



# West Jordan Middle School 2020-21

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Disclosure

Welcome to 8<sup>th</sup> grade at West Jordan Middle School! This disclosure will help inform you of important expectations and policies that you will find in all of your 8th-grade classes. You will also receive information about specific class requirements and policies from your individual teachers.

### COVID GUIDELINES

- If a student lives with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, the student ***must*** quarantine and notify WJMS immediately per Department of Health guidelines.
- Obey floor signs and safety precautions assigned by teachers and administrators.
- Students must use hand sanitizer before entering each classroom.
- Students must wear a mask/face covering that covers your mouth and nose at all times in the classroom and the hallways.
  - Exception: you may take quick drinks from your water bottle.
  - If you need to blow your nose, raise your hand and ask to use a tissue. At that time you'll be excused to step outside the classroom door. You must use sanitizer upon re-entering the room.
- Students will put backpacks under their tables/desks or chairs to keep the aisles clear and safe.
- Students will stay at their assigned seats unless they have permission to move to another area of the classroom.
- Report COVID symptoms to your teacher immediately:
  - Fever or chills
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Fatigue
  - Muscle or body aches
  - Headache
  - New loss of taste or smell
  - Sore throat
  - Congestion or runny nose
  - Nausea or vomiting
  - Diarrhea
- If a student leaves their Chromebook at home (or it is not charged), they are to visit the library before school to pick one up for the day to complete the work.

### EXPECTATIONS

All of our class expectations follow West Jordan Middle School's expectations: ***respect for ourselves and others; the responsibility to do what is right; and safety in all places and at all times.*** This means that in all classrooms...

#### RESPECT:

- Students will treat everyone and their personal belongings and boundaries appropriately.
- Students will speak and listen to others and display the respect all deserve.
- Students will use appropriate language.
- Students will respect others ***and yourself.***

#### RESPONSIBILITY:

- Students will be on time and in your seat ***when the bell rings.***
- Students will have a pencil or pen, notebook, and any other materials that are needed to succeed.
- Students are engaged in the assigned classwork, working well with classmates, and in completing the required assignments.

## SAFETY:

- Students can keep the classroom, hallways, restrooms, and the cafeteria clean by picking up after yourself.
- Students will only bring water from clear water bottles into the classrooms.
- Students will keep their hands, feet, and words from distracting and harming others (i.e. avoiding gossip and bullying).

## CITIZENSHIP

In addition to a student's academic grade, they will earn a citizenship grade in each class.

### Action Statements:

#### Respect

- I treat myself, others, personal belongings, and school property appropriately.
- I actively listen when others are speaking and clearly communicate my own ideas.
- I contribute to a positive atmosphere.

#### Responsibility

- I am on time and ready to work when the bell rings.
- I participate in class and work well with my classmates.
- I take responsibility for my own success by completing the required assignments.

#### Safety

- I control myself and behave appropriately for the situation that I am in.
- I use positive statements with my words, actions, and tone of voice.
- I use class materials, objects, and equipment safely and return them when finished.

Proficiency Ratings	
4	I do these all of the time.
3	I do these most of the time.
2	I do these some of the time.
1	I do not do these.
<b>Citizenship Grades</b> 4 = <b>H</b> Honorable 3 = <b>S</b> Satisfactory 2 = <b>N</b> Needs Improvement 1 = <b>U</b> Unsatisfactory	

## STANDARD-REFERENCED GRADING:

Grades will be weighted in either a **practice category (20% of the total grade)** or an **assessment category (worth 80% of the total grade)**. Standards Referenced Grading is found within all classrooms and will measure your proficiency within curriculum standards. You will earn a 1-4 rating. *You will only receive a 0 if you don't attempt the assessment or practice assignment.*

4 = Advanced	3 = Proficient (meets standard)	2 = Approaching	1 = Beginning
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## ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Students are expected to demonstrate academic integrity by performing to the best of your academic abilities and by being honest in all your schoolwork. If a student copies another student's work, share their work with another student to copy, or in any way try to take credit for work they didn't do (plagiarism), students may receive a zero or be required to re-do the assignment.

## ABSENT WORK

Students are responsible for completing missed work when they are not in class. Talk to your teacher for specific information about make-up work.

## LATE WORK

Before a student can retake or revise an assessment, they must complete the practice work/assignments for that specific assessment.

## **ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

Electronic devices can be helpful or a distraction. For this reason, the rules for use may differ from class to class. Be sure to follow the rules posted in each of your classes and respect your teachers' guidelines at all times to avoid consequences.

## **WJMS POLICIES**

School policies and expectations are listed on the school website, [www.westjordanmiddle.org](http://www.westjordanmiddle.org). You should familiarize yourself with these policies since we will follow all of them.

## **SUPPLIES NEEDED**

To be successful at WJMS, students need to be prepared every day. This means students should always bring the following items to class: pencils, pens, papers, something to keep papers in (binder, folder, etc.), and a book to read.

## **BACKPACK EXPECTATIONS**

To minimize students gathering together in close proximity, students will be taking their backpacks with them to each of their classes. It is the expectation for each student to keep their backpacks directly under their chairs during the class period. It is important for backpacks to be kept under the chair for the entire period to allow for class aisles to be free from obstacles and obstruction.

## **CHROMEBOOK EXPECTATIONS**

Students are expected to bring their charged Chromebooks with them to each class every day and to keep their Chromebook sanitized. Students are to only use their Chromebook for activities approved by the teacher. For sanitization purposes, Chromebooks are to be only used by the owner and not shared with other peers. Chromebook chargers are to be kept inside students' backpacks throughout the school day.

## **HALLWAY PROCEDURES**

Students are to keep on the right side of travel within the school. There will be signs that show the direction of student travel as students move between classrooms. Students are to avoid gathering in large groups including in the center of the common areas of the classroom pod areas.

## **HALL PASSES**

If students need to use the hall pass, teachers will provide each student with their own individual paper hall pass. Students are expected to have their hall passes with them if they are outside the classroom.

## **RESTROOM SCHEDULING**

To support the COVID-19 directives, each 95 minute class period will have a scheduled restroom break. In addition to this scheduled bathroom break, students will be given permission on a case by case basis.


## **EXITING THE SCHOOL**

At the end of the school day, students will follow a designated schedule of exiting the school building. This is to encourage social distancing and to avoid gathering in large groups. Teachers will guide their respective classes out of the school building at the end of the day. If students are participating in after-school activities, the students will need to go to the main entrance to check back in for their after-school activities.

## **HEALTH**

Before entering each of their 8th-grade classrooms, each student will be expected to use hand sanitizer from one of the classroom-provided hand sanitizer pumps.

Administrator Approval:

 Date 8-24-2020

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Disclosure Statement Agreement

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Student

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I have read and reviewed the 8th-grade disclosure with my parent/guardian. I understand school expectations and policies, and I agree to follow them.

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Student Name (please print)

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian

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As a parent/guardian, I have read and reviewed the 8th-grade disclosure with my student. I understand school expectations and policies, and I agree to follow them.

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Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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