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WSHS Community,

Thank you for your ongoing support of our staff. During National Teacher Appreciation Week, we recognize the efforts our staff has made to turn their practice from face-to-face to online without the formalized training a teacher would typically receive to conduct an online class. We also acknowledge the efforts of the families for stepping in the gap to provide assistance to their children. I can't think of a better example of the proverb, "it takes a village."

We appreciate your patience as we worked with Skyward to accurately display the second semester grading period. This was a lengthier process than we anticipated, but one we had to get right. Below you will find a summary of our Online Learning Grading Practices and the why behind these minor changes.

Online Learning Grading Practices

- 2nd Semester will be one grading period (January 21-June 4). Skyward shows T3 and S2, which really are the same grading period based on the adjustments.
- Those students in Advanced Placement or transcripted courses will continue with their classes meeting the same expectations as prior to the closure.
- End-of-semester exams will not be held. Physical Science teachers will score the year-long science project in the semester exam column in Skyward.
- Graduation requirements and credits awarded will be based on the 2nd Semester grades.

The Why

- To produce a semester grade needed for a transcript, we selected the option we felt is the most accurate reflection of student learning based on the circumstances: Students had 45 days of face-to-face instruction and 16 days of virtual instruction during the second semester.

How this S2 grade will impact cumulative GPA or fall co-curricular eligibility has yet to be decided.

We continue to plan for the end of the school year. We will communicate when the details have been decided.

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