

MPS Spring Break

Families are reminded that spring break is April 2-9, 2021. Students will not have virtual classes on these days. Virtual learning will resume on April 12 and 13. Students in K3-grade 3 who choose to return to schools will begin in-school learning on Wednesday, April 14. Please note that meals are not distributed during spring break.

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MPS Returns to In-Person Learning in April

The Milwaukee Board of School Directors has approved a plan to return most students to in-person learning in April. Families who would like their children to continue learning remotely can remain virtual for the remainder of the school year.

Students will return to classrooms on the following schedule:

- **Wednesday, April 14, 2021:** Students in K3 through grade 3 begin in-person learning (attending Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday this week).
- Monday, April 19, 2021: Students in grades 4 through 8 begin in-person learning
- Monday, April 26, 2021: Students in grade 12 and students who are in danger of failing begin inperson learning. Students in grades 9, 10, and 11 will remain virtual.

Note that all students will learn virtually on Wednesdays beginning April 21.

For more information, visit the Roadmap to Readiness website <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> for additional details. This site can be translated into Arabic, Burmese, Hmong, Somali, and Spanish.

Student Meal Preorders

Important changes are coming to meal distribution! Beginning April 1, new procedures will be in place. *Note that meals are not distributed during spring break, April 2-9, 2021.*

All students who return to in-person learning will receive breakfast and lunch in school on school days. Preorders will now be required for students who remain learning virtually and for students who return to school but need meals on Wednesdays, when school is virtual.

Families will be required to fill out a form at least one week before meals are needed for children age 18 and under. Visit the <u>Meal Preorder Form</u> or <u>download a flyer</u> for more information. **Meals for the week of April 26 must be ordered by Wednesday, April 14.**

Family Engagement Sessions

To help students and families prepare to go back to school, MPS will host informational sessions about preparations and procedures in schools to keep everyone safe and healthy. All sessions are 5:30 – 7:00 P.M. Download a flyer for more information.

- Wednesday, April 14: Parents of 4th–8th grade students
- Wednesday, April 21: Parents of high school students

Parents of K3–3rd grade students can watch the video of the session.

Register using this link: https://bit.ly/2Qzts3L

Families will receive login information after they register.

REMINDER - Return-to-Play Registration

MPS is pleased to share that spring sports—baseball, boys golf and tennis, softball, girls soccer, and boys and girls track and field—will begin in April. Athletic directors will be trained on all safety guidelines. Learn more and read the Return to Play Game Plan on the MPS Athletics web page.

Summer Academy Registration Is Open

Get ready for Summer Academy! Visit mpsmke.com/summeracademy for all the details.

Grades K5-8 can take part in a six-week camp with weekly themes in art, music, math, science, and literacy. Session runs June 22 to July 29 from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Middle and high school students can catch up on credits or get ahead. Two sessions are available: June 7-July 2 and July 6-29 from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

In case you missed it . . .

FoodShare for All MPS Families

All Milwaukee Public Schools children are eligible for FoodShare benefits because the district offers free lunch to all students and has been virtual all school year. Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) funds are available to families of all Wisconsin children who have been learning from home and are eligible for free or reduced lunch. Parents of school-aged children who currently receive FoodShare benefits will have P-EBT benefits added to the existing QUEST card. Families who currently do not receive FoodShare or other state benefits may need to complete a simplified online P-EBT FoodShare application that will be available in April at www.access.wi.gov. We will share the link when it becomes available. Be sure to apply!

Vaccines Available for Ten Milwaukee ZIP Codes

All Milwaukee residents age 16 and older from select ZIP codes are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. Residents of the following ZIP codes can schedule a vaccine now: 53204, 53205, 53206, 53209, 53215, 53216, 53218, 53223, 53224, 53233. Visit the Milwaukee Health Department web site for information and details about scheduling a vaccine.

