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Winder-Barrow High School Students, Families, and Community,

On behalf of the faculty and staff of W-BHS, we would like to welcome you back to what we feel will be an amazing 2017-2018 school year. As a united "GG" team, we commit to the following:

1. We believe that every student can grow academically, socially, and emotionally from the first day they walk into W-BHS until the day they graduate.
2. Positive contact in some form will be made by the end of August (Semester 1) and by the end of January (Semester 2) from each of your student's teachers.
3. Teacher websites will be updated with classroom expectations and current units of study.
4. Our W-BHS web site and other social media outlets will stay updated with current information.
5. Friendly interaction from every person in our building.

If we are not meeting your expectations, please let us know, as your student's education and wellbeing are the most important reasons we are educators.

Our faculty, staff, and administration are proud of the culture of learning and collaboration that has been built over time, and we continue to focus on student success and attainment of a high school diploma. One of the main ways we have created our culture is through partnerships between students, teachers, parents, and other stakeholders. Given these strong bonds, we ask for your help in addressing the ever-present concerns over social media. We are firmly committed to a warm, welcoming environment at WBHS, and **will not allow problems generated over social media outlets to affect our mission of educating and caring for every student**. In addition, we ask for your support in the following areas:

1. Attending school each day is a vital part of your child's success. Our goal for your child is to have 3 or fewer absences a semester.
2. **All students arriving to school before 7:00 AM are to report to the cafeteria.**
3. All students not with a teacher or a coach after school must exit the building. Due to liability purposes, W-BHS cannot be responsible for unsupervised students after school. Please have your student ride the bus home or get picked up immediately after school.
4. All students are to be in class before the bell rings to avoid being tardy. Our tardy policy is located in the student agenda posted on our website.
5. We encourage the purchase and use of lockers in the hallways and locker rooms. Personal lockers will help ensure the safety of your child's belongings resulting in NO stolen cell phones or cash. PE lockers can be purchased for the semester for small cost.
6. Please follow the dress code outlined in the student agenda. If students are not dressed appropriately, they will need to correct the problem or complete the remainder of the day in ISS.

7. In order for your child to be checked out of school, the guardian checking him/her out must be listed in Infinite Campus and must have proper photo identification. **All checkouts must happen prior to 2:15.** No one will be allowed to be checked out after this time. Please avoid checking out during December and May as much as possible, as we are testing.

8. W-BHS is a **Bring Your Own Technology Campus (BYOT)**. It is up to teacher discretion as to their

At W-BHS our goal is to have a safe environment where teaching and learning is the focus. We believe every student is a unique contributor to our environment and we look forward to getting to know our students and families. Collaborating with you will ensure this school year is the best year yet.

Thank you for your continued support and holding us accountable. We the united "GG" team are committed to concentrating on student success while preparing our students for the future.

Sincerely,

Winder-Barrow High School Faculty and Staff