REvised MPS Pause in Face-to-Face Plan

Based on Governor Whitmer’s news conference last night, below is the only revision for the MPS Pause in F2F learning that we published in Friday’s Special Edition Communiqué.

Here is the link to Friday’s Special Edition Communiqué: https://www.midlandps.org//2020-11-13SECommunique

⇒ The only change to the MPS Pause in F2F Plan is
  Midland High and HH Dow High will begin full remote learning Wednesday, November 18.
  High School students should plan to take their Chromebook, musical instruments and all needed learning materials home with them tomorrow—Tuesday, November 17.

⇒ MPS elementary and middle school F2F students will still begin remote learning Monday, November 23.
  Elementary and Middle School students should plan to take their Chromebook, musical instruments and all needed learning materials home with them Friday, November 20.

Additional info about learning schedules, meal pick-up dates, etc. will come from your child’s school this week.

We realize the hardship and upheaval this “Pause” is causing for MPS families and wish it wasn’t necessary. We are hopeful that with if we can “halt the spread” and with MPS COVID protocols, F2F students can remain in school through June 10!

—all Middle School Families need to complete this form for 2nd semester elective selection.

However, we have had a question from current virtual families about the 1st question in the Learning Request for Second Semester form.

Question 1: To which building will your child return? This question is intended to capture which traditional school your child attends currently—whether they are virtual, hybrid or F2F learners.

Families will make the selection of virtual, hybrid, full F2F later in the form.

Current Elementary/High School virtual families only need to complete this form if they wish to attend some of all F2F courses 2nd semester.

Link to document with form for those considering moving your child from virtual to F2F learning:

https://www.midlandps.org/Return-to-F2F-Key-things-to-know

The Window to Move to F2F Closes Monday, November 23.

The window is now open for MPS virtual/hybrid families whose child is in the Virtual/Hybrid Learning model who wish to have their child move to Face-to-Face Learning for 2nd Semester.

Interested in having your child move from Virtual/Hybrid Learning to full Face-to-Face (F2F) Learning in their home school for 2nd Semester?

MPSConnect is a convenient communications tool for you to connect with me. Every message comes to my desktop. Either I or another MPS staff member will do all we can to reply to your message within the next work day.

https://www.midlandps.org/content2/706

— Michael E. Sharrow, Superintendent
On Veterans Day last week, students in Midland High government class wrote thank you letters to local Veterans in our community thanking them for their service. Even though MHS was unable to host their annual Veterans Day Celebration, the students and staff still wanted to commemorate Veterans Day while following Covid rules.

Thank you to all those who serve or have served!

Congrats November 2020 MPS Shining Stars!

We are proud to announce the November 2020 Midland PS Shining Stars. These monthly awards go to MPS team members who go above and beyond to make MPS a great place for students.

 Jamie Haruska, Special Education Teacher, HH Dow High

 Kim Crump, Sign Language Interpreter, Siebert Elementary

Ms. Haruska and Ms. Crump will be recognized at tonight’s Board of Ed meeting. Join us in congratulating and thanking them for all they do each and every day for MPS students

SHINING STARS … Have you seen or heard reports from your child of an MPS staff member who goes above and beyond to make MPS a better place for students? If you would like to nominate a deserving MPS team member, please complete and submit the Shining Star nomination form.

Here is the link: https://www.midlandps.org/Content2/shining-star-nomination-form

Midland PS Points of Pride

Congratulations to Lorin Gerstheimer, 7th Grade student at Jefferson Middle School, who has been selected as a Cultural Awareness Coalition Creativity Contest winner. An email from Alysia Christy Director of Community Impact at the Midland Area Community Foundation, to winner, Lorin Gerstheimer, stated, “Thank you for submitting such a beautiful piece of artwork to the contest to represent the contest theme of “Sharing Engagement in our Communities Across Generations” through the portrayal of the Black Lives Matter movement.” Congratulations, Lorin. We are proud of you!

DAILY COVID UPDATES

MPS Covid-19 Update: Here is the link to the daily update from the Midland County Health Department: https://www.midlandps.org/News/mps-covid-19-update

Midland County COVID-19 Dashboard: https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/abfabc94f3a74363b7ad28a763d4d2b6/


The Midland County Department of Public Health asked MPS to share this document with you ...

Procedures for when to Quarantine

https://www.midlandps.org/docs/district/depts/24/QuarantineProcedures-InfoForFamilies_1.pdf

Food Service during Remote Learning & Extended Breaks:

**Thanksgiving week**

- **Saturday, 11/21** meal pick-up at CPE and MHS (9:00-11:00 a.m.) for all MPS students (3 days of meals provided)
- **Tuesday, 11/24** meal pick-up at all elementary buildings (11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.) for all MPS students (5 days of meals provided)
- **Saturday, 11/28** meal pick-up at CPE and MHS (9:00-11:00 a.m.) for all MPS students (2 days of meals provided)

**Winter break**

- **Saturday, 12/19** meal pick-up at CPE and MHS (9:00-11:00 a.m.) for all MPS students (3 days of meals provided)
- **Tuesday, 12/22** meal pick-up at all elementary buildings (11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.) for all MPS students (5 days of meals provided)
- **Saturday, 12/26** meal pick-up at CPE and MHS (9:00-11:00 a.m.) for all MPS students (3 days of meals provided)
- **Tuesday, 12/29** meal pick-up at all elementary buildings (11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.) for all MPS students (5 days of meals provided)
- **Saturday, 1/2/21** meal pick-up at CPE and MHS (9:00-11:00 a.m.) for all MPS students (2 days of meals provided)

Thank you MPS Chartwells Team!
JOIN OUR MPS TEAM — Current Open Positions

MPS Employment Opportunities Link:
https://www.midlandps.org/Content/Employment%20Opportunities

**MPS District Vision**
Lead with respect, trust and courage.
Ensure an equitable, collaborative and inclusive culture.
Enable all to achieve success.

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**Wise words to ponder …**

“Gratitude is one of the strongest and most transformative states of being.”

— Jen Sincero