the day, especially when their classmates are already focused on the first class or morning meeting. When students are late, they have the feeling of needing to catch up. Since the teacher needs to stop the class, help the student settle in or give directs to a late student, there is an interruption to the entire class. We want every student to start their day being where they need to be and ready to learn. On behalf of our staff, I am again reaching out asking for your assistance with this concern. We know that sometimes being late for school is not avoidable, but we'd like to work with parents to help the children get to school on time. Simple strategies like: packing your lunch and/or back pack the night before, setting an alarm, and laying out clothes helps when get to school on time. If we can be of assistance in any way, please don't hesitate to let me or any of the staff know.

Final week of MAP testing is coming up. Throughout the building all classes are doing their best on the tests! Please continue to support your child by encouraging them to get a good night's sleep, eat a good breakfast and get to school on time. Please remember – no sports watches. Testing days continue for Steger and Givens on the following days:

April 26<sup>th</sup> – Childress – ELA

April 27<sup>th</sup> – Childress – Math, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Math, 4<sup>th</sup> grade - Math, 5<sup>th</sup> grade - Math

April 28<sup>th</sup> – Mason – ELA, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Math, 4<sup>th</sup> grade – Math, 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Science

April 29<sup>th</sup> – Mason – Math, 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Science

### **Congratulations to every student of team Polaris for 100% attendance during MAP testing!**

*The first week of Camp Wyman* on our school campus is behind us! The students had a great time. There were many challenges (besides the weather) for them in the variety of activities and they did a good job of completing those tasks. Although the snow flurries were definitely not in our plan, the Wyman and Steger staff came up with alternatives that brought everyone together.

**Camp dates to go: Polaris - April 27 & 28, Vega – May 3 & 4**

### ***FINAL School spirit days to come –***

**May 7<sup>th</sup> – School Spirit Day! Dress in your Steger Star, or Givens Dolphins apparel!**

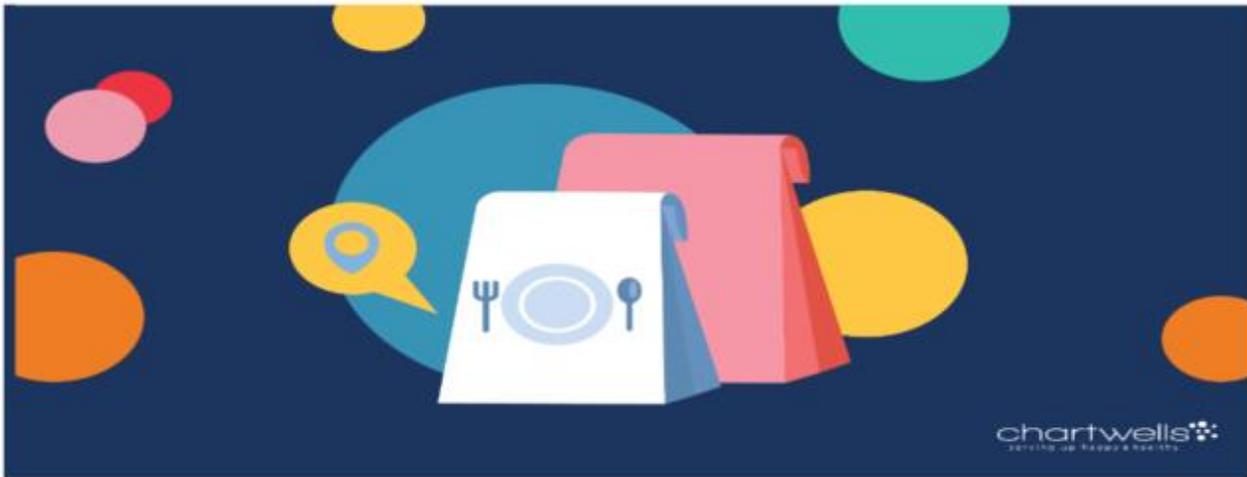
The WGSD is serving breakfast and lunch for free and providing delivery for our virtual learners. Please see the attached link for more information.



free breakfast and  
lunch.pptx

### ***Kindergarten Registration for the 2021-2022 school year continues!***

*Thank you,  
Dr. Retzlaff*



During in person learning and distance learning, Webster Groves Students will continue to have access to FREE breakfast and FREE lunch Monday - Friday.

Meals are available for our virtual learners via contactless home delivery. Students who have opted for in person learning, will be able choose their meal choice daily in the classroom.

For home delivery, please sign up using the below link

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfH08CJC0Jnb0mqz6Cg45vKq9mlIDBcKBWFJWwbBoiM96s-9A/viewform>

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