important athletic information

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| to: | parents/guardians |
| from: | kathleen howard – athletic director, Matt Pascale – Director of physical education/assistant principal  |
| subject: | after school procedures/weight room policy  |
| date: | September 5, 2018 |
| CC: | district and building administration  |

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! Please carefully read the information below regarding after school procedures for students interested in watching the Webutuck Warriors play home contests as well as students interested in using the district weight room. The Department of Athletics and building administration at both EBIS and WHS strongly encourage our students to display school spirit and engage in physical fitness training. As both of these options are offered after the school day please take a moment and read the procedures below. Please note: there will not be an afternoon study hall for athletes this year. With the change to a one bell schedule, students will be dismissed at 2:43PM and practices will start promptly at 3:00 PM.

#1) All students in grades 7-12 interested in attending an after school athletic contest are responsible for communicating to their parents/guardians the intent to stay on campus after the school day ends. There will be a mandatory study hall in a designated room that students must attend. A sign up sheet will be placed outside the athletic secretary’s office and students must sign up prior to the end of seventh period to be eligible to stay for the study hall. The study hall will run from 3:00 – 3:45 PM. At 3:45PM, students will be released to the field, gym, or track where the contest will be held. There are chaperones in place at all home contests. Students will be supervised by several members of the Webutuck staff from 3:45PM until the end of the game. When the contest ends, all students are to leave campus and have arranged for transportation.

#2) All students in grades 7-12 interested in using the school weight room must also sign up with the athletic secretary prior to the end of seventh period on days when the facility will be open. Again, students are responsible for communicating to their parents/guardians the intent to stay on campus after the school day ends. Students who do not sign up prior to the end of seventh period will not be permitted to enter the weight room and will be asked to contact home immediately. The weight room will be carefully supervised. All students must sign in when the weight room opens at 3:00PM with the weight room monitor. Students may leave prior to the closing of the weight room, however, as with athletic events, transportation must be arranged ahead of time. Students who stay after may utilize district busing in the event personal transportation is not an option.

As we navigate our way through another calendar year it is in our highest interest to keep students safe, respectful, and responsible. After school hours and activities often times present logistical challenges with supervision and communication. Please make every effort to have a conversation with your child/children regarding this information. As both of these items are a privilege and not a right, it is the responsibility of the student to make appropriate plans with home to avoid miscommunication. Personal responsibility is an essential building block in learning as we ask for your support with the district in this endeavor. Please feel free to call the Department of Athletics with any questions or comments.