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Whitman Middle School

Back-to-School night 2020

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Celebrations!

- A special THANK YOU to our Whitman parents & families!
- Technology Support
- Distance Learning
  - Attendance and Student Engagement
- PTSA Membership - whitmanptsa.new.memberhub.store/store

Whitman Middle School
Core Beliefs

We believe...

- **All** students can learn.
- We have collective responsibility for all students.
- Our school must address the academic, social, and emotional needs of our students and community.
- In Professional Learning Communities, and through the work of Collaborative Teams, students will achieve at high levels.
- We must be culturally responsive to build relationships.
- Diversity is a strength in creating a resilient, open-minded community of learners.

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Vision

We inspire students to discover and pursue opportunities as they become innovative and productive global citizens.

Mission

Through collective responsibility and collaboration with peers, parents, and community members, we will create a positive, respectful culture that sets high expectations, achievable goals, and a pathway to success for all students.

Distance Learning Fall 2020

- Increased synchronous time with teachers
- Grades
- Additional family resources and support
- Extensive professional learning around teaching in a virtual environment, as well as Social Emotional Learning
- Targeted small group instruction and intervention

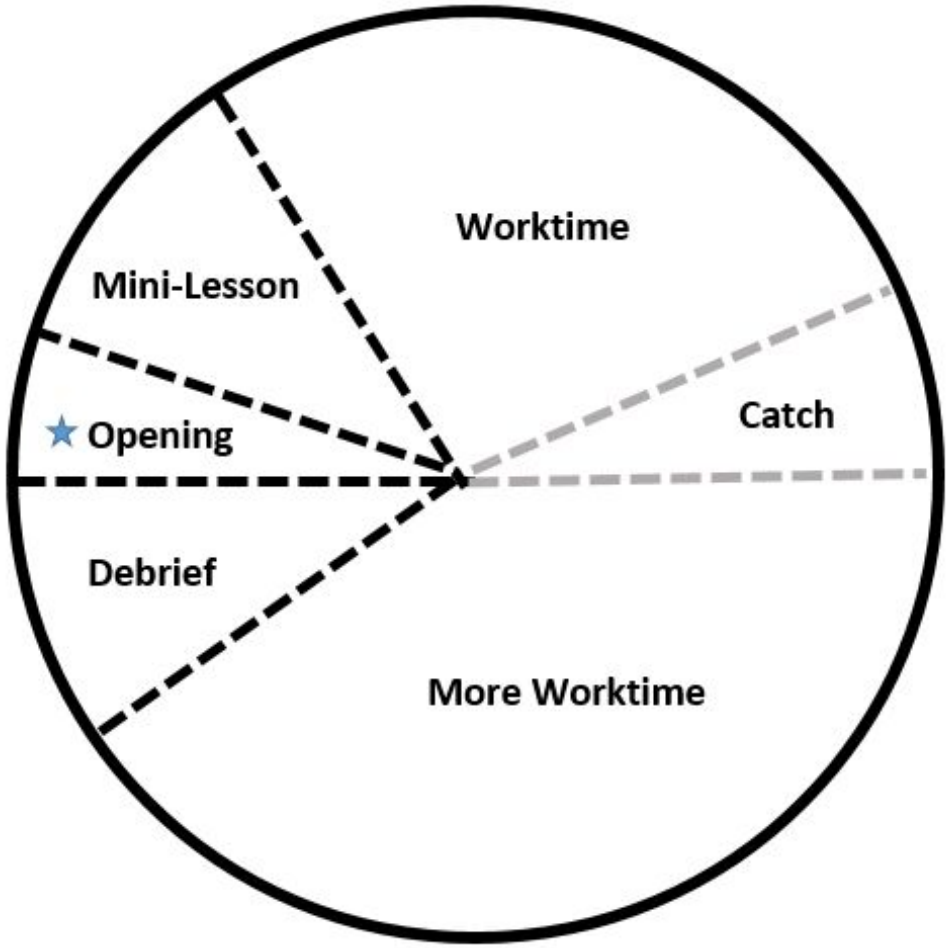
Mondays

- Asynchronous (Independent Work) activities may include:
  - Practice activities
  - Projects
  - Reading and/or writing
  - Research/analysis structured through a shared doc
  - Assessments
  - Not to exceed 60 minutes per course
- Intervention
- Check-ins with Advisory teacher monthly

Bell Schedule
Tuesday - Friday

Period	Time	Minutes
1/2	7:30 AM - 8:50 AM	80
3/4	9:05 AM - 10:25 AM	80
Lunch	10:35 AM - 11:10 AM	35
5/6	11:20 AM - 12:40 PM	80
7/8	12:55 PM - 2:15 PM	80

Instructional Model - Synchronous Learning



Tips for Success

- When possible, dedicate a "work space."
- Communicate with teachers regularly.
- Check assignments regularly in Google Classroom.
- Create a schedule, and stick to it as closely as possible.
  - Make sure to build in a screen break, bathroom and water breaks, etc.
- Be mindful of microphones/cameras
- Remain open and flexible to learn this new way together. (#WhitmanStrong)

Communication

Next Steps

- Please use the PDF shared to learn more about Whitman MS and its programming.

- We will have a closing session to answer additional questions from 7:40 pm - 8:00 pm.

Back-to-School Night

Walt Whitman Middle School

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