

West Essex Regional School District Board of Education Meeting

January 25, 2021



Reports

- Board President
- Superintendent
- Director of Curriculum
- Principals

Superintendent's Report

Damion Macioci

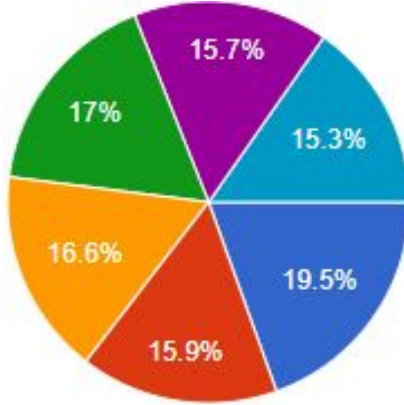
- Weekly COVID-19 Activity Report - January 16
- NJDOE/CDC - 6 Feet Social Distancing
- Reopening Task Force - Committees
- Stakeholder Surveys - January 8-11
- Marking Period 3 Questionnaire - January 13
- Analyze data and realign cohorts - January 22-24
- Building Operations/Distance Learning Committee - January 25
- Present cohorts to Board of Education - January 25
- Principals - publish cohorts and February calendar - January 26-27

Director of Curriculum & Instruction Report

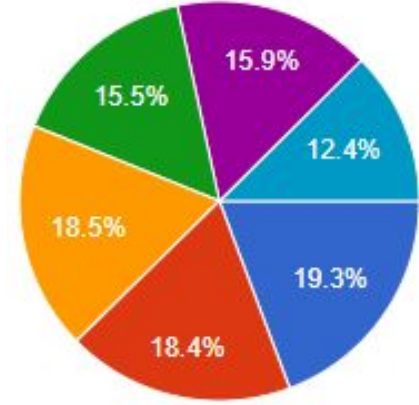
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IN-PERSON/REMOTE LEARNING SURVEY (Jan. 2021)

STUDENTS
948 Responses



PARENTS
1110 Responses

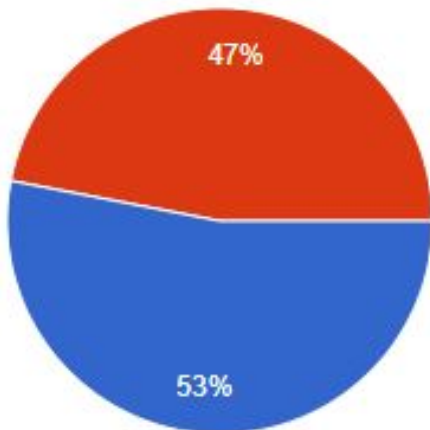


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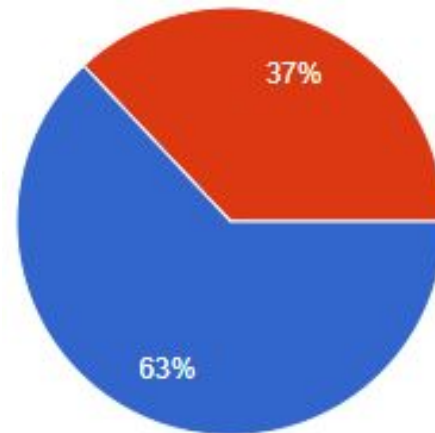
MP2 ATTENDANCE STATUS

STUDENTS



● Part of an in-person cohort
● Full-Time Remote

PARENTS

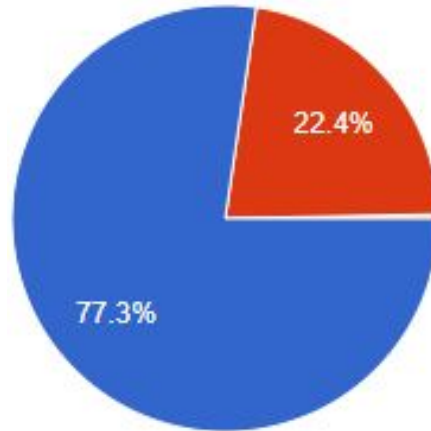


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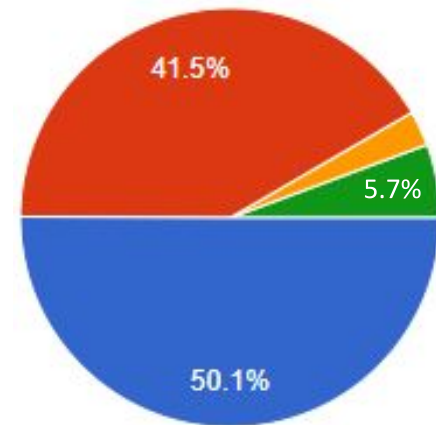
AMOUNT OF SCREEN-TIME

STUDENTS



- Too much
- Appropriate for online learning
- Not enough
- Not Sure

PARENTS

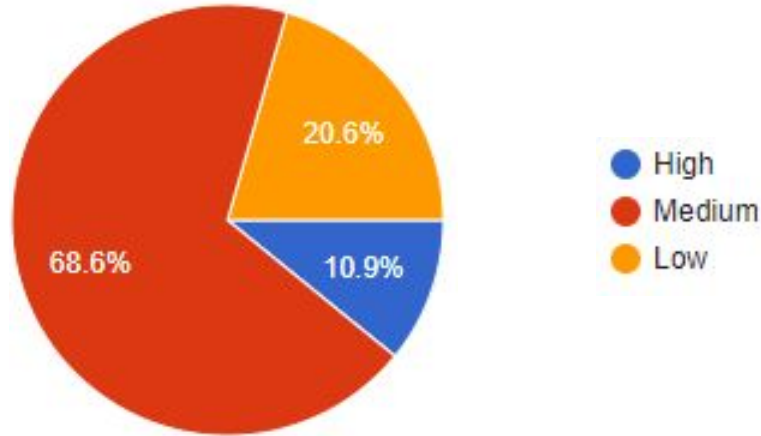


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LEVEL OF ENGAGEMENT

STUDENTS

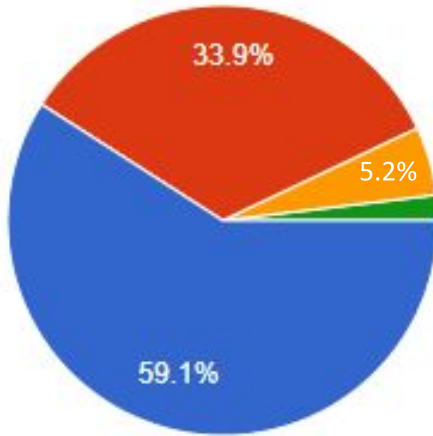


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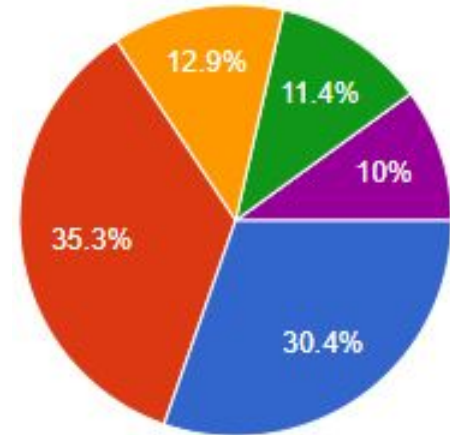
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“ALL CLASSES MEET WEDNESDAYS” FOR SUPPORT/ENRICHMENT

STUDENTS



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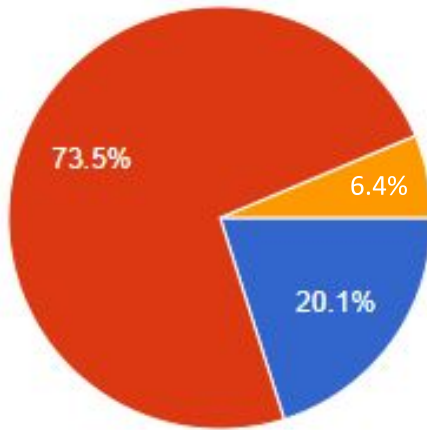


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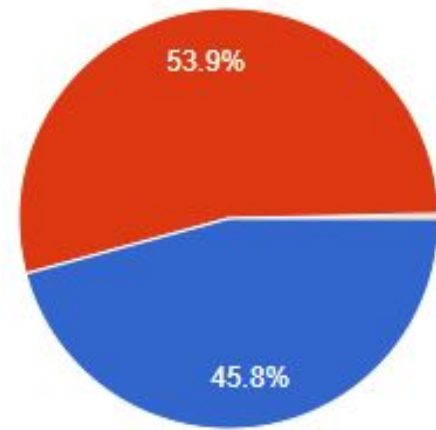
88-MIN LUNCH BLOCK

STUDENTS



- Too Long
- Appropriate
- Too Short

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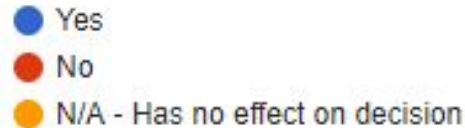
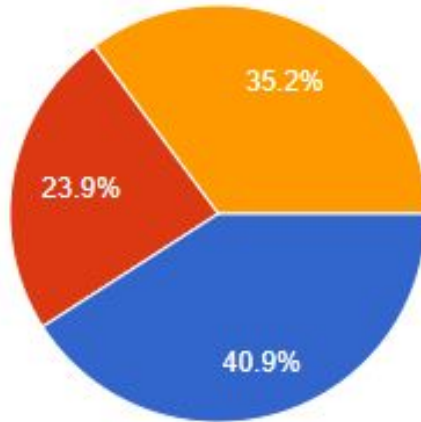


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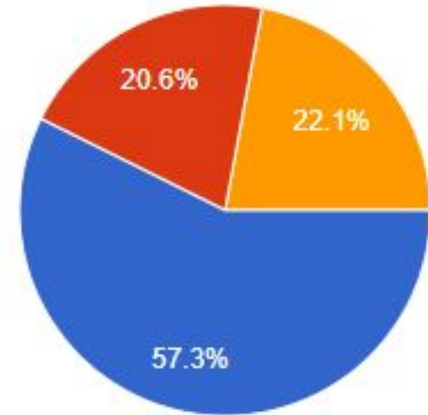
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MORE LIKELY TO ATTEND IN-PERSON IF MORE STUDENTS WERE PRESENT

STUDENTS



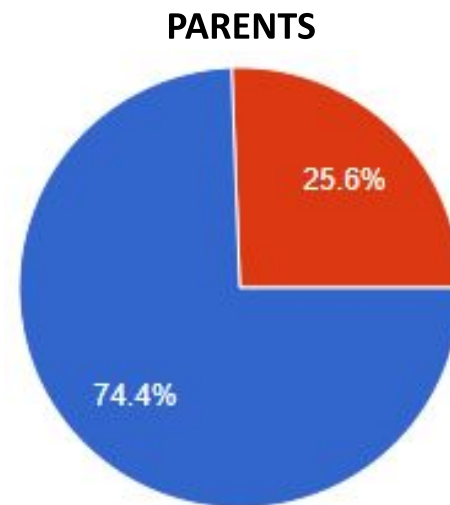
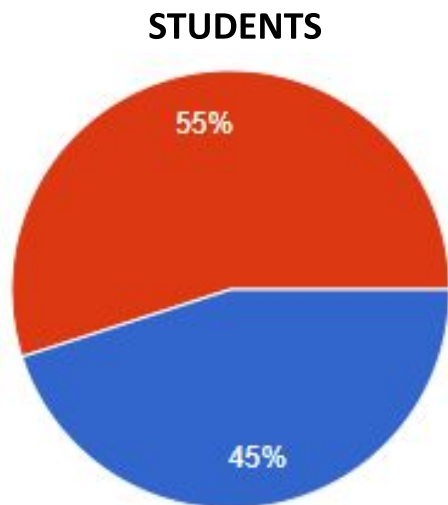
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PREFER TO ATTEND IN-PERSON MORE OFTEN



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Based on data and committee discussions...

- The bell schedule will remain as is.
- “All Classes Meet Wednesdays” will continue to be virtual and dedicated to support/enrichment.
- Screen-time will continue to be addressed within the classroom through various forms of instructional activities.

Adjustments to curriculum and instruction are continuous.

Principal's Report

Gina Donlevie

Cohort Logistics

- Educating the Whole Child
 - Academic
 - Social
 - Emotional
- Genesis Algorithm
 - Balance Class Sizes

WEMS MP3 Questionnaire

Gina Donlevie

Marking Period 3	Number	Percentage
Full-Time Remote	219	39%
In-Person	341	61%
Total	560	100%

During Marking Period 1-2, the **3-cohort model equated to 185 students per day.**
During Marking Period 3, our **2-cohort model will equate to 171 students per day.**

WEMS 2-Cohort Model

Gina Donlevie

Key Facts

- Marking Period 3 (Monday, February 1)
- Orange & Purple Cohorts
- Cohorts Alternate Days
- Cohorts Attend In-Person 2 Days/Week
- All Classes Meet Virtual Wednesdays Continue
- CDC Guidelines, 6 Feet Social Distancing Maintained
- Official Cohorts Coming Soon

WEMS Sample Calendar (MP3)

February 2021				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 D Orange	2 A Purple	3 All Classes Meet No Cohorts	4 B Orange	5 C Purple
8 D Orange	9 A Purple	10 All Classes Meet No Cohorts	11 B Orange	12 C Purple No Block 6

Principal Report

Caesar Diliberto

Proposal for ONE COHORT

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Questionnaire Responses

512 out of 1071 students chose in-person instruction

48% of total student population

REAL Attendance Numbers for week of January 19 to January 22

Tuesday, January 19 - 100 students

Wednesday, January 20 - 79 students

Thursday, January 21 - 101 students

Friday, January 22 - 93 students

Total number of individual students who attended in-person
January 19 through January 22

271 students - 25% of total student population

Facility Capacity

- Vast majority of rooms currently hold 10 students with 6' social distancing. NO ADDITIONAL DESKS WILL BE ADDED AT THE TIME.
- Rooms 200, 202, 318, 502, 515 & 805 hold fewer students.
- Classes in room 318 and 502 may require relocation (several options)

Single Cohort Logistical Changes

- All music classes go to the auditorium. 101 and 105 remain mostly open and unused.
- All study halls are combined and moved to Red Cafeteria.
- Library and Black Cafeteria are designated satellite rooms to hold overage from rooms exceeding maximum capacity.
 - Library - English, Social Studies, World Language (30 desks, 7 tables. Library remains open as alternate faculty work space.
 - Black Cafeteria - Math, Business, Science (40 desks)
 - Possibility of art satellite room in 100s for access to supplies
- Satellite rooms will be cleaned and disinfected between periods.

Single Cohort Logistical Changes

- IF classes exceed maximum capacity teachers will send students to the appropriate satellite room.
- Teachers will rotate which students report to satellite rooms.
- PE / Health classes are not included in overage numbers.

Satellite Rooms

- 106 class sections out of 638 total class sections have slight overages. 16%.
- Some students will never go. On average a student may go once a week. No students will go more than once a day.
- **Example:** At full attendance daily, a class of 12 would send 2 students to the satellite room each day. The same students would rotate back to satellite every 6 days.
- Satellite rooms will have a quiet study hall environment. Students will Zoom in with headphones and participate as they would from home.

Overage Breakout by Period

Period	From Humanities	From Science & Math	From Fine & Practical Arts	Total Overage	Study Hall # of Students
1	20	12	1	33	23
2	11	18	4	33	28
3	9	19	0	28	23
4	14	20	0	34	16
5	23	11	0	36	42
6	14	8	0	22	21
7	27	11	1	39	18
8	25	21	2	48	27

Transportation Considerations with Increased Attendance

- Siblings must sit together on the bus
- All eligible seniors are able to drive and park on campus (partner program remains temporarily suspended)

PLEASE send your child if you have
chosen in-person instruction.