



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. Mild days...colder days...a rain day...and a snow squall...that basically sums everything up for sure!



When we all return on Monday, February 26th, 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 2022-2023 academic school year. However, there will be a new day off from school on March 5th due to the Presidential Primary Election. March will also 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!

As always, we are looking forward to another productive, engaging, and fun 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 this upcoming week:

• Monday. February 26th - McAvinnue Reopens @ 9:10 AM

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.

McAvinnue's Week In Review



McAvinnue's "Reader Of The Week"

McAvinnue's "Reader Of The Week" is Thomas in Room 303. He enjoys reading because it is a really interesting way to learn new things! Thomas enjoys borrowing books from the library every week.



"Reading Buddies" Helping Out With ST Math

Room 307 helping out their Kindergarten "Reading Buddies" on ST Math! We love the supportive partnership of these students!



Grade 2 Shape Glowstick Challenge

Grade 2 students had a blast learning about and practicing various shapes by participating in the "Shape Glowstick Challenge"! Now this is super cool!



McAvinnue's "Artist of the Week"

McAvinnue's "Artist of the Week" is Landen in Room 302! Landen has truly mastered his weaving skills to make a basket. He created a color pattern by repeating light green, dark green, and blue yarn. Superb work Landen!



First Meeting For McAvinnue's Student Council!

McAvinnue's Student Council had it's inaugural meeting before Winter Break! We can't wait to see all of the great things that this group will accomplish during the second half of the school year!



McAvinnue's "Reader Of The Week"

McAvinnue's "Reader Of The Week" is Sean in Room 108!
He loves coming to the library.
The first thing he does is check out books and settle into one of the beanbag chairs to read.
Seans love reading various kinds of books that he feels are fun and exciting!



McAvinnue's "Nature Explorers" Having A Blast!

The "Nature Explorers" have been learning about the winter plans for various animals species during McAvinnue's After School Program! They met a box turtle and discussed brumation (hibernation for reptiles & insects). Also, they met a screech owl who stays active in the winter...and made little owls out of pinecones!

This group also talked about how animals leave behind clues that tell a story—like their tracks in the snow. They created their own tracking stories with special stamps!

McAvinnue's "Morning Announcements"

McAvinnue's "Morning Announcements" are back for the 2023-2024 academic school year!

Like we had successfully done last school year, 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".

You can check out each edition of McAvinnue's Morning Announcements on our YouTube channel using the link below.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7hxiBuRjqjqfASl_RLMleQ

You can check out the latest edition of McAvinnue's Morning Announcements below!



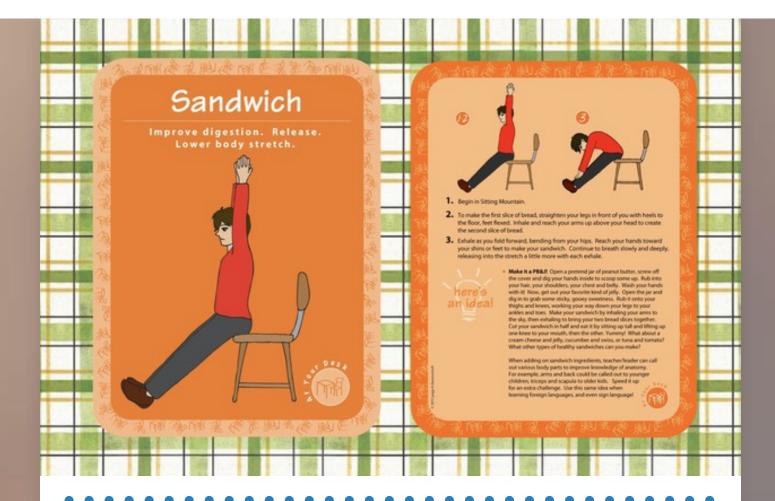
McAvinnue's Yoga Pose Of The Week: "Sandwich" Continued...

We will continue to practice the pose called the "Sandwich" for this up and coming week after the Winter Break. This new pose will allow us to release tension through a lower body stretch that will improve your digestion! We will practice the "Sandwich" pose daily during our "Virtual" Morning Announcements during this up and



coming week on Monday and Friday. Students and classrooms will have a chance to practice this pose on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday based upon their own schedule.

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



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.

School 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

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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 <u>must</u> 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

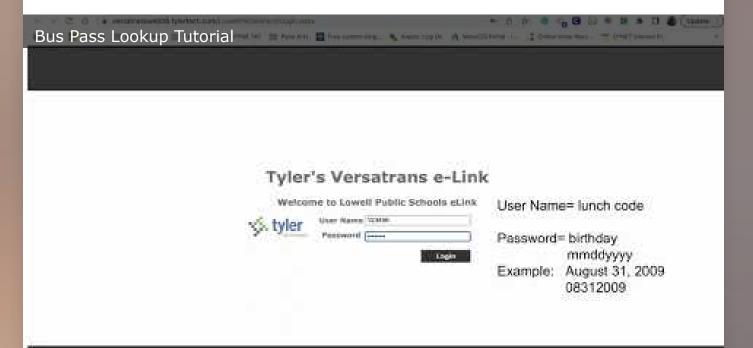
158 Rogers Street. A driver's license or valid identification must be presented to the staff in order to dismiss the student.

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.



Upcoming Events



Here are important dates to remember in the end of February and early March:

- Monday. February 26th McAvinnue Reopens @ 9:10 AM
- Tuesday, February 27th District Kindergarten Classroom Tours Session 1
- Thursday, February 29th McAvinnue's "Lion's Pride" Core Value All School Celebration: February Edition @ 9:30 AM 10:15 AM
- Thursday, February 29th District Kindergarten Classroom Tours Session 2
- Tuesday, March 5th No School: Presidential Primary Election Day
- Tuesday, March 5th McAvinnue's School Site Council Meeting at 6:00 PM 7:00 PM
- Wednesday, March 6th District Early Release Day Student Dismissal at 1:30 PM
- Wednesday, March 6th Lowell School Committee Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- Wednesday, March 13th Mary Poppins Jr. Showcase Grade 4 Wang Middle School Field Trip
 @ 9:45 AM 11:15 AM
- Wednesday, March 13th McAvinnue's Family Science Showcase With Top Secret Science @
 5:15 PM 6:45 PM
- Thursday, March 21st Parent Teacher Conferences @ 3:45 PM 5:45 PM
- Friday, March 22nd Report Card Distribution: PreK Grade 4
- Tuesday, March 25th After School Program Kids In Tech Field Trip MITRE
- Wednesday, March 27th McAvinnue's "Walk-A-Thon" Fundraiser Event (Tentative Date)
- Thursday, March 28th McAvinnue's "Lion's Pride" Core Value All School Celebration: March Edition @ 9:30 AM 10:15 AM
- Friday, March 29th No School: "Good Friday" Holiday

No School - Tuesday, March 5th: Presential Primary Election Day



No School - Tuesday, March 5th

Due to the Presidential Primary Election Day, all schools that are part of the Lowell Public School District will be closed on Tuesday, March 5th.

The reason for the change in the school calendar is that many schools in Lowell are used as precinct voting polls. Due to the anticipated high volume of residents entering and exiting these schools, there was a concern for keeping our schools secure and safe.

The Lowell School Committee recently voted to make this change to the school calendar. Please make the necessary arrangements to be available for your child on this day.

STEAM Studio Family Night Is Back!

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! STEAM Studio Family Night!

FREE night of STEM activities With Top Secret Science!!!



Wednesday, March 13, 2024 5:15 PM -6:45 PM

McAvinnue School Cafeteria

All students are invited to join us for a fun filled night of hands-on STEM activities. Students may attend with one adult family member and will get to take home several experiments that they made during the program!!

This **FREE** amazing fun-filled night is limited to the first 70 students that respond by sending back the bottom portion of the flyer!!! Don't delay and miss this fun filled opportunity!!!! No exceptions will be made as the cafeteria can only hold a limited number of people.

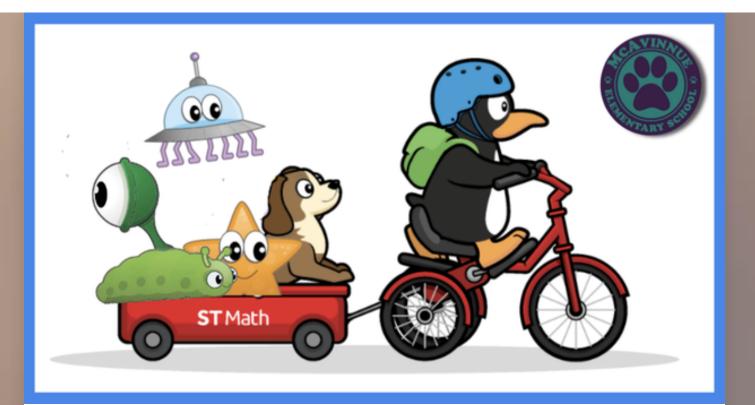
Paper sign-up flyers will be going home in the upcoming weeks! Make sure to look for it in your child's folder, sign up, and send back the bottom portion of the flyer ASAP!!! Don't miss out on a **FREE** fun filled night with your child!

Want to check out more....watch the video below and click the link to see what Top Secret Science is all about!

https://topsecretscience.org/



ST Math Weekly Shout Out!



Here's the weekly ST Math summary for McAvinnue! Again we continue to have successful weeks and remain to be the top school in Lowell with total puzzle completion and percent progress!

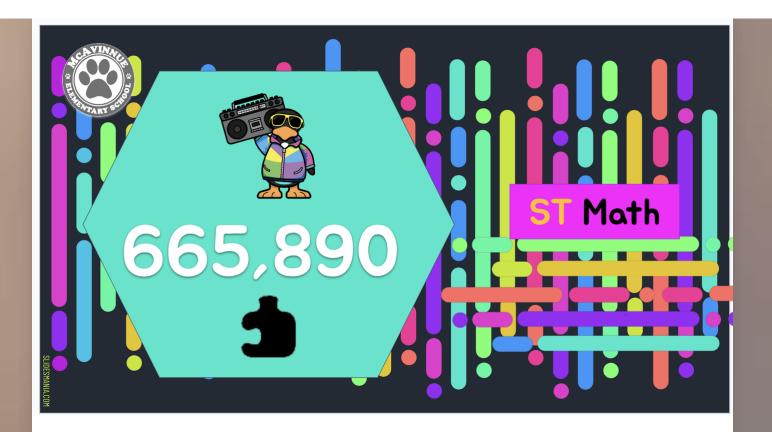
Wowsers! Look at McAvinnue's total ST Math puzzle count! We are at 665,890 total puzzles completed by our students! This is amazing work to say the least!

Our Progress Percentage continues to break records. Our goal on February 16th was 50%. Look at where we are at! Our current percent progress is an unbelievable 73%!

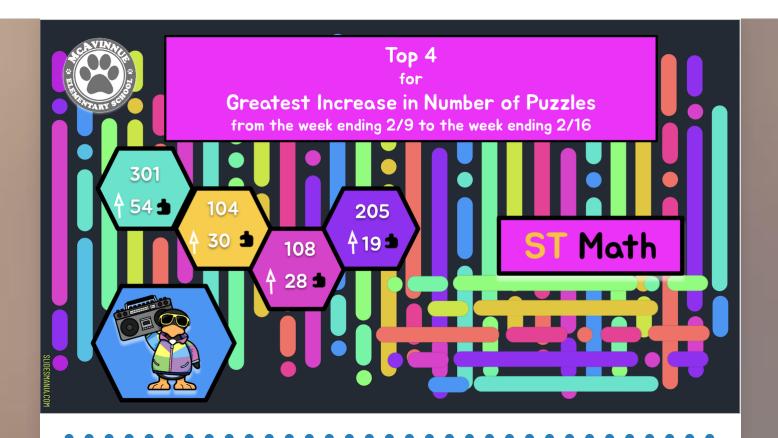
Congratulations to our classrooms which saw the greatest increase in the number of puzzles played from the week ending February 9th to the week ending February 16th!

Next month, we will welcome back Jasmine Howell, our Education Success Manager, for a 2nd session of ST Math Professional Learning for our 2023-2024 school year.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.







ST Math Progress Champions!



McAvinnue's ST Math Progress Champions





Esther Room 201



Soklaus Room 204



Melanie Room 204



McAvinnue's ST Math Progress Champions





Sara Room 204



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Room 104



Adrian Room 302



McAvinnue's ST Math Progress Champions





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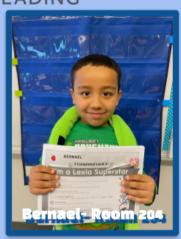
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McAvinnue's Lexia Level Champions









2023-2024 School Year Calendar

Superintendent of Schools-Lowell Public Schools-Lowell, MA 2023-2024 School Year Calendar

Monday, August 28, 2023	Staff Return to School for Staff Orientation Day	
Tuesday, August 29, 2023	First Day of School - Grades 1-12	
Friday, September 1, 2023	No School Labor Day Recess	
Monday, September 4, 2023 *	No School - Labor Day	
Tuesday, September 5, 2023	First Day of School - Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten	
Monday, October 9, 2023 *	No School - Indigenous Peoples' Day	
Tuesday, November 7, 2023	No School for Students -Election Day -Professional Day for Staff	
Friday, November 10, 2023 *	No School - Veterans' Day Observed	
Wednesday, November 22, 2023	Early Dismissal - Thanksgiving Recess	
Thursday, November 23, 2023 *	No School - Thanksgiving Day	
Friday, November 24, 2023 *	No School - Thanksgiving Recess	
Monday, November 27, 2023	Schools Re-Open	
Wednesday, December 6, 2023	Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12	
Friday, December 22, 2023	Winter Vacation Begins at the Close of Day	
Monday, December 25, 2023*	Christmas Duy	
Tuesday, December 26, 2023*	Central Office and Family Resource Office Closed	
Sunday, December 31, 2023	New Year's Eve	
Monday, January 1, 2024*	New Year's Day	
Tuesday, January 2, 2024	Schools Re-Open	
Wednesday, January 10, 2024	Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12	
Monday, January 15, 2024 *	No School - Martin Luther King, Ir. Day	
Friday, February 16, 2024	February Vacation Begins at the Close of School	
Monday, February 19, 2024 *	President's Day [School Vacation: Monday, February 19 - Friday, February 23, 2024]	
Monday, February 26, 2024	Monday - Schools Re-Open	
Wednesday, March 6, 2024	Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12	
Friday, March 29, 2024 *	No School - Good Friday	
Friday, April 12, 2024	Spring Vacation Begins at the Close of School	
Monday, April 15, 2024 *	Patriot's Day - [School Vacation: Monday, April 15 - Friday, April 19, 2024]	
Monday, April 22, 2024	Schools Re-Open	
Monday, May 27, 2024 *	No School - Memorial Day	
Tuesday, June 11, 2024	180° School Day	
Tuesday, June 18, 2024	185° School Day [Includes five (5) Snow Days]	
Wednesday, June 19, 2024 *	Juneteenth	



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providers.

Parent & Family Resources

Student Handbook 2023-2024

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 Updated 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

number of consecutive absences within a short period of time.

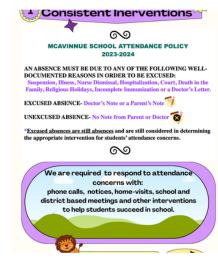


The McAvinnue Attendnace Team will monitor student attendance on a weekly basis and will reach our directly to families when they notice frequent absences, a pattern of absences, or an increased

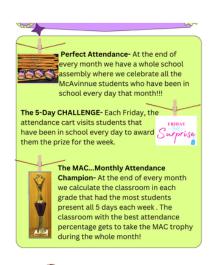
Please refer to McAvinnue's Student Attendance Booket below that will provide additional information. This booket will be sent home with students in multiple languages. It is important that you review this information for your own awareness and to be fully prepared to support your child with the first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

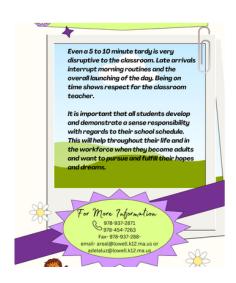












Breakfast and Lunch Will Be Free for All LPS Students

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 <u>LPS Food and Nutrition website</u>.

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 Break

28 Country Chicken Biscuit

All Day Energy Plater

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February Breakfast & Lunch Menu

Sausage, Egg, and Chee Bagel Sandwich Chocolate Chip Muffin



Breakfast Menu

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.

Check out https://lowellk12ma.nutrislice.com/ for Menu's, Nutrition Education & Monthly Promotions! Questions or concerns

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Strawberry Filled Bagel

Chocolate Chip Muffin

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	14 Sausage, Egg, and Cheese Bagel Sandwich Oatmeal Chocolate Chip Betty Crocker Bar with Graham Crackers Served with Strawberries & Clementines	15 Egg and Cheese Wake Up Wrap Nature Valley Breakfast Round Served with Fresh Fruit Cup & Juice	16 Mini Cinnamon Creamy Cheese Bagels Mixed Berry Yogurt Parfait Served with Apples and Bananas
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29 Blueberry Mini Waffle

Served with Fresh Fruit Cup & Juice

UBR Round

Egg and Cheese Wake Up Wrap

Served with Apples &



February Breakfast Menu 2024.pdf

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February Lunch Menu 2024.pdf

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Emergency Contact Form: 2023-2024

Get a jump start now and complete your emergency contact form for the 2023-2024 academic school year?



We have made it really easy for you to complete this important task. You can access the online form below. When you complete this form, it is immediately sent

to McAvinnue and we will print it out for our records.

You don't need to come to the school to complete this form...you can do it right on your phone, tablet, or computer!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. De La Luz at <u>adelaluz@lowell.k12.ma.us</u> or contact the Main Office at McAvinnue for support!



Emergency Form Formulario de Emergencia Formulário de Emergência 2023-2024

Sign in to Google to save your progress. Learn more

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.

Community Connections & Opportunities



Spring Baseball & Softball Recreation League Registration

Please see the information below regarding 2024 Spring Baseball & Softball Recreation League Registration. The flyer is offered in mutiple languages for your convenience.



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Our website can be translated into multiple languag

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- Nosso site pode ser traduzido para vários idiomas • គេហទំព័ររបស់យើងអាចបកប្រែជាច្រើនភាសា







Spanish Flyer

Portuguese Flyer

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Winter Playground Opportunities - January 8th - April 5th

Check out some playground opportunities including how to sign up using the scan code below.



Kids Winter Wiggles - February 17th - February 24th (Winter Break)

Do you have a child that is between the ages of 2-5 and not sure what to do during the Winter Break in February? Look no further...check out the information below regarding the fun opportunity including how to sign up using the scan code.



FREE COVID-19 Tests

With an increase in COVID-19 cases, this is a good time to remind you all of the current COVID protocol for public schools, which can be found here:

https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-isolation-and-exposure-guidance-for-children-and-staff-in-child-care-k-12-out-of-school-time-ost-and-recreational-campprogram-settings? fbclid=lwAR24BK80e6lAiisGU4enilSFTPrZ1-z7PoNp5nRovlR1ApBTpt7722BFw2g

Additionally, FREE at-home COVID tests are again available. To claim yours, visit https://special.usps.com/testkits or call (800)-232-0233.



Mill City Grows Indoor Mobile Market

Thursday, November 16th will marka the kickoff of Mill City Grows Indoor Winter Mobile Market season! Come shop with us at the City of Lowell Senior Center from 9:00 AM -11:30 AM, and stock up on fresh produce for your holiday week!



Check out the flyer below for more information.



MillCityGrows.org 978-455-2620

INDOOR WINTER FARMERS MARKETS 2023 - 2024 ★ Lowell, MA

Fresh, seasonal, locally grown produce!

Ask about our payment options! SNAP/EBT, HIP, APPLE PAY, WELLSENSE CASH, CREDIT, DEBIT

University Crossing (in the lobby) 220 Pawtucket Street

Parking at Pawtucket St. metered lot

Select Wednesdays 1pm - 4pm

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2024 January 10 8 24 February 7821 March 6 & 20 April 3

Lowell Senior Center (in the cafeteria) 276 Broadway Street

Parking on site

Select Thursdays 9am - 11:30am

2023 November 16 & 30 December 14

2024 January 11 & 25 February 8 & 22 March 7821







Lowell General Hospital





Positive Parenting Training Session

Here is a great opportunity for parents of students that are in PreK or Kindergarten. The sessions start on November 15th. Follow-up sessions will occur on December 13th, January 10th, January 24th, and February 7th.



Sessions will start at 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM at the James Houlares Early Learning at 126 Phonix Avenue, Lowell, MA.

Please see the fly below for more details. If you are interested in signing up for this helpful opportunity, you can click the link below to access the registration form:

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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!





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, <u>wma@commteam.org</u>
 - 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, <u>kshannon@commteam.org</u> 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.

- 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.

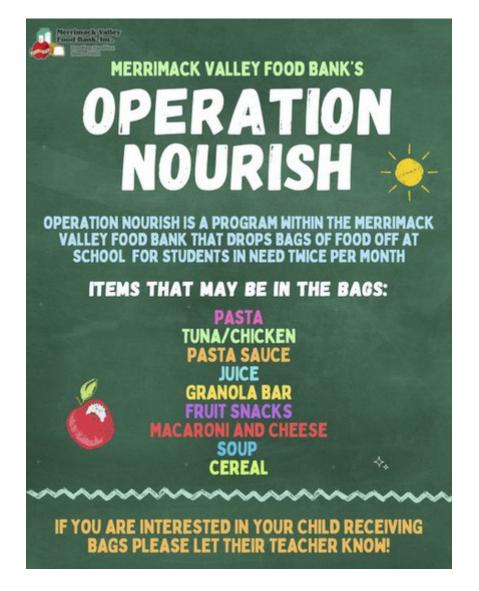
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Operation Nourish

Food insecurity is a serious issue for many Lowell Public Schools families. Help is available. The Merrimack Valley Food Bank offers "Operation Nourish" in ALL of our schools. This program provides a bag of food for students to take home two Fridays each month. Please contact the school directly if your family is interested in joining this program.



Community Vaccination Information

Community vaccination sites.pdf

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McAvinnue's Virtual Family Read-A-Loud: "The Very Cold, Freezing, No-Number Day"

The Very Cold, Freezing, No-Number Day! | Animated Read Aloud Kids Book | Vooks Narrated Storybooks | FREEZING



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



Follow McAvinnue On Social Media

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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