



The Lion's Roar

Community Newsletter: Week Of February 24th

MCAVINNUE'S PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello McAvinnue Community!

I hope that everyone is having a fantastic Winter Break with family and friends! It is always nice to get some time away to relax and recover. Let's talk about the weather for a second...I believe we have witnessed and experienced the full weather spectrum that New England can offer all in a week. Colder days...snow days.....windy days...and some mild weekend temperatures...that basically sums everything up for sure!



When we all return on Monday, February 24th, things will begin to pick up the pace some as we enter the month of March. This will be the first full month of school that we have without any holiday or vacation days since we launched the 2024-2025 academic school year. March will yield report card distribution for PreK - Grade 4 students as well as the second round of Parent/Teacher Conferences. For a list of things to be aware of in the month of March, please see the section called "Upcoming News" in this Smore newsletter and mark your personal calendars! You can also see a "snapshot" of the upcoming week below.

I am looking forward to catching up with everyone first thing on Monday morning!

We are looking forward to another successful week at the "best school that we all know"!

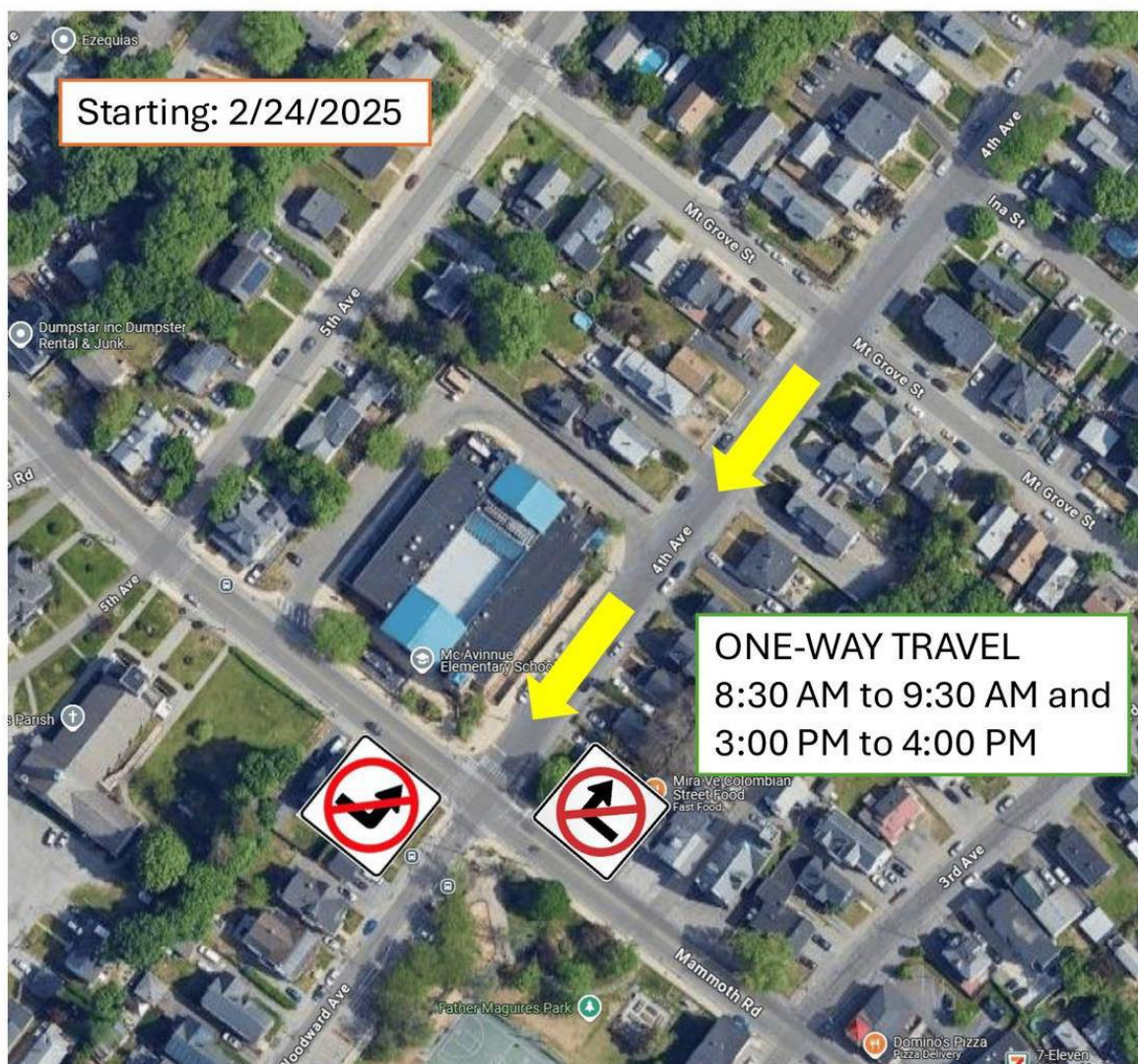
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach directly.

Here are a few items that you need to be aware of. Please mark your calendars for the following events and activities at McAvinnue for the next few weeks:

- **Monday, February 24th - McAvinnue Reopens @ 9:10 AM**
- **Friday, February 28th - McAvinnue's "Lions Pride" Core Value All School Celebration: February Edition**
- **Sunday, March 2nd - "Read Across America Day"**
- **Wednesday, March 5th - Early Release Day - Student Dismissal @ 1:30 PM**
- **Friday, March 7th - Popcorn Fundraiser Sale: K - Grade 2 (During Lunch In The Cafeteria)**

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Main Office at McAvinnue or send Mr. Domina a message a mdomina@lowell.k12.ma.us.

New Trial Traffic Pattern



ATTENTION: NEW TRAFFIC PATTERN TRIAL: STARTING ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

The City's Engineering Department will be running a 60-Day trial of a new traffic pattern during normal pickup and drop-off times at McAvinnue Elementary School.

4th Avenue will become a one-way road from Mt Grove St to Mammoth Rd from 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM and from 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM.

Traffic will not be able to turn onto 4th Avenue from Mammoth Road during these times.

This new pattern seeks to alleviate congestion and safety concerns in front of the school.

McAvinnue's Week In Review



McAvinnue's "Artist of the Week"

McAvinnue's "Artist of the Week" is Kevin in Room 307! He did a great job carving his design in the printing plate. So far, he's explored printmaking with warm color inks. This week he will continue with cool color inks! Excellent skills and craftsmanship!



McAvinnue's "Musician of the Week"

McAvinnue's "Musician of the Week" is Amaurie in Room 103! Amaurie has been learning about "dynamics" or different volume levels and can read the music terms for them. He also helps lead the class by being a great listener and using safe movement during songs and activities. Great job!



Turtle Buddy Time!

Students in Rooms 303 and 201 recently met up for some turtle buddy time! Both classrooms are part of the Turtle HATCH Program that focuses on learning about and raising turtles that will be released in the wild during the Spring. Both classrooms collaborated to create informational books focusing on what they have learned so far! So fun!





"McAvinnue's Night At Chuck E. Cheese!"

We had a BLAST at "McAvinnue's Night At Chuck E. Cheese" right before we left for the Winter Break! Thank you to everyone that came out for this super fun and exciting fundraising event!



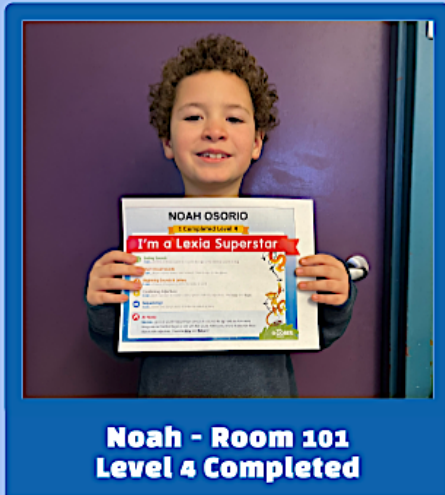


"McAvinnue's February Vacation Program!"

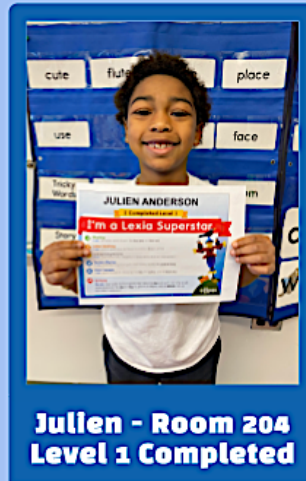
McAvinnue's "February Vacation" Program was a major success this past week! Students had so much fun with some extended learning challenges that focused on teamwork and collaboration! A BIG shoutout to Mrs. Gervais and all of the faculty that made this week such a positive experience for our students!

Lexia Reading Champions!

McAvinnue's Lexia Level Champions



**Noah - Room 101
Level 4 Completed**



**Julien - Room 204
Level 1 Completed**

Allergies? Asthma? Medications? - Please Let Nurse Danielle Know!

If your students have any medical concerns or diagnosis, please make sure Nurse Danielle is aware. Also, if they have any medical conditions, for example allergies or asthma, that require medications such as Epipens or inhalers here at school, please remember she needs updated paperwork and medication yearly.

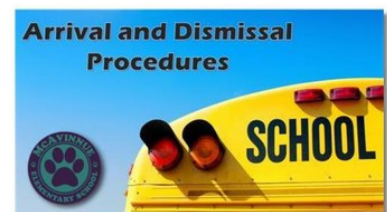


Please reach out as soon as possible to get her the necessary paperwork and to arrange drop off of new medications. Nurse Danielle's email address is dralls@lowell.k12.ma.us and she can also be reached by calling (978) 937-2871 ex. 47858. Our fax number is (978) 937-2880.

Drop-Off & Pick-Up Logistics

Drop-Off Logistics

- Arrival begins at 9:10 AM each day. The late bell rings at 9:25 AM.
- Please pull up to the 4th Avenue side of the building when dropping off your child.
- As you approach the 4th Avenue sidewalk, a faculty member will greet and support getting your child safely out of the vehicle.
- This area is a drop off area ONLY. You will not be permitted to park in this location.



- Please be sure to drive all the way down to the end of the sidewalk so we can fit as many vehicles in this location as possible.
- Ensure your child is ready to go and do not get out of the car so we can keep traffic moving.
- Students accessing our CSA program will be dismissed out the 4th Avenue door near the rear of the school building by the exit driveway.
- Large bus students will enter using the back door located in the rear of the school building.
- Small bus and van transportation students will use the 4th Avenue door near the rear of the school building by the exit driveway.

Morning Lining Up Locations

- Grade 1, 3, and 4 students will use the Main Door to enter the school building.
- Grade 2 will use the 4th Avenue doorway near the front of the school to enter the building.
- PreK & Kindergarten will use the Early Childhood door to enter the building. This door is located to the right of McAvinnue's Reading Garden and to the left of the Main Door.

Pick-Up Logistics

- Grade 1 will be dismissed out the Main Door.
- Grades 2, 3, and 4 will be dismissed out the 4th Avenue door near the front of the school.
- Kindergarten students will be dismissed out the Early Childhood door. This door is located to the right of McAvinnue's Reading Garden and to the left of the Main Door.
- Students accessing our CSA program will be dismissed out the 4th Avenue door near the rear of the school building by the exit driveway.
- PreK students will be dismissed out the 4th Avenue door near the rear of the school building by the exit driveway. Please contact Ms. Annie for the specific dismissal time.

Bus Transportation Information

School bus transportation is provided to students in grades K-4, who live greater than .75 mile from their residence or alternate address to their assigned school. Middle school students (grades 5-8) must live greater than 1.5 miles from their residence or alternate address to their assigned school.



Kindergarten through 4th grade students will receive a printed bus pass via postal mail. These passes were mailed out on August 23rd. You can also look up your student's bus pass information by using their Student ID for the username and date of birth for the password at the link below. This is the same information that students use to log in to their Chromebooks for school.

Please note that Kindergarten and 1st grader students **must** have an older sibling (4th grade or older) or parent present at the bus stop in the afternoon in order to depart from the school bus. If a parent or older sibling is not present, the student will be brought to the Moody School, located at 158 Rogers Street. A driver's license or valid identification must be presented to the staff in order to dismiss the student.

You can use the LPSD "Bus Lookup Tool" using the link below. You will need to use you child's LASID or lunch number along with their birthdate to access this helpful system.

There also is a helpful video that you can watch that will walk you through the process.

Click Here For The LPSD "Bus Lookup Tool"

You will need to have your child's LASID or lunch number to access the most up to date bus information for your child. Please keep in mind that this number is also used to log into your child's borrowed device.

Bus Pass Lookup Tutorial



User Name= lunch code

Password= birthday
mmddyyyy

Example: August 31, 2009
08312009

Is Your Bus On Time?

The Lowell Public Schools Transportation Department has added a live spreadsheet to its webpage that indicates in the AM or PM if a school bus (grades K-8) is running late and by how long.

Check it out today: <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/Page/5990>



Physical Education Class Information With Ms. Rindo

Here is information regarding when each grade level and homeroom has weekly Physical Education Class with Ms. Rindo.

Please ensure that your child wears sneakers on their assigned day in the gymnasium so that can fully participate.

Kindergarten- Physical Education Class

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Ms. Pepper 205	Mrs. Lewis 206	Mrs. Zolkos 207	Ms. Martineau 208



Please remember to wear your sneakers!
¡Por favor recuerda usar tus zapatos de deporte!



Kindergarten

Grade 1- Physical Education Class

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mrs. Gervais 204		Ms. Corio 201	Mrs. Joyce 202	Ms. Wegner 203



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Grade 1

Grade 2- Physical Education Class

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mrs. Ubele 101	Mrs. Makumbi 102	Ms. Carrucini 103	Ms. Michaud 104	



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Grade 2

Grade 3- Physical Education Class

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mrs. Abrams 302	Mrs. Cutrumbes 303	Mrs. M-C 304		Ms. Ryder 301



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Grade 3

Grade 4- Physical Education Class

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Ms. Clemente 309	Mrs. Leczynski 310		Mrs. Figueiredo 307	Mrs. McCann 308



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Grade 4

CSA- Physical Education Class

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Ms. Pastor 108	Mrs. Orozco 109	Mrs. Irwin 211



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CSA

McAvinnue's Yoga Pose Of The Week: "Washing Machine"

We will practice a brand new pose called the "Washing Machine". This pose will allow us to release anxiety, worry, or anger by visualizing washing those things down the drain to feel refreshed and have a new start to the day! We will practice the "Washing Machine" pose daily during our "Virtual" Morning Announcements during this up and coming week.

You can get an early head start and practice this technique before we launch into another exciting week!



Washing Machine

Release anxiety, worry or anger.
Integrate. Cleanse. Clear the slate.



1. Being in Standing Mountain with your feet at least hip distance apart.
2. Keeping your feet in place, relax your knees and begin to turn your upper body from side to side. Allow your arms to be loose and floppy so that they wrap around the back and front of your body as you turn.
3. Close your eyes and notice if there is something you would like to wash out – anger, hurt feelings, worries? As you swing your arms from side to side, imagine you can feel those things being washed out and away from your body and down into the ground.
4. Once clean, slow down the wash cycle and come back to Standing Mountain. Take one long, slow inhale and exhale.
5. Using both sets of fingertips, begin to gently tap yourself. Begin at your head and tap all the way down the front of your body. Tap all the way back up the backside of your body. Tap down each arm, beginning at the shoulders. Now, wrap your arms around yourself and tap your sides. Switch your arms and do it again.
6. End with Flying Bird Breath, inhaling your arms up, exhaling them down. Notice how you feel.

here's
an idea!

• **Shake and Freeze.** This can be used in place of, or in addition to, Step 5 above. To dry off after the wash cycle, body parts are called out by the teacher/leader. Begin by calling out the head, then shoulders, arms, hips, etc. working your way down the body until the entire body is shaking and wiggling. Shout out "Freeze!" to challenge the group to bring their bodies to stillness as quickly as possible. Repeat for several rounds. For extra fun, try playing music to shake off and dry, and stopping the music as the signal to freeze.



Upcoming Events

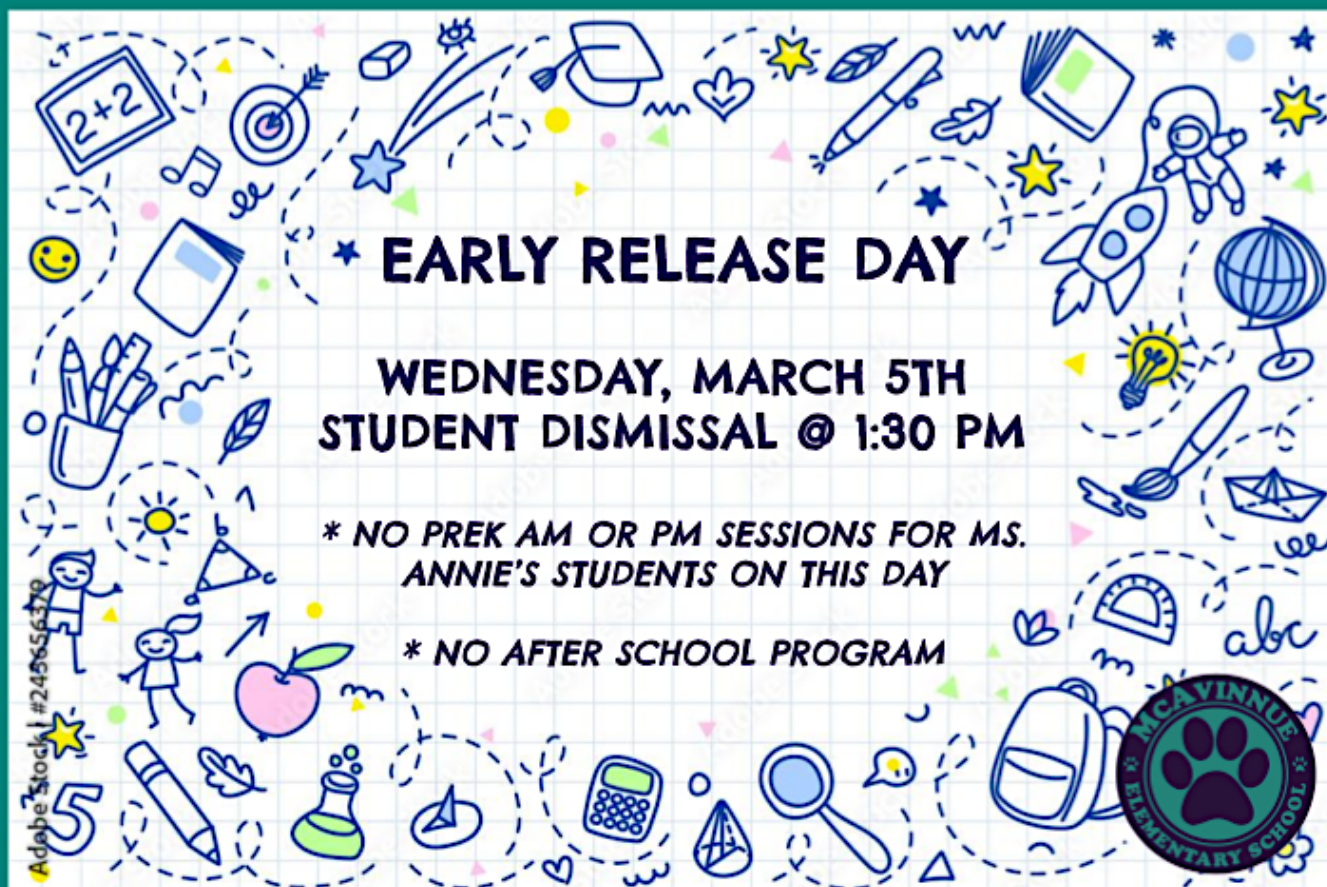


Here are important dates to remember for the end February and March:

- Monday, February 24th - McAvinnue Reopens @ 9:10 AM
- Friday, February 28th - McAvinnue's "Lions Pride" Core Value All School Celebration: February Edition

- *Sunday, March 2nd* - *"Read Across America Day"*
- *Wednesday, March 5th* - *Early Release Day - Student Dismissal @ 1:30 PM*
- *Friday, March 7th* - *Popcorn Fundraiser Sale: K - Grade 2 (During Lunch In The Cafeteria)*
- *Monday, March 10th* - *Math iReady Diagnostic #3 Begins*
- *Tuesday, March 11th* - *McAvinnue's Spring Picture Day (Faculty Picture; Individual Portraits; Class Pictures)*
- *Wednesday, March 12th* - *Kindergarten On-Site Registration @ McAvinnue @ 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM*
- *Thursday, March 13th* - *McAvinnue's Parent Teacher Conferences @ 3:45 PM - 5:45 PM*
- *Friday, March 14th* - *School-Wide "ALICE" Safety Drill*
- *Monday, March 17th* - *ELA iReady Diagnostic #3 Begins*
- *Tuesday, March 18th* - *Grade 2 Field Trip: Metropolitan Waterworks Museum (Rooms 103 & 104)*
- *Wednesday, March 19th* - *Grade 2 Field Trip: Metropolitan Waterworks Museum (Rooms 101 & 102)*
- *Thursday, March 20th* - *McAvinnue's "Math Family Festival" @ 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM*
- *Friday, March 21th* - *Popcorn Fundraiser Sale: Grades 3 & 4 (During Lunch In The Cafeteria)*
- *Friday, March 21th* - *Report Card Distribution: PreK - Grade 4*
- *Tuesday, March 25th* - *Grade 4 Field Trip: Lowell Tsongas Industrial History Center*
- *Thursday, March 27th* - *McAvinnue's "Walk-A-Thon" Fundraiser Event*
- *Monday, March 31st* - *McAvinnue's "Lions Pride" Core Value All School Celebration: March Edition*

Early Release Day



There will be a district-wide "Early Release Day" on Wednesday, March 5th. At McAvinnue, students will be dismissed at 1:30 PM. There will be no morning or afternoon sessions for Ms. Annie's PreK students. Our After School Program will not occur on this day. However, the Before School Program will still take place starting at 8:00 AM.

Please make the necessary arrangements to be available for your child on this day.

ST Math Weekly Progress!

Welcome back from Winter Break! We hope that you enjoyed your time away and recharged for some ST Math puzzle action when we return on February 24th!

Are you ready for the ST Math celebrations?

Check out our progress percentage at the school level and the grade-level puzzle averages... JiJi-rific!!



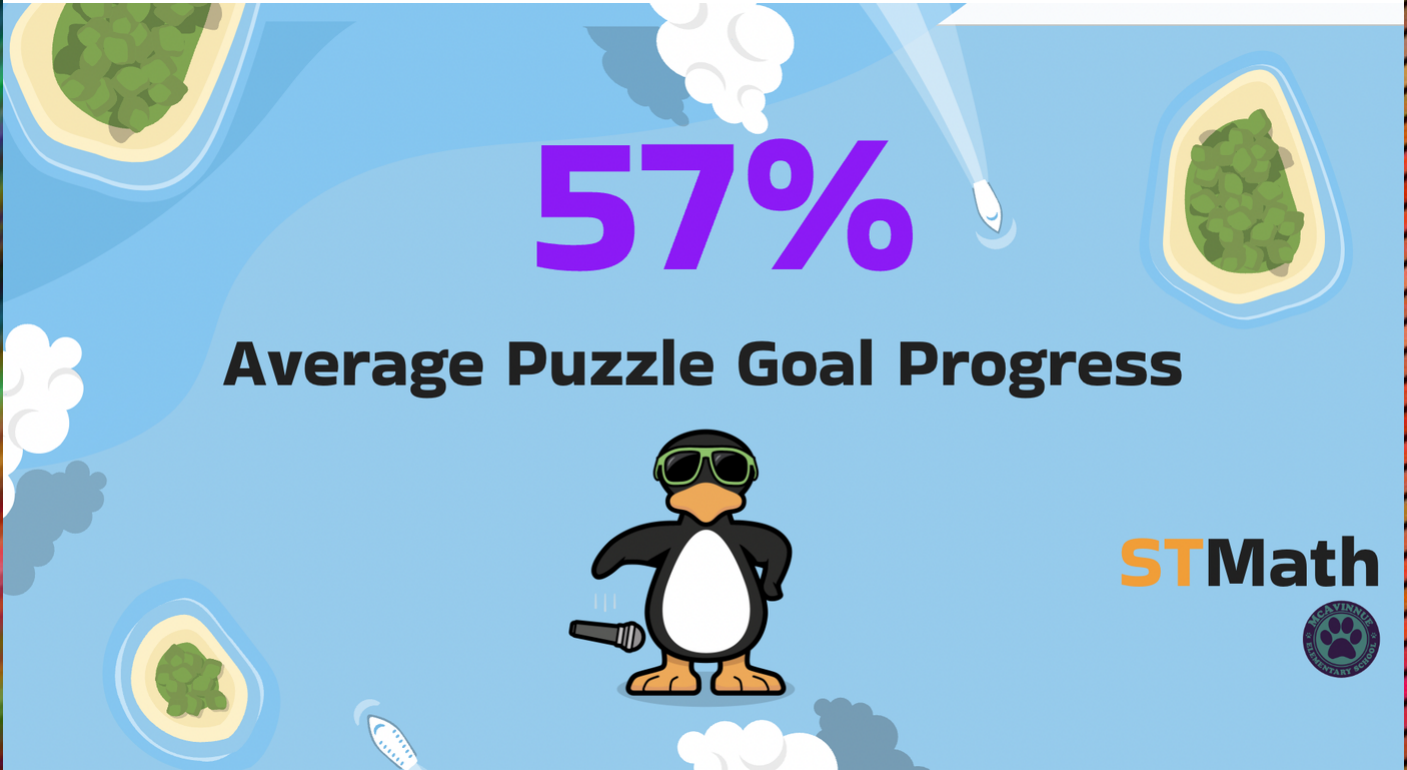
Also, we have an updated puzzle count for McAvinnue...all we can say is Wowzers!! We will reach 600,000 puzzles in early March. This is amazing work by our students!

We have wrapped Winter Waddle... Thank you for participating! Congrats to Room 202 for their achievements! Your trophy is on the way...as well as your class reward! Stay tuned to this upcoming week for more details and information!

You might be wondering what's warming up with Spring around the corner?




Every Play, Every Puzzle—It All Adds Up! – Just like in basketball, small efforts lead to big wins.

McAvinnue's March Mathness Challenge arriving soon! Stay tuned for more details coming soon!



57%

Average Puzzle Goal Progress



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Average Number of s at Each Grade Level

Let's celebrate!



Grade Level	Average Number of Puzzles
PreK	12 puzzles
K	40 puzzles
Gr. 1	70 puzzles
Gr. 2	40 puzzles
Gr. 3	75 puzzles
Gr. 4	50 puzzles





STMath

over **547,000**
puzzles solved



ST Math Champions!



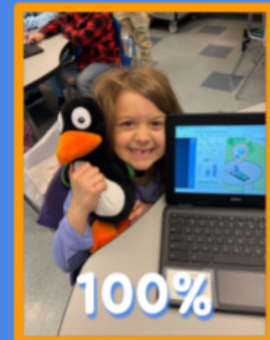
McAvinnue's ST Math Progress Champions



Gerard
Room 203



William
Room 303



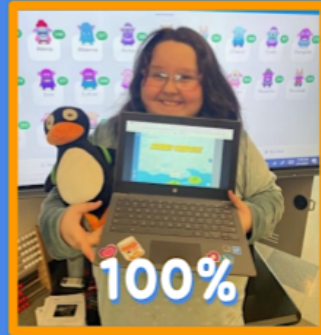
Lucy
Room 201



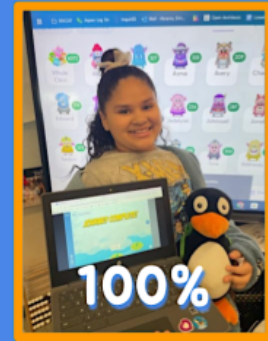
McAvinnue's ST Math Progress Champions



Ryder
Room 204



Alena
Room 302



Sophia
Room 302



McAvinnue's ST Math Progress Champions



Ayesha
Room 204



Edwin
Room 101



Fernelis
Room 103

2024-2025 School Year Calendar

Superintendent of Schools-Lowell Public Schools- Lowell, MA
2024-2025 School Year Calendar

Monday, August 26, 2024	Staff Return to School – Staff Orientation Day
Tuesday, August 27, 2024	First Day of School – Grades 1-12
Friday, August 30, 2024	No School Labor Day Recess
Monday, September 2, 2024 *	No School – Labor Day
Tuesday, September 3, 2024	No School – State Primary Elections
Wednesday, September 4, 2024	First Day of School – Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten
Wednesday, October 9, 2024	Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12
Monday, October 14, 2024 *	No School – Indigenous Peoples' Day
Tuesday, November 5, 2024	No School for Students - Election Day -Professional Day for Staff
Monday, November 11, 2024 *	No School - Veterans' Day Observed
Wednesday, November 27, 2024	Early Dismissal – Thanksgiving Recess
Thursday, November 28, 2024 *	No School - Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 29, 2024 *	No School – Thanksgiving Recess
Monday, December 2, 2024	Schools Re-Open
Wednesday, December 4, 2024	Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12
Friday, December 20, 2024	Winter Vacation Begins at the Close of Day
Tuesday, December 24, 2024*	Christmas Eve
Wednesday, December 25, 2024	Christmas Day
Tuesday, December 31, 2024 *	New Year's Eve
Wednesday, January 1, 2025 *	New Year's Day
Thursday, January 2, 2025	Schools Re-Open
Wednesday, January 8, 2025	Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12
Monday, January 20, 2025 *	No School – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Wednesday, February 5, 2025	Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12
Friday, February 14, 2025	Mid-Winter Vacation Begins at the Close of School
Monday, February 17, 2025 *	President's Day [Mid-Winter Vacation: Monday, February 17 – Friday, February 21, 2025]
Monday, February 24, 2025	Monday – Schools Re-Open
Wednesday, March 5, 2025	Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12
Thursday, April 17, 2025	Spring Vacation Begins at the Close of School
Friday, April 18, 2025 *	No School – Good Friday
Monday, April 21, 2025 *	Patriot's Day – [Spring Break: Monday, April 21– Friday, April 25, 2025]
Monday, April 28, 2025	Schools Re-Open
Wednesday, May 14, 2025	Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12
Monday, May 26, 2025 *	No School – Memorial Day
Friday, June 13, 2025	180 th School Day - Early Release for grades PreK-12 on Last Day of School
Thursday, June 19, 2025 *	Juneteenth
Monday, June 23, 2025	185 th School Day [Includes five (5) Snow Days]

Approved by the Lowell School Committee at their meeting of: 4/17/24

* Central Administration, Family Resource Center will be closed in observance of a holiday

Number of School Days Per Month

August	3	January	21
September	19	February	15
October	22	March	21
November	17	April	16
December	15	May	21
		June	10



2024-2025 LPSD Calendar.pdf

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McAvinnue's Morning Announcements

McAvinnue's "Morning Announcements" are back once again for the 2024-2025 academic school year! We are excited to bring these back starting on Monday, September 16th!

Like we had successfully done during previous school years, a new edition of McAvinnue's "Virtual" Morning Announcements will be presented to our students on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday each week. We will continue to use Tuesday and Thursday each week to be used for "Open Circle"....our Social Emotional Learning (SEL) program that focuses on community building, prosocial decision making, and appropriate responses to daily stressors both within the school and home settings.

This will continue to be a great way to bring our school together each day focusing on the same message to get the energy, commitment, and engage up before we launch into another great day at



"the best school we all know".

McAvinnue's Morning Announcements will occur on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday each week.

You can check out current and past editions of McAvinnue's Morning Announcements on our YouTube channel using the link below.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7hxiBuRjqjgqfASI_RLMleQ

You can check out the latest edition of McAvinnue's Morning Announcements below for last school year!

McAvinnue's Morning Announcements 2.14.2025



Parent & Family Resources

LPS Budget Input Meetings

The LPS Finance Department is pleased to offer an opportunity for our community to give input on the FY 2026 budget. We are holding both a morning and evening hour-long online session that will include a short presentation followed by an open question and answer session.

Monday, February 24th

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

To join: <https://bit.ly/3CT3cKo>

Wednesday February 26th

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

To join: <https://bit.ly/3QpHjWa>

The flyer features a dark red background with a collage of financial-themed images including green dollar bills, a calculator, a pie chart, a bar graph, and stacks of cash. At the top left is the Lowell Public Schools logo. The title 'COMMUNITY BUDGET FORUMS' is in large, bold, blue letters. Two circular portraits of the hosts, Dr. Derek Pinto and Amanda Dupont, are shown. A text box provides details about the forums, including dates, times, and a link to join. At the bottom left is an illustration of a money bag and coins. At the bottom right is a note about language interpretation.

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COMMUNITY BUDGET FORUMS

Lowell Public Schools' Assistant Superintendent for Finance Dr. Derek Pinto and Deputy Finance Officer Amanda Dupont will host two online community budget forums to give parents, guardians, teachers, staff, and community members an opportunity to hear about the school district budget, ask questions, and offer input.

- **Monday February 24**
10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
To join: <https://bit.ly/3CT3cKo>
- **Wednesday February 26**
5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
To join: <https://bit.ly/3QpHjWa>

*Interpretation available in Spanish, Portuguese, and Khmer

PreK & Kindergarten Registration 2025-2026

Preschool and Kindergarten Registration for the 2025-2026 academic school year opens February 3rd.

For all the info you need about registration visit: www.lowell.k12.ma.us/registration

You can also check out the flyer below for all of the details.



2025-2026

PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION OPENS ON:
FEBRUARY 3, 2025

Lottery dates:

- Round 1 - Register for Pre-K and K on or before April 4th to be eligible for the first round of the lottery on May 2nd.
- Round 2 - Register for K on or before May 16th to be eligible for the 2nd K lottery on June 13th
- Round 3 - Register for K on or before June 27th to be eligible for the 3rd K lottery on July 18th

Families may register online at:

lowell.k12.ma.us

OR in person at the FRC:

151 Merrimack St.

For more information, please visit:

lowell.k12.ma.us/Domain/84

CURRENT PRE-K FAMILIES:

If your child currently attends preschool, you are still required to enroll for Kindergarten.






Should I Send My Child To School?

Please see the chart below that will help you decide whether you should send your child to school.

If you have any questions or are not sure whether you should send your child to school, please reach out to the school and ask to speak with Nurse Danielle.

SHOULD I SEND MY CHILD TO SCHOOL?

 STAY HOME FOR...	 Students May Return after...
 Fever: temperature of 100.4°F or greater	Fever-free for 24 hours without taking fever-reducing medicine like Tylenol or Motrin
 Vomiting or Diarrhea 	Symptom-free for 24 hours
 Skin Rash	Condition has been diagnosed by a doctor, and treatment started if indicated, and doctor's note received by nurse
 Red eyes with eye drainage: yellow or brown drainage from the eyes, crusting at eyelashes	Condition has been diagnosed by a doctor, and treatment started if indicated, with a doctor's note (24 hours on antibiotics if conjunctivitis)
 Live Head Lice	Medicated Lice Shampoo Treatment has been completed, and no live lice are found
 A contagious illness like chickenpox, or strep throat	A doctor or public health official says it is safe to return and/ or the child has been on antibiotics for 24 hours.
 Student's immunizations are not up-to-date and an exclusion notice has been given	Required vaccines have been received













OK FOR SCHOOL!

- Chronic Diseases (Controlled Asthma, Diabetes, Sickle Cell, Epilepsy)
- Mild Cold Symptoms – Stuffy nose/ runny nose, sneezing, mild cough, no fever
 - Menstrual Issues – cramps
- Someone at home is sick, stressed, or hospitalized



¿DEBERIA LLEVAR A MI HIJO A LA ESCUELA?

 Estar en casa para		 Los estudiantes podrán regresar después de...	
	Fiebre: temperatura de 38 °C o mas alta	Sin fiebre durante 24 horas, sin haber tomado medicamentos reductores de fiebre como Tylenol o Motrin.	
	Vómitos o diarrea		Sin sintomas durante 24 horas
	Erupción cutánea	Un medico ha diagnosticado la afección y se ha iniciado el tratamiento si es necesario, y la enfermera ha recibido una nota del médico	
	Ojos rojos con secreción ocular: secreción amarilla o marrón de los ojos y formación de costras en las pestañas	Un medico ha diagnosticado y comenzado el tratamiento si es necesario, con nota médica (24 horas de antibióticos si es conjuntivitis)	
	Piojos vivos	El tratamiento con champu medicado contra piojos se ha completado y no se encontraron piojos vivos	
	Una enfermedad contagiosa, como la varicela o la faringitis estreptocócica.	Un médico o un funcionario de salud pública ha indicado que es seguro regresar, y/o el niño ha estado tomando antibióticos durante 24 horas.	
	Las vacunas del estudiante no están actualizadas y se ha emitido un aviso de exclusión	Se han recibido las vacunas necesarias	








Por Favor, Mande a su hijo/a a la escuela si...

- Enfermedades crónicas (asma controlada, diabetes, anemia de células falciformes, epilepsia)
- Síntomas de resfriado leve: Nariz congestinada, Nariz goteando, estornudos, tos leve, sin fiebre.
- Problemas menstruales: calambres
- Alguien en casa está enfermo, estresado o hospitalizado



DEVO MANDAR MEU FILHO PARA A ESCOLA?

 FIQUE EM CASA POR...	 Os estudantes podem voltar após...
 Febre: temperatura de 38 °C ou acima	Sem febre por 24 horas, sem o uso de medicamentos para reduzir a febre, como Tylenol ou Motrin
 Vômito ou diarreia	 Sem sintomas por 24 horas
 Erupção cutânea	A condição for diagnosticada por um médico, e o tratamento for iniciado, se indicado, e o atestado médico foi recebido pela enfermeira.
 Olhos vermelhos com secreção ocular: secreção amarela ou marrom dos olhos e formação de crostas nos cílios.	Condição diagnosticada por um médico, o tratamento iniciado, se indicado, o atestado médico (24 horas de antibióticos para conjuntivite).
 Piolhos vivos	O tratamento com shampoo terapêutico para piolhos concluído e nenhum piolho ativo for encontrado.
 Uma doença contagiosa, como catapora ou faringite estreptocócica	Um médico ou funcionário de saúde pública afirmar que é seguro retornar e/ou a criança está tomando antibióticos há 24 horas.
 As vacinações do estudante não estiverem atualizadas e um aviso de exclusão foi emitido.	As vacinas exigidas foram tomadas



Por favor, envie seu filho(a) para a escola se...

- Doenças Crônicas (Asma Controlada, Diabetes, Anemia Falciforme, Epilepsia)
- Sintomas Leves de Constipação – Nariz entupido/coriza, espirros, tosse leve, sem febre
- Dificuldades menstruais – dores
- Alguém em casa está doente, estressado ou hospitalizado

Mill City Grows: Mobile Farmers Market

A new year, a new Indoor Mobile Farmers Market season!

Our 2025 Winter/Spring Indoor Markets will run January 16th - April 10th on Wednesdays and Thursdays at [City of Lowell Senior Center](#) and [University Crossing at UMass Lowell](#). Free parking is available at both locations.

All our Markets accept SNAP/EBT, HIP, Apple Pay, WellSense, S3/OTC Healthy Grocery Gift Card, cash, credit, debit, and Mill City Grows eGift Cards.

Get details at MillCityGrows.org/mobile-markets and shop all season long with Mill City Grows!



MillCityGrows.org
978-455-2620

Purchase fresh, locally grown produce
in Lowell, MA, all season long!

2025 Winter/Spring Indoor Mobile Farmers Markets

University Crossing Lobby
220 Pawtucket Street

Biweekly Wednesdays
1pm - 4pm

January 22
February 5, 19
March 5, 19
April 2

Lowell Senior Center Cafeteria
276 Broadway Street

Biweekly Thursdays
10am - 12pm

January 16, 30
February 13, 27
March 13, 27
April 10

We welcome these payment options:

SNAP/EBT, HIP, APPLE PAY, WELLSENSE, MCG E-GIFT CARDS,
CASH, CREDIT, DEBIT, S3 OTC/HEALTHY GROCERY CARD

Free parking near University Crossing for Mobile Market shoppers:

UMass Lowell Salem Street Parking Lot
294 Salem Street, Lowell
(Please look for parking signs)

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

 **BANK OF AMERICA**



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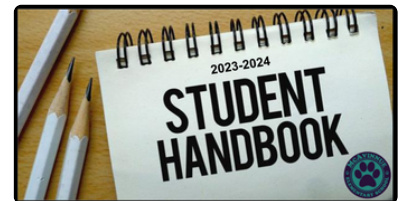


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Student Handbook 2024-2025

The LPS Student Handbook is a great tool to use to fully understand the expectations of the role of our students as well as the partnership needed for our families to ensure that the school year is a great success.



You can access the district elementary student handbook by clicking the button below. You will find various policies and procedures focusing on attendance, grading, discipline, bus expectations, and more.

Please reach out directly if you have any questions.

[Click Here To Access The LPS 2024-2025 Student Handbook](#)

McAvinnue's School Attendance Information

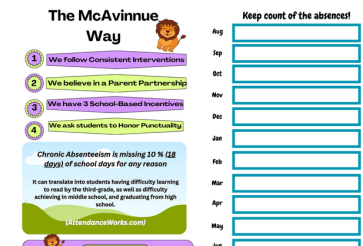
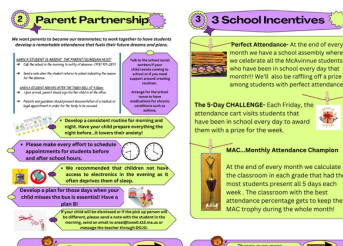
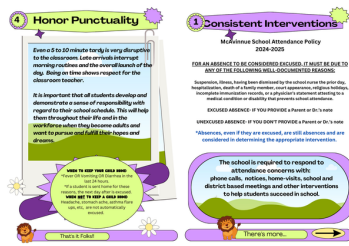
As you are aware, attending school is first step each in the learning process for our students. It is critical that our students arrive to school on time each day so that they can access all of the engaging and meaning lessons that have been planned by our teachers and related service providers.



The McAvinnue Attendance Team will monitor student attendance on a weekly basis and will reach out directly to families when they notice frequent absences, a pattern of absences, or an increased number of consecutive absences within a short period of time.

Please refer to McAvinnue's Student Attendance Booklet below that will provide additional information. This booklet will be sent home with students in multiple languages. It is important that you review this information for your own awareness and to be fully prepared to support your child with the first step of the learning process...attending school on time.

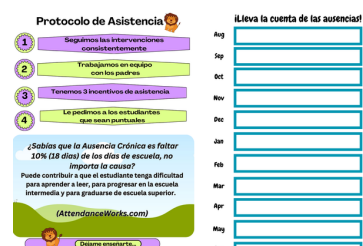
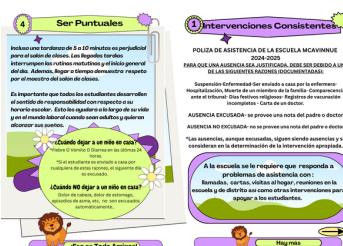
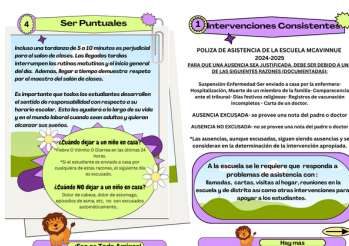
The handbook is provided in three languages below.



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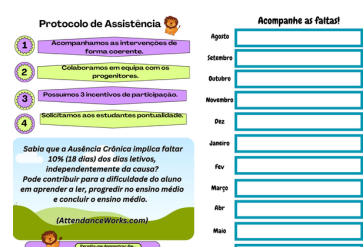
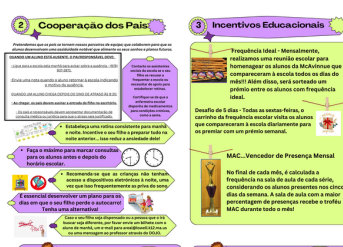
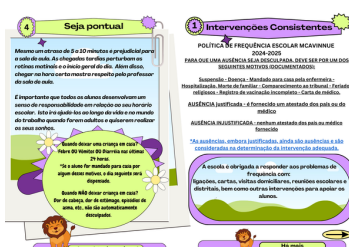
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Breakfast and Lunch Will Be Free for All LPS Students

As we reopen for the new school year, Lowell Public Schools Food and Nutrition are "Powering Potential" for students and faculty with innovations in our menus and enhancements to our overall dining operations. When your child dines with us, rest assured that we will be serving delicious, nutritious meals prepared with the utmost attention to safety. We encourage every student to fuel up with breakfast and lunch meals each day so they can be energized and prepared to succeed throughout the day, in and out of the classroom.



Please keep up to date on our program, nutrition education, monthly menus and back to school letters on the [LPS Food and Nutrition website](#).

Any concerns please feel free to email foodservice@lowell.k12.ma.us

GREAT NEWS

**MASSACHUSETTS PASSES
PERMANENT FREE
SCHOOL MEALS FOR ALL**

WHY EAT SCHOOL BREAKFAST + LUNCH?

Better Productivity	improved focus, behavior, & attendance rate.
Better Health	good for the brain & gives students the fuel to learn.
Better Days	one less thing to worry about & it's free!

 PROJECT BREAD 

February Breakfast & Lunch Menus

February 2025 Elementary Breakfast Menu

Check out <https://lowellk12ma.nutrislice.com/> for Menu's, Nutrition Education & Monthly Promotions! Questions or concerns please contact foodservices@lowell.k12.ma.us

All Breakfast items are whole grain. Offered Daily: 1 % and Skim Milk and Fresh Fruit All Breakfast is provided free for all students. Menu is subject to change.

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27 Pumpkin Breakfast Bread Assorted Cereal Bowls with Graham Cracker Served with Apples & Pears	28 Egg & Cheese Wrap Blueberry Muffin Served with Oranges & Juice	29 Powdered Sugar Donut Asst. Cereal Bar Served with Apples & Clementines	30 Bacon, Egg, Cheese English Muffin Blueberry Pomegranate Granola Bar Served with Fresh Fruit Cup & Juice	31 Mixed Berry Yogurt Parfait Bagel with Cream Cheese Served with Apples & Bananas
3 Pancake Sausage on a Stick Assorted Cereal Bowls with Graham Cracker Served with Apples & Pears	4 Mini Strawberry Filled Bagel Chocolate Chip Muffin Served with Oranges & Juice	5 Mill City Sandwich Assorted Cereal Bars Served with Strawberries & Clementines	6 Mini Cinni Caramel Bagel Cranberry Orange Sunrise Round Served with Fresh Fruit Cup & Juice	7 Egg & Cheese Wake up Wrap Bagel with Cream Cheese Served with Apples & Bananas
10 Cinnamon Raisin Bagel Assorted Cereal Bowl with Graham Cracker Served with Apples & Pears	11 Sausage, Egg, and Cheese Bagel Sandwich Chocolate Chip Muffin Served with Oranges & Juice	12 Apple Frudel Asst. Cereal Bar Served with Strawberries & Clementines	13 Egg and Cheese on an English Muffin Nature Valley Round Served with Fresh Fruit Cup & Juice	14 Fruit Breakfast Smoothie Bagel with Cream Cheese Served with Apples and Bananas
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24 Pumpkin Breakfast Bread Assorted Cereal Bowls with Graham Cracker Served with Apples & Pears	25 Egg & Cheese Wrap Blueberry Muffin Served with Oranges & Juice	26 Powdered Sugar Donut Asst. Cereal Bar Served with Apples & Clementines	27 Bacon, Egg, Cheese English Muffin Blueberry Pomegranate Granola Bar Served with Fresh Fruit Cup & Juice	28 Mixed Berry Yogurt Parfait Bagel with Cream Cheese Served with Apples & Bananas

FEBRUARY 2025 Elementary Lunch Menu

Breakfast and Lunch are FREE for all students!
Our menu consists of Whole Grains, Fresh Fruits and Vegetables.
Students must take a fruit and/or vegetable with each lunch.
All meals are served with the option of milk.
Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwiches and Vegetarian Meals served daily.
Menus are subject to change.
V= Vegetarian LG=Locally Grown LTO= Limited Time Offer
HOTM=Harvest of the Month

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Country Chicken Bowl 27 with a Corn Muffin Country Bowl with Vegetarian Nuggets V Omelette with a Bagel Ham Chef Salad with Flatbread Italian Sub Roasted Potatoes & Carrots LG Apples & Pears	Chorizo Taco 28 Hamburger & Cheeseburger Black Bean Burger V Bagel Power Pack V Moroccan Harissa Wrap Kikins Beans & Fiesta Corn Clementines & Apples	Laurie's American Chop Suey 29 Hamburger & Cheeseburger Black Bean Burger V Asian Chicken Salad with Flatbread Tuna Salad Sandwich on Bulky Roll Cucumber & Carrots LG Bananas & Berry Cups	Pork, Black Bean, Plantain and Rice Bowl Crispy Chicken Sandwich Veggie Nuggets with a Dinner Roll V Bagel Power Pack V Moroccan Harissa Wrap Green Beans & Carrots LG Pears & Fresh Fruit Cup	Cheese Pizza V Big Mac Pizza Ham Chef Salad with Flatbread Italian Sub Red Pepper Strips & Side Salad LG Applesauce & Bananas
French Toast Sticks with Chicken Sausage Or Vegetarian Sausage V Cheese Quesadilla V Greek Salad with Flatbread LG Chicken Salad Sandwich on a Bulky Roll Tater Tots & Broccoli Clementines & Apples	Buffalo Chicken Dip with Tortilla Chips Hamburger & Cheeseburger Black Bean Burger V Yogurt & Fruit Power Pack V Greek Chicken Wrap Kikins Beans & Fiesta Corn Clementines & Apples	Early Release! 5 Chicken Tenders with a Dinner Roll Vegetarian Chicken Nuggets with a Dinner Roll V Greek Salad with Flatbread LG Chicken Salad Sandwich on a Bulky Roll Cucumbers & Carrots LG Bananas & Berry Cup	General Tao's Popcorn Chicken 6 With Fried Rice Crispy Chicken Sandwich Yogurt & Fruit Power Pack V Greek Chicken Wrap Green Beans & Carrots LG Pears & Fresh Fruit Cup	Cheese Pizza V Pepperoni Pizza Greek Salad with Flatbread LG Chicken Salad Sandwich on a Bulky Roll Red Pepper Strips & Side Salad LG Apples & Bananas
LTO: Pizza Waffalacos 10 Hot Pretzel Dippers V Chicken Caesar Salad with Flatbread LG Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Pickled Cucumbers & Waffle Fries Apples & Pears	Arroz con Pollo 11 Chicken Nuggets with a Dinner Roll Vegetarian Nuggets with a Dinner Roll V Chocolate Hummus Platter V Ham and Cheese Sub Street Corn Salad & Carrots LG Apples & Clementines	Lok Lak 12 Chicken Tenders with a Dinner Roll Vegetarian Chicken Nuggets with a Dinner Roll V Chicken Caesar Salad & Flatbread LG Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Roasted Chickpeas & Carrots LG Berry Cup & Bananas	Chili Garlic Popcorn Chicken 13 with Lo Mein Pizza Crunchers V Chocolate Hummus Platter V Ham and Cheese Sub Red Pepper Strips & Side Salad LG Apples & Bananas	Happy Valentine's Day! 14 Chocolate Chip Cookies! Cheese Pizza V Hawaiian Pizza Chicken Caesar Salad with Flatbread LG Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Red Pepper Strips & Side Salad LG Apples & Bananas
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Chicken and Vegetable 24 Dumplings with Veggies Edamame Dumplings with Veggies V Chicken Farm Sub Kale Chicken Caesar Salad LG Ham and Cheese Sandwich Broccoli & Carrots LG Apples & Pears	Chicken Fajitas with a Tortilla 25 Black Bean Taco V Hamburgers & Cheeseburgers Pizza Platter Chicken Caesar Wrap LG Roasted Chickpeas & Cucumbers Clementines & Apples	National Chili Day! 26 HOTM: Chicken Butternut Squash Chili with a Biscuit Bosco Cheese Sticks with Marinara Sauce V Kale Chicken Caesar Salad LG Ham and Cheese Sandwich Corn & Carrots LG Bananas & Berry Cup	Wally's Boomin' Nachos 27 Wally's Boomin' Bean Nachos V Fish and Chips with Coleslaw and A Dinner Roll Pizza Platter Chicken Caesar Wrap LG Green Beans & Carrots LG Pears & Fresh Fruit Cup	Cheese Pizza V BBQ Chicken Pizza Kale Chicken Caesar Salad with Flatbread LG Ham & Cheese Sandwich Red Pepper Strips & Side Salad LG Apples & Bananas

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McAvinnue Spirit Gear By Prep Sportswear

We have an online store if you wish to order any McAvinnue gear! It is open 24 hours per day and there is no due date for orders. Anytime you want to order...on any day!

The company is Prep Sportswear and has been reliable with solid product quality from reputable brands.

There is a 30% off deal occuring now on all items! This is a major discount if you are interested in purchasing McAvinnue merchandise.



Like during previous school years, we are also exploring additional local options to purchase McAvinnue gear. Stay tuned for more information in the month of September.

To access our current online store for McAvinnue spirit gear, please click the link below.

Click To Access Prep Sportswear Spirit Gear

General Information

How can I update my contact information (phone number/email/address)?

- Go online to the Family Resource Webpage (<https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/UpdateContactInfo>) and fill out the "contact us" form. Families who don't have access to the internet can fill out the form in person at the Family Resource Center. If an address change is related to economic factors or housing instability (family



moves in with relatives, eviction, hotel/motel, fire or unsheltered, please contact the McKinney Vento Office located at the Family Resource Center in person (151 Merrimack Street), by phone (978-674-4321) or go to the webpage at <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/HomelessAssistance>.

How do I update my emergency contacts?

- If you were in the school last year we will send a verification sheet out. if you are new we will send home an emergency form to fill out on the first day of school.

How do I register my child for the new school year?

- All school registrations are completed online using a computer or laptop. You can access the online application by going to <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/SchoolRegistration>. If you only have a mobile device and don't have access to a computer or laptop, you can register in person at the Family Resource Center (151 Merrimack Street). Please call the Family Resource Center if you have any questions (978-674-4321).

What should I do if I need to register my child(ren) and I don't speak English?

- The Lowell Public Schools is committed to providing translation and interpretation services for families who require assistance in a language other than English. The online registration application and website is translated in Spanish and Portuguese and can be accessed by going to <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/SchoolRegistration>. For all other languages, please call Vannak Khin at (978) 328-6782 to arrange services. In-person language interpretation support for registration can be accessed by visiting the Lowell Public Schools at 151 Merrimack Street. Families can also call the Family Resource Center at (978) 674-4321 to make an appointment with a Bilingual Family Liaison.

How old does my child need to be to enroll in preschool or kindergarten?

- A child must turn 4 years old on or before September 1, 2023, in order to apply for preschool and 5 by September 1 to apply for kindergarten. A family can apply for preschool by going to <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/PreschoolRegistration> to fill out an online application or <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/KindergartenRegistration> for kindergarten. For registration questions, please call (978) 674-4321.

How do I apply for a transfer for my child to change schools in the new year?

- Per the 2023-2024 School Assignment Policy, all students have the option to request one school transfer per year.
 - Families can apply online at <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/SchoolTransfer> or can come to the Family Resource Center in-person to complete the application. Transfers are assigned on a space availability basis.
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Community Connections & Opportunities



Winter Playground Opportunities

Check out the Winter Playground opportunities offered by the Lowell Public Schools. Registration information can be found below.



Winter **Playgroups** Offered January 7 through April 11, 2025.
Tuesdays through Fridays from 10 am to 11 am at locations in Lowell.

For children under 5 years old and their parent/caregiver.

Join us for free fun activities, storytime and parent/caregiver support.



Registration is required for each playgroup.
Scan QR Code for details & to register.
or visit this link for details & to register:
<https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/LPSplaygroups>
or call 978-967-6784 for questions

10am Playgroup locations
Tuesdays, **YMCA, 35 YMCA Dr.,** or
Tuesdays, Lowell Housing Authority, **580 Chelmsford St**
Wednesdays, **St. Rita's 158 Mammoth Rd**
Thursdays, **YMCA, 35 YMCA Dr.**
Fridays Pollard Library, **401 Merrimack St,** or
Fridays St. Rita's, **158 Mammoth Rd**

Grupos de juego de invierno se ofrecen del 7 de enero al 11 de abril de 2025.
De Martes a Viernes de 10 a. m. a 11 a. m. en sucursales de Lowell.
Para niños menores de 5 años y sus padres/cuidadores.
Únase a nosotros para disfrutar de actividades divertidas gratuitas, lectura de cuentos y apoyo para padres y cuidadores.

Es necesario registrarse para cada grupo de juego.
Escanee el código QR para obtener más detalles y registrarse.
o visite este enlace para obtener más detalles y registrarse:
<https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/LPSplaygroups>
o llame al 978-967-6784 para preguntas

Ubicaciones de los grupos de juego
10 a. m. con facilitadores que hablan español
Viernes Pollard Library, **401 Merrimack St** o
Viernes St. Rita's, **158 Mammoth Rd**



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LOWELL EARLY CHILDHOOD
COUNCIL
Working Together for Children and Families





Grupos de recreação de inverno oferecidos de 7 de janeiro a 11 de abril de 2025. De terça a sexta, das 10h às 11h, em locais em Lowell.

Para crianças menores de 5 anos e seus pais/cuidadores.

Junte-se a nós para atividades divertidas e gratuitas, hora da história e apoio aos pais/cuidadores.



É necessário fazer inscrição para cada grupo de brincadeiras.
Escaneie o código QR para obter detalhes e se registrar.
ou visite este link para detalhes e para se registrar:
<https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/LPSplaygroups>
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ថ្ងៃអង្គារ នៅ LHA, 580 Chelmsford St

ថ្ងៃពុធ នៅ St. Rita's, 158 Mammoth Rd



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Girls Lacrosse Registration Now Open!

Registration is now open for Girls Lacrosse for Spring 2025 for girls in grades K-8 (new K program this year!).

To register: www.lowellgirlslacrosse.com

The season will run from the middle of February to June!

LGL Registration is OPEN for Spring 2025!

LGL Littles (new Kindergarten program for 2025)

Grades 1/2

Grades 3/4

Grades 5/6

Grades 7/8

Season runs mid-February through beginning of June

Register online @ lowellgirlslacrosse.com

Learn more about our programs on LGL's Teams and FAQs pages!

✉ Questions, please email lowellgirlsyouthlacrosse@gmail.com



Lowell Youth Boys Lacrosse Registration Now Open!

Lowell Youth Lacrosse Spring 2025 registration is now open for boys in grades 1-8. To register:

<https://lowellyouthlax.com>

Practice session begin in March with game play occurring on Sundays.

Financial aid is available if needed.

LOWELL YOUTH LACROSSE SPRING 2025 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

UNTIL FEBRUARY 22, 2025

FIRST TIME PLAYERS WELCOME
BOYS GRADES 1-8

FINANCIAL AID
AVAILABLE

PRACTICES BEGIN IN MARCH
GAMES ARE ON SUNDAYS



INQUIRE ABOUT OUR
LEARN TO PLAY
PROGRAM



REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

www.lowellyouthlax.com



lowellyouthlacrosse@yahoo.com

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Cub Scout Pack 7 Information

Cub Scout Pack 7 is looking for new cubs to join their pack! Tons of fun and learning experiences for all kids in Kindergarten through Grade 5. For more information, visit www.pack7lowell.com

Pack 7 meets at St. Rita's Church directly across from McAvinnue!



Cub Scout Pack 7 is a Family Pack for both girls and boys
in kindergarten through fifth grades



In partnership with FEMA—Cub Scouting is offering fun and play filled 'Be Prepared' emergency preparedness programming for youth. Kids will have a great time and learn to Be Prepared via camping, group hiking, learning to use basic tools, archery, developing communication skills and lots of playing.



Visit www.Pack7Lowell.com to find about our next open house or to visit one of our weekly den meetings and learn about the year-long programming.

Meeting Location — St. Rita Hall
(158 Mammoth Rd., Lowell)

www.Pack7Lowell.com

join@pack7lowell.com



Be A Girl Scout

Interested in joining the Girl Scouts Of America? Check out the information below for an event on Tuesday, September 17th at 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM at the Pollard Library in Lowell.

To sign up for Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts, please use the link below.

gsema.org/jion





**Your Year of
Adventure**

- ✓ Hike to the highest point in your town.
- ✓ Learn a new outdoor skill.
- ✓ Take on challenges with confidence.

Each day as a Girl Scout brings thrills and out-of-this-world experiences. Don't miss your chance to make new friends and be part of a journey you'll never forget! Find your squad and get ready for amazing adventures.

Be a Girl Scout
gsema.org/join

girl scouts
of eastern
massachusetts

**Start your Girl Scout
journey in Lowell
at our FREE Try
Girl Scouts event!**

**Tuesday, September 16
6 - 7 PM**
**Pollard Memorial Library
401 Merrimack Road
Lowell**

*Bring your grown-up(s) along.
Scan code to RSVP or visit
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Fall Playgroup Opportunities

The Lowell Public Schools' Coordinated Family and Community Engagement Program holds weekly playgroups for children under 5-years-old and their families.

You can access the registration form below.

[Click Here To Register](#)



Community Resources & Daycare Options for Families

Looking for before or after school daycare options for your child? Here is a short list of options and information for your consideration.

Here is a list of daycare options in Lowell:

- **Community Team Work (CTI):** (978) 454-5100
 - Families who are already enrolled in a CTI program...
 - Call or text school-age coordinators to request a slot
 - Billy 978-995-0028, wma@commteam.org
 - Karen 978-729-7216, kshannon@commteam.org
 - Families who are not enrolled in a CTI program
 - If you've filled out a CTI application in the past...
 - Contact Karen (978) 729-7216, kshannon@commteam.org to see if where you are on the waitlist (if there is a waitlist)
 - If you've never filled out a CTI application...
 - Fill out an application at 17 Kirk St., 126 Phoenix Ave
 - Or call the main CTI number (978) 454-5100 to request an email version of the application.
- **YMCA:** (978) 454-7825; 1 YMCA Dr in Lowell
 - Karen Espinola is the school-age director
 - Fill out a application online or at the YMCA to request a slot
 - Debbie Doben is the preschool director if your child is preschool age
- **Family Childcare:** Call programs to see if they have openings near you
 - Bethel Family Childcare (978) 458-6577
 - Clarendon Family Childcare (978) 454-3026
 - Child Development and Learning (CDE) (978) 275-2843
 - ACRE Family Childcare (978) 937-5899
 - CTI: See above contact information
- **Girls Inc:** (978) 458-6529, 220; Worthen St. in Lowell
 - Accept girls ages 5-14 years old
 - Accept Child Care Circuit vouchers, DCF vouchers, and private pay (income-based, sliding scale)

- Call Pam Lerocque (Director of Finance & Administration) to check on openings
- **Boys and Girls Club:** (978) 458-4526; 657 Middlesex St in Lowell
 - School-age openings for after-school
 - Teens who are working with the Department of Children and Families can call BGC or DCF to see if they're eligible



The Family Leadership Institute

The Family Leadership Institute provides families with the knowledge and skills to partner with schools and communities to ensure their children achieve their full potential.

Throughout the year, the FLI runs a variety of programs including: survival English classes, family college visits, mental health and financial literacy workshops, and more. For more information about the FLI visit: <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/Page/5263> or email FLI Director Zoe Dzineku at zdzineku@lowell.k12.ma.us.

Local Food Support

Do you need support with food options for your family. No need to worry...there are many local groups that can offer support for you during your time of need.

Click the link below for a list of local food pantries that are willing to help.

You can also reach out to Mrs. De La Luz, McAvinnue's Social Worker, for support navigating these and other options at adelaluz@lowell.k12.ma.us.





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Community Vaccination Information

Click the link below to see a comprehensive list of local vaccination options for your child.

Please keep in mind that certain vaccinations are required for students to participate in learning at all Lowell Public Schools.

If you have any questions regarding vaccination requirements, please contact Nurse Danielle at the school. She will be glad to help you out and provide you with the information that you require or request.



Community vaccination sites.pdf

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McAvinnue's Family Read-A-Loud: "Henry and Ella's Big Jar of Kindness"

Henry and Ella's Big Jar of Kindness - Building Empathy for Kids Read Aloud - "Emotional Literacy"

BIG JAR OF KINDNESS



McAvinnue's School Website

Check out our school website where you can find a wealth of information including school news, calendars, and other events.

Please visit our website at:

<https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/mcavinnue>



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You can follow McAvinnue on social media at the following sites! We update things daily and this is a great way to stay in touch with all of the amazing things that are happening inside and out of "the best school we all know"!

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Our Vision

McAvinnue Elementary School is a place...where there are high expectations, where students are academically engaged, where instruction is guided by a systematic approach to examine data, where there is a multi-tiered system of support, and where a responsive environment that fosters social emotional connections between faculty and students prevails.

#McAvinnuePride #BeTheDifference #NextLevel



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