Everyone in our school community is valued, safe, treated with kindness and respect, and works together to make our community and world a better place.

As part of the Midland Public Schools’ Inclusion and Diversity initiative, MPS is starting a #keepitkindmps campaign. Among many other things, we know kindness ...

😊 is contagious
😊 inspires generosity and compassion

Stay tuned ... much more to follow on #keepitkindmps
2019 Midland Public Schools Distinguished Service Awards —

Beginning in 2002, the MPS Distinguished Service Awards (DSA) have been presented to non-teaching staff members who go above and beyond in all that they do to make the District a better place for students. As with the Gerstacker Teacher Awards, the Distinguished Service Awards are made possible through the generosity of the Gerstacker Family.

We are proud to announce our 2019 DSA recipients that were revealed at this year’s August 27 Opening Staff Meeting.

(From left to right:)
- Anne McKee, Paraprofessional, Midland High Media Center
- Joan Douglass, Paraprofessional, Jefferson Middle School
- Sue Boydston, Bus Driver, Transportation Department
- Jodi Spears, Paraprofessional, Central Park Elementary

Congratulations, Anne, Joan, Sue and Jodi, our 2019 MPS DSA Recipients!

MPS BUSES ARE BACK!!!

As you have already seen today on our city and country roads, the MPS buses are back out in full force! Our dedicated bus drivers work hard each and every day to get our students to and from school safely. Often with the start of a new school year and the return of the big yellow buses on the roads, drivers find themselves impatient and/or confused about the rules of personal vehicles sharing the road with school buses. Here is a quick, two-minute video just to help us all remember the laws so we can keep our students safe: http://www.seon.com/videos/2019-08a-Back-to-School-PSA.mp4

[Thank you, Safe Fleet, for making this video available for us to share!]

2019 Great Lakes Bay Bot Bash — Saturday, September 7!
The 6th annual FIRST Robotics Great Lakes Bay Bot Bash will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, September 7th at H.H. Dow High School. Come and cheer on the local robotics teams during this fun, high-energy competition. Both Dow and Midland High Schools will be among the robotics teams competing.

Admission is FREE!

Do you know a family looking for a 4-year-old preschool program?
A few seats are still available in our Midland Public Schools’ International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme 4-year-old preschool. This preschool program, located at our recently renovated Pre-Primary Center at Carpenter Street School, offers a child-centered, play-based curriculum that includes the inquiry-based IB PYP foundation used across MPS elementary schools. Call 923-6411 for more information about this high-quality, well-priced tuition preschool.

Looking for this year’s school calendar?
Here is the link: https://www.midlandps.org/Content2/Calendar.
Join our Team

**MPS Current Job Openings**

Click on this link for current job postings:


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Here is the link for **MPS School Lunch Program** Information.
http://chartwellsk12.compass-usa.com/MidlandPublicSchools
A new free/reduced application is required every year!
Here is the link to the on-line application. www.lunchapp.com.

In addition to the job openings above,

**BUS DRIVERS and PARAPROFESSIONALS**
are needed in our
**TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT**
for the 2019-20 School Year!

Interested in working with children? Want the same days off as your child?
**Consider becoming a member of the MPS Transportation Team!**

**Requirements:**
- High school diploma or GED
- Pass criminal background check
- **DRIVERS:** Pass pre-employment drug test, physical/back assessment
- **PARAS:** Pass physical/back assessment & Work Keys

**Additional Details:**
- Flexible schedule
- AM & PM routes available
- No experience required
- Paid training
- Both Regular & Sub Drivers and Paraprofessionals are needed

**Salary:**
- Bus driver: $13.54/hour starting salary … within four years: $17.15/hour
- Paraprofessional/Sub Paraprofessional: $9.45

**Want to know more?**
- Contact MPS Transportation (923-5041) today for info or to apply!

**wise thought to ponder ...**

“Start where you are.
Use what you have.
Do what you can.”

--Arthur Ashe