



## WINCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT QUICK GUIDE

**Q. Will we return to school at the same date? Will there be different hours I will be at school?**

A. The school year will begin as scheduled on September 3<sup>rd</sup> and there will be no change to the hours.

**Q. What can I expect when I return to school?**

A. Construction activities will be in full swing and will be isolated to the auditorium area and a portion of the existing library. The parking lot between the tracks and the school as well as a portion of the front entrance drive will also be within the construction zone.

**Q. How will I know where the construction zone is?**

A. On the interior of the building the construction zone will be separated from the school by walls. On the exterior of the building a chain link fence will delineate where the construction zone is and signs will be in place.

**Q. Will I be allowed to be in the construction area at any time?**

A. No, walls on the interior and fences on the exterior will separate the school and construction areas. Keeping you safe is of the highest importance so because of this students will not be allowed to be in the construction zone.

**Q. How will I know what is going on in the construction zone?**

A. The project website ([www.winchesterhsproject.com](http://www.winchesterhsproject.com)) will be updated throughout the year with progress updates as well as photos to keep the students up to the minute on progress.



**Q. Will the construction be noisy? How will I be able to focus?**

A. Minimizing disruption is a top goal of the project. Interior walls are being designed to limit the amount of noise that can come through. With these in place you should not have any issues focusing on your important schoolwork. However, should you have any concerns in regards to noise you should contact the WHS Principal or staff.

**Q. Will I enter the school at the same location I always have?**

A. The front (main) entrance will be moved. For the 2014-2015 school year the main entrance will be the entryway between A and B wings. There will be plenty of signage guiding you to this new entrance. There will also be (3) entrances at the back of the building.

**Q. If I take the bus where will I be dropped off?**

A. You will still be dropped off at the front of the school.

**Q. If I walk will there be any changes?**

A. The only difference will be that you will not be able to cut through the parking lot adjacent to the train tracks.

**Q. If I ride a bike will there be any place for me to lock it?**

A. Yes, bike racks will be provided close to the entrance of the school.

**Q. If I get dropped off will my parents go to the same location?**

A. Yes, parent drop off will be at the front entrance drive. There are some traffic flow changes, please see attached map.



**Q. If I drive will I be able to park in the same location?**

A. Student parking will be relocated to the parking lot adjacent to Skillings Field (across from Stop and Shop) as well as a new parking lot located on Skillings Field just beyond the baseball field. To get from the student parking lots to the high school you can either take the walkway through the tunnel to the back side of the building or along Skillings Rd to enter through the new front entrance. Again signage will guide you in each direction.

**Q. Will there be the same amount of student parking?**

A. There will be the same amount of parking as last year. The only change will be that parking passes will be issued by the Student Resource Officer.

**Q. Can I parking in the neighborhood behind the High School?**

A. No, students will not be allowed to park in the neighborhood behind the High School.

**Q. If I have any questions/comments/concerns who can I talk to?**

A. You can obviously always speak with the Principal or staff. There is also a questions/comments email set up – [winchesterhsquestions@gmail.com](mailto:winchesterhsquestions@gmail.com).

This is an exciting time at Winchester High School and know that there are many workers on the other side of the wall working hard to bring you a brand new High School!