



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023

MASON MINUTE

Weekly District News



First Week Schedule

Welcome back students! Please remember that tomorrow, **Thursday, August 24, and Friday, August 25, are full school days for all students.**

Skyward Updates and Family Communication

Stay connected this school year! All families should log into their Skyward accounts to ensure parent/guardian contact information is up to date and correct. The [Skylert](#) system is used to share school closing, building-specific information and other district messages with families.

Chain of Communication

In the event families need to contact MPS administrators regarding student issues, please consult the [Chain of Communication](#) flow chart for the process that will be adhered to by staff and administrators when addressing school issues. This chart does not represent an appeals process.

Before and After School Job Opportunities!

Join our team! Looking for a part-time job? MPS is hiring Before and After School Aides! Hours are 7-8:30 a.m. (Wednesdays 7- 9:30 a.m.) and afternoons from 3:30-6 p.m.

Interested individuals can complete a [short online application](#) for these positions, additional job opportunities at MPS can be viewed on the [employment website](#).

Meals at School

MPS is excited to offer free breakfast and lunch to all students this year thanks to the Michigan Healthy School Meals Program!

Even though meals will be provided for free, it is important for families to continue sharing household income information in order for our schools to receive full access to federal and state funding for educational programs.

Please take a moment to complete the [form](#) which collects information needed to ensure MPS receives state and federal funding. In addition, based on the information you provide on your School Meals and Summer EBT Application, your student may qualify for other programs including:

- Summer EBT
- Pay to Play or Pay to Participate assistance
- Programs that provide food support
- Programs that provide field trip support
- Programs that provide school supplies or assist with school fees
- Programs that provide holiday support
- Potential household support for cable and internet

Medication Forms

For the 2023-2024 school year, medications can be dropped off at school by a parent or guardian. Medications must be in their original container with an expiration date; staff are not able to administer expired medication.

If your child has medication needs during the school day, please remember:

- All prescription medication forms need to be completed and signed by the doctor and parent/guardian; this includes self-carry medications. (Examples: EpiPens, inhalers)
- All non-prescription (over the counter) forms need to be completed and signed by the parent/guardian. (Examples: pain relievers such as Tylenol or Motrin, Benadryl and sunscreen)

Forms can be picked up in person or are available [online](#). For questions, please contact District Nurse [Emily Epling RN](#).



**SCHOOL LUNCH IS
FREE FOR ALL
STUDENTS!**

During the 2023-24 school year, all MPS students can receive free breakfast and lunch at school!



Important Dates

- **Wednesday, August 30- First PLC Late Start Day (all Wednesdays unless otherwise notified)**
- **Friday, September 1- No School**
- **Monday, September 4- No School, Labor Day**