

**TO: WISD parents-guardians-students**  
**FROM: Staff and Administration**  
**RE: ALTERNATIVE LEARNING PLAN (week 11)**  
**DATE: May 25, 2020**

## “Endurance is patience.

It is shortening your time horizon so you just have to get through this day. Endurance is living with unpleasantness.

In fact, it is finding you can adapt and turn the strangest circumstances into routine. Endurance is fortifying.

It is discovering you can get socked in the nose and take it.

**Above all, endurance is living with uncertainty. Sometimes it’s remaining quiet in the face of uncertainty, because no conjecture will really tell you what is coming.**

Endurance is the knowledge that the only way out, is through, and whatever must be borne, will be borne.”

-David Brooks in “The People Are Leading the Leaders” in The New York Times, May 15, 2020

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Under the guidance of their advisor, Ms. Welke, the WISD Student Council appreciates the community’s desire to keep the island clean. There are also keenly aware of the importance of remaining socially distant during this time. With that, the 202 Island Clean-Up will look different than past years.

Students are NOT encouraged to gather, but to engage in cleaning up a piece of the island alone, or only with family members. Suggestions include: cleaning along the roads near your house, cleaning your yard, picking up trash when on a walk, or out in the community. Beautification is limitless.

Here are the guidelines:

- Stay socially distant.
- Take a picture of the student with the bag of trash collected.
- Briefly describe the area the student chose to clean-up.
- Send the picture, and description to the Student Council Advisor; [Michele.Welke@island.k12.wi.us](mailto:Michele.Welke@island.k12.wi.us) by June 3rd.
- The cleanup event begins on May 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Every Washington Island student who meets this June 3rd deadline will receive a treat courtesy of WISD Student Council.

The United Way of Door County emailed the WISD an updated information page that is posted on our school district webpage with the detailed information. This is also the link to that information: <https://conta.cc/3ghPwZo>. We have also summarized their new programs for those in need:

1. New Rental Assistance Program for Door County Residents Struggling Financially During Health Crisis
2. New Food Pantry Coalition Launched to Fill the Gap Left by End of the Community Meals Program
3. Need help, don't know where to turn? Call United Way's 2-1-1 helpline 24/7 with questions or concerns about COVID-19.
4. The United Way has updated our website to include current information on resources and services available during this time. [Please use the link to go directly to the COVID 19 page. This resource is organized by category. The links take you to spreadsheets that we will continue to update: COVID 19 RESOURCES](#)

The Door-Kewaunee Retired Educators' Association has generously donated to the WI Food Pantry. Mr. Jesse Harness, President, has asked that we attach a brochure about the Door-Kewaunee Retired Educators' Association in the event you wish to refer to it in acknowledgement of its donations toward your community food programs. We have placed this brochure on the district website. Be sure to check it out. We are appreciative of their donation, and their remembrance of the WISD students and families, as well as teaching staff.

The elementary and middle school students are completing their Star reading and math assessments for the school year, this week. Notice of this was emailed to families and students. We applaud the hard work and diligence that the students provided during this progress monitoring time. The high school students are finishing up their coursework this week, for their classes. They will begin to close out their school year with final exams next week. Please, help us to support them in these final endeavors. Their hard work will help them to move ahead with the goal of graduation, as they garner their high school credits.

Thank you for your patience, your time and your commitment to the continued education of the WISD students, and the staff that works to support them as well. Together, we are stronger!