



# WESTFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

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***Westfield High School announces recommendations to maintain the highest possible school safety standards and adequately secure the Westfield High School building and grounds before- and after-school***

April 17, 2015 – Westfield, MA – Today Westfield High School announced recommendations that will support efforts by the administration, district and Westfield Police Department to continue to maintain the highest possible school safety standards and adequately secure the Westfield High School building and grounds before 7:15AM and after 2:00PM.

Mr. Jonathan Carter, Westfield High School principal, states, “The safety of our students, faculty, staff, and visitors is the highest priority of the Westfield Public Schools. As such, in collaboration with the district and Westfield Police Department, Westfield High School faculty and staff are constantly analyzing our efforts to maintain a safe and secure campus. And in light of recent events at other Commonwealth high schools in places like Danvers, Milton, and most recently Brockton, we’ve recently completed an analysis of our before- and after-school building security protocols. We are pleased to begin implementing these recommendations starting on the Monday after April Break.”

**Effective Monday, April 27, 2015:**

- **All students, faculty, and staff must carry a WHS-issued ID card at all times and present the ID upon request.**
- **The Student / Visitor Entrance (front-doors) will be unlocked at 6:45 AM and locked again at 7:23AM.**
  - Students will be denied entry into Westfield High School prior to 6:45AM, so please plan rides and drop-offs accordingly.
  - All students who drive to school are required to park in the Front Parking Lot.
- **All students arriving to school through the Student / Visitor Entrance must report to the Cafeteria until 7:00AM.**
  - Doors to the Academic Floors will open at 7:00AM.
  - Students will be allowed onto the Academic Floors prior to 7:00AM with a previously-signed pass only.
- **After 7:23AM all tardy students and visitors must enter the building through the far-right door of the Student / Visitor Entrance (front-doors) by ringing the buzzer and stating their name and business at Westfield High School.**
  - Upon entry, all tardy students and visitors must report to the Main Office.
  - All tardy students must present a WHS-issued ID to obtain a pass to class.
  - All visitors must obtain a Visitor ID and be accompanied when traveling throughout the building during the school day.
  - Visitors will be denied entry to WHS prior to 7:00AM and after 3:30PM.
  - The Main Office is open to students and visitors from 7:00AM to 3:30PM.
- **WHS now runs a “late bus” departing daily at 3:35PM from the Student / Visitor Entrance.**
  - The late bus makes stops at each WPS elementary school.
- **Students must exit the Academic Floors by 3:30PM.**
  - Students are permitted and strongly encouraged to meet with a teacher during an Office Hour or meet with a Faculty Advisor as part of a WHS-sponsored Activity or Club until 3:30PM.
    - All students must sign the teacher or faculty advisor sign-in / sign-out log.
    - At sign-out, students must state when and how and they are getting home.
    - At 3:30PM all students must exit the Academic Floors, so please plan rides and pick-ups accordingly.
  - At 3:25PM WHS Administration will make a PA announcement closing down the Academic Floors of the building; a security sweep of all three (3) academic floors will be conducted at that time.
  - At 3:30PM, all 1<sup>st</sup>-floor fire doors will be locked.
    - Students leaving the academic floors must await transportation in the lobby of the Student / Visitor Entrance (front-doors).
- **Under no circumstances will any student or visitor be permitted to enter the Academic Floors after 3:30PM.**

**About Westfield High School:**

Westfield High School serves 1,372 students and employs 110 teachers, 35 support staff, 33 paraprofessionals, and 6 administrators in beautiful Westfield, MA, a vibrant city of about 40,000 people nestled into the foothills of the Berkshire Mountains in the Pioneer Valley of Western Massachusetts.

**Core Values and Beliefs:** The success of our global, national, and local community requires ALL schools to educate ALL students; The success of each school requires effective leadership, quality educators, access to 21st-century educational programs and tools, and meaningful partnerships between school, home, and community; The success of each student requires that each one is college- and/or career-ready with necessary 21st century competencies and skills.

**Vision Statement:** Westfield High School will strive to become the premier high school in Massachusetts at which to work and learn, and our graduates will be prepared with essential 21st century academic, social, civic, and technological competencies and skills to achieve success in college, career, and our local, national, and global community.

**Mission Statement:** Westfield High School educates and prepares all students for 21st-century readiness in college, career, and our community, and provides educators with essential resources, quality professional development, and autonomy to innovate.

**Learning Expectations** (each graduate will be able to...):

- Demonstrate required 21st century core academic competencies and effective communication skills, including the ability to think critically, and read, write, and communicate effectively (Academic Expectations).
- Participate in a healthy and productive lifestyle, exhibit character and tolerance when facing new or challenging situations, and demonstrate a strong and balanced work ethic (Social Expectations).
- Participate in the local, national, and global society as an informed citizen who follows through with decisions that have a positive effect on individuals, families, and communities (Civic Expectations).
- Use technology and information appropriately, respectfully, and responsibly, act as an informed consumer of data, and take steps to protect one's own digital identity and reputation (Technological Expectations).

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