

# The Lion's Roar

McAvinnue's Community Newsletter: Week Of August 28th

## MCAVINNUE'S PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello McAvinnue Community!

I hope that everyone had an amazing time during the Summer break with family and friends doing the things that you love the most! The weather has been less than ideal with all of the rainy days. However, I am certain that you used all of your creativity and did the best that you could to enjoy all of the positive memories that you made As they say...time flies when you're having fun...and we are gearing up to launch another tremendous school year!



Once again, our amazing custodial maintenance team has been hard at work getting the building ready, both inside and out, and our faculty have been taking the time to make their classrooms and learning spaces feel like welcoming environments for our students. Hopefully you and your kids are as excited as I am for the start of what is going to be an amazing year! I have a feeling that the 2023-2024 academic school year will be a special one for everyone!

Just as a reminder...the new school year begins on Tuesday, August 29th for our Grade 1 - 4 students and next Tuesday, September 6th for our Pre-K and Kindergarten students. This week's newsletter is full of information to help get you and your child ready to start the year. Some of this information includes:

- Logistics for Arrival and Dismissal
- Bus Look-up Tool
- Dates to Remember and more!

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 week:

- **Monday, August 28th - Faculty Report to School; Faculty Professional Development @ 9:10 AM**
- **Tuesday, August 29th - First Day For Grades 1 - 4**
- **Wednesday, August 30th - PreK & Kindergarten Open House/Orientation; Session 1 @ 10:00 AM; Session 2 @ 1:00 PM (Kindergarten Only)**
- **Friday, September 1st - Monday, September 4th - No School: Observance of Labor Day**

- Tuesday, September 5th - First Day of School for Pre-K and Kindergarten Students
- Friday, September 22nd - McAvinnue's "Back To School Bash"

You will find additional details for the events and activities list above in this edition of McAvinnue's "Lion's Roar" Community Newsletter.

We are looking forward to a fantastic first short week back with some of our students at the "best school that we all know"!

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](mailto:mdomina@lowell.k12.ma.us).

## **"Back-to-School Block" Party – Sunday, August 27th**

Come out to John E. Sheehy Park at 499 Pawtucket St. on Sunday, August 27th from 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM for a "Back to School" event put on by many community representatives and organizations. Lowell Public Schools will have a tent with backpacks and school supplies to give away while supplies last.

A vibrant yellow poster for a 'Back-to-School Block Party'. At the top right, a red brushstroke banner says 'Save the date!'. The main title 'BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY' is in large, bold, blue letters. Below the title, the event details are listed: 'Sunday, August 27th, 2023', '3-6 PM', 'John E. Sheehy Park', and '499 Pawtucket St.'. A line drawing of a blue and yellow backpack is on the left. The text 'Get ready for school with free backpacks and supplies!\* Join us for food and live music!' is in bold. A note below says '\* While supplies last. The child must be present in order to receive the school supplies.' The host information follows: 'This event is hosted by Mayor Sokhary Chau in partnership with the City Manager's Office, CMAA, and Tenesha Scarlett.' Contact information for Event Coordinator Tenesha Scarlett is provided: 'Please email Event Coordinator Tenesha Scarlett at [tenesha.scarlett@yahoo.com](mailto:tenesha.scarlett@yahoo.com) with any questions.' At the bottom, it says 'Special thanks to the sponsors of the Back-to-School Block Party! More sponsors are to be announced.' and the Lowell Public Schools logo is in the bottom left corner.

**Save the date!**

# BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY

Sunday, August 27th, 2023  
3-6 PM  
John E. Sheehy Park  
499 Pawtucket St.

**Get ready for school with free backpacks and supplies!\* Join us for food and live music!**

\* While supplies last. The child must be present in order to receive the school supplies.

This event is hosted by Mayor Sokhary Chau in partnership with the City Manager's Office, CMAA, and Tenesha Scarlett.

Please email Event Coordinator Tenesha Scarlett at [tenesha.scarlett@yahoo.com](mailto:tenesha.scarlett@yahoo.com) with any questions.

Special thanks to the sponsors of the Back-to-School Block Party!  
More sponsors are to be announced.



## Are You Ready To Return To School?

We are super excited to welcome our students to the 2023-2024 academic school year on the following dates:

- **Tuesday, August 29th @ 9:10 AM - Grades 1 - 4**
- **Tuesday, September 5th @ 9:10 AM - PreK & Kindergarten**

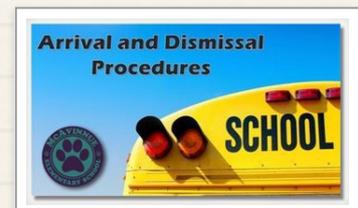
If you have any specific questions, please reach out directly to your child's classroom teacher or contact the Main Office at McAvinnue for support.



## 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 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



## UPCOMING EVENTS



Here are important dates to remember for the first month of the school year:

- **Monday, August 28th** - Faculty Report to School; Faculty Professional Development @ 9:10 AM
- **Tuesday, August 29th** - First Day For Grades 1 - 4

- Wednesday, August 30th - PreK & Kindergarten Open House/Orientation; Session 1 @ 10:00 AM; Session 2 @ 1:00 PM (Kindergarten Only)
- Friday, September 1st - Monday, September 4th - No School: Observance of Labor Day
- Tuesday, September 5th - First Day of School for Pre-K and Kindergarten Students
- Thursday, September 21st - Grade 4 Field Trip: Patriots Hall Of Fame STEAM Showcase
- Friday, September 22nd - McAvinnue's "Back To School Bash"
- Friday, September 29th - McAvinnue's "Lions Pride" All School Core Value Celebration @ 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM

## 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

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

<b>Monday, August 28, 2023</b>	<b>Staff Return to School for Staff Orientation Day</b>
Tuesday, August 29, 2023	<b>First Day of School – Grades 1-12</b>
Friday, September 1, 2023	No School - Labor Day Recess
<b>Monday, September 4, 2023 *</b>	<b>No School – Labor Day</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 5, 2023</b>	<b>First Day of School – Pre-Kindergarten &amp; Kindergarten</b>
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
<b>Wednesday, November 22, 2023</b>	<b>Early Dismissal – Thanksgiving Recess</b>
Thursday, November 23, 2023 *	No School - Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 24, 2023 *	No School – Thanksgiving Recess
Monday, November 27, 2023	Schools Re-Open
<b>Wednesday, December 6, 2023</b>	<b>Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12</b>
Friday, December 22, 2023	Winter Vacation Begins at the Close of Day
Monday, December 25, 2023 *	Christmas Day
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
<b>Wednesday, January 10, 2024</b>	<b>Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12</b>
Monday, January 15, 2024 *	No School – Martin Luther King, Jr. 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
<b>Wednesday, March 6, 2024</b>	<b>Wednesday - Early Release for grades PreK-12</b>
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 <sup>th</sup> School Day
Tuesday, June 18, 2024	185 <sup>th</sup> School Day [Includes five (5) Snow Days]
Wednesday, June 19, 2024 *	Juneteenth



Approved by the Lowell School Committee at their meeting of

\* 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	16
October	21	March	20
November	18	April	17
December	16	May	22
		June	7



School Calendar 2023-2024.pdf

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**PreK & Kindergarten Orientation Open House**

We are excited to welcome our Pre-K and Kindergarten students to school on Tuesday, September 5th!

We will be hosting an "Orientation Day" on Wednesday, August 30th. This will be a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher, check out the classroom, and learn about many important things connected to our school!

Here are the details for each grade level:

- PreK @ 10:00 AM
- Kindergarten @ 10:00 AM (Session 1); 1:00 PM (Session 2)

Kindergarten families can choose to attend either Session 1 or Session 2 depending which time works better for your schedule.

We are looking forward to meeting some of our newest McAvinnue Lions on Wednesday, August 30th!



## McAvinnue's School Site Council

McAvinnue's Site Council is a group of faculty, parents, and community stakeholders who come together to help drive the instructional focus of the McAvinnue Elementary School. We look at student data and make decisions about the school's Quality Improvement Plan and budget.



We need one additional parent to join this important group. The commitment is one, one-hour, meeting each month usually on Zoom. As we hit budget season in February-April, there will be other meetings added.

If you would like to be a part of the team, please fill out the form below. If you have questions, please reach out to Mr. Domina at [mdomna@lowell.k12.ma.us](mailto:mdomna@lowell.k12.ma.us).



## McAvinnue's School Site Council Interest Form

Please complete the information below if you are interested in joining McAvinnue's School Site Council.

McAvinnue's Site Council is a group of faculty, parents, and community stakeholders who come together to help drive the instructional focus of the McAvinnue Elementary School. We look at student data and make decisions

### PARENT & FAMILY RESOURCES

#### 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](mailto:foodservice@lowell.k12.ma.us)

# Breakfast & Lunch Menus: August/September



**LOWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Breakfast MENU**

**September 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](mailto: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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<p>28</p> <p><b>Welcome Back to School!</b></p>	<p>29</p> <p>Mixed Berry Yogurt Parfait</p> <p>Blueberry Muffin</p> <p>Served with Oranges &amp; Juice</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Powdered Sugar Donut</p> <p>Assorted Cereal Bar with Graham Crackers</p> <p>Served with Strawberries &amp; Clementines</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Bacon, Egg, and Cheese on an English Muffin</p> <p>Oatmeal Raisin Breakfast Round</p> <p>Served with Fresh Fruit Cup &amp; Juice</p>	<p>1</p> <p><b>No School Labor Day Recess</b></p>
<p>4</p> <p><b>No School Labor Day Recess</b></p>	<p>5</p> <p>Cinnamon Roll</p> <p>Chocolate Chip Muffin</p> <p>Served with Oranges &amp; Juice</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Country Chicken Biscuit</p> <p>Double Chocolate Betty Crocker Bar with Graham Crackers</p> <p>Served with Strawberries &amp; Clementines</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Blueberry Mini Waffle</p> <p>UBR Round</p> <p>Served with Fresh Fruit Cup &amp; Juice</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Chocolate Filled Crescent Bagel with Cream Cheese</p> <p>Served with Apples &amp; Bananas</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Cinnamon Raisin Bagel</p> <p>Assorted Cereal Bowl with Graham Cracker</p> <p>Served with Apples &amp; Pears</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Sausage, Egg, and Cheese Bagel Sandwich</p> <p>Chocolate Chip Muffin</p> <p>Served with Oranges &amp; Juice</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Apple Frudel</p> <p>Assorted Cereal Bar with Graham Crackers</p> <p>Served with Strawberries &amp; Clementines</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Egg and Cheese English Muffin</p> <p>Cranberry Orange Oatmeal Round</p> <p>Served with Fresh Fruit Cup &amp; Juice</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Mixed Berry Scone</p> <p>Bagel with Cream Cheese</p> <p>Served with Apples &amp; Bananas</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Nature Valley Chocolate Chip Breakfast Round</p> <p>Assorted Cereal Bowl with Graham Crackers</p> <p>Served with Apples &amp; Pears</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Mixed Berry Yogurt Parfait</p> <p>Blueberry Muffin</p> <p>Served with Oranges &amp; Juice</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Maple Mini Waffles</p> <p>Benefit Bar</p> <p>Served with Strawberries &amp; Clementines</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Sausage, Egg, and Cheese Wake up Wrap</p> <p>UBR Round</p> <p>Served with Fresh Fruit Cup &amp; Juice</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Cinnamon Roll</p> <p>Bagel with Cream Cheese</p> <p>Served with Apples and Bananas</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Blueberry Breakfast Bread</p> <p>Assorted Cereal Bowl with Graham Crackers</p> <p>Served with Apples &amp; Pears</p>	<p>26</p> <p>French Toast Sticks</p> <p>Chocolate Chip Muffin</p> <p>Served with Oranges &amp; Juice</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Sausage, Egg, and Cheese Bagel Sandwich</p> <p>Oatmeal Chocolate Chip Betty Crocker Bar with Graham Crackers</p> <p>Served with Strawberries &amp; Clementines</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Chocolate Filled Crescents</p> <p>Nature Valley Breakfast Round</p> <p>Served with Fresh Fruit Cup &amp; Juice</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Mini Cinnamon Creamy Cheese Bagels</p> <p>Bagels with Cream Cheese</p> <p>Served with Apples and Bananas</p>

# AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2023 Elementary Lunch Menu

**Breakfast and Lunch is 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 served with milk.  
Sunbutter and Jelly and Vegetarian Meals served daily.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
28 <b>Welcome Back To School!</b>	29 Lowell Grande Nachos Crispy Chicken Sandwich & Spicy Crispy Chicken Sandwich  Bagel Power Pack V LG Moroccan Harissa Chicken Wrap LG  Kickin' Beans & Broccoli Oranges & Apples	30 Penne Bolognese with a Breadstick Cheese Quesadilla V  Ham Chef Salad with Flatbread LG Italian Sub  Cucumbers & Carrots LG Bananas & Berry Cup	31 Cheese Pizza V Pepperoni Pizza  Bagel Power Pack V LG Moroccan Harissa Chicken Wrap LG  Green Beans & Carrots LG Pears & Fresh Fruit Cup	1 <b>No School Labor Day Recess</b>
4 <b>No School Labor Day Recess</b>	5 Arroz con Pollo BBQ Chicken and Cheddar Flatbread  Chocolate Hummus Platter V Caprese Chicken Sub LG  Street Corn Salad & Carrots LG Clementines & Apples	6 Buffalo Chicken Mac and Cheese with a Breadstick Mac and Cheese with a Breadstick V Crispy Chicken Sandwich Chicken Caesar Salad with Flatbread LG Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Roasted Broccoli & Carrots LG Bananas & Berry Cup	7 Chili Garlic Popcorn Chicken Lo Mein Pizza Crunchers V  Chocolate Hummus Platter V Caprese Chicken Sub LG  Celery Sticks & Kale Caesar Salad LG Pears & Fresh Fruit Cup	8 Cheese Pizza V Hawaiian Pizza  Chicken Caesar Salad with Flatbread LG Turkey & Cheese Sandwich  Red Pepper Strips & Side Salad LG Apples & Bananas
11 French Toast Sticks with Chicken Sausage or Vegetarian Sausage V Hamburgers & Cheeseburgers Greek Salad with Flatbread LG Chicken Salad Sandwich Tater Tots & Roasted Butternut Squash Apples & Peaches	12 LTO: Chipotle Cheesy Bean Nachos V Crispy Chicken Sandwich & Spicy Crispy Chicken Sandwich  Yogurt & Fruit Power Pack V Greek Chicken Wrap LG Chic Pea Salad & Fiesta Corn Oranges & Apples	13 Chicken Parmesan with Penne Cheese Quesadilla V Greek Salad with a Flatbread LG Chicken Salad Sandwich on a Bulky Roll  Oven Roasted Green Beans & Carrots LG Bananas & Berry Cups	14 General Tao's Beef and Broccoli with Fried Rice Chicken Tenders with A Dinner Roll  Fruit & Yogurt Power Pack V Greek Chicken Wrap LG  Broccoli & Carrots LG Pears & Fresh Fruit Cup	15 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
18 <b>National Cheeseburger Day</b> Hamburger & Cheeseburgers Chicken Biryani Chickpea Biryani V Kale Chicken Caesar Salad with Flatbread LG Ham and Cheese Sandwich Broccoli & Carrots LG Apple & Pears	19 Chicken Fajita with a Tortilla Wrap Black Bean Taco V Bosco Cheese Sticks with Marinara V  Pizza Platter Chicken Caesar Wrap LG  Roasted Chickpeas & Cucumbers Clementines & Apples	20 Shepherd's Pie with a Dinner Roll Vegetarian Nuggets with A Roll V Fish and Chips with Coleslaw and A Dinner Roll Kale Chicken Caesar Salad with Flatbread LG Ham and Cheese Sandwich Corn & Carrots LG Bananas & Berry Cup	21 Chicken & Vegetable Dumplings with Mixed Veggies Edamame Dumplings with Mixed Veggies V Chicken Parmesan Sub Pizza Platter Chicken Caesar Wrap LG Green Beans & Carrots LG Pears & Fresh Fruit Cups	22 Cheese Pizza V BBQ Chicken Pizza  Kale Chicken Caesar Salad with Flatbread LG Ham and Cheese Sandwich  Red Pepper Strips & Side Salad LG Apples & Bananas
25 Lok Lak with Rice Pizza Cruncher V  Asian Chicken Salad with Flatbread LG Tuna Salad Sandwich on a Bulky Roll  Side Salad LG & Green Beans Apples & Pears	26 Pork Carnitas Taco on a Tortilla Wrap Hamburger & Cheeseburger Black Bean Burger V Pretzel Platter V Turkey BLT Sub LG Zesty Coleslaw & Broccoli Oranges & Apples	27 Pasta Primavera with a Breadstick V Chicken Tenders with a Dinner Roll Asian Chicken Salad with Flatbread LG Tuna Salad Sandwich on a Bulky Roll Cucumbers & Carrots LG Bananas & Berry Cup	28 Waffles with Chicken Sausage Cheesy Potato Breakfast Bake V  Pretzel Platter Turkey BLT Sub LG  Roasted Veggies & Green Beans Pears & Fresh Fruit Cup	29 <b>World Vegetarian Day</b> Cheese Pizza V Margarita Pizza V LG Garden Salad with Cheese and a Dinner Roll V LG Bagel Power Pack V LG Roasted Chickpeas & Red Peppers Apples & Bananas

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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 [adelaluz@lowell.k12.ma.us](mailto:adelaluz@lowell.k12.ma.us) or contact the Main Office at McAvinnue for support!



## Emergency Form Formulario de Emergencia Formulário de Emergência 2023- 2024

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### LPS Connector Newsletter: Summer Edition

The LPS Connector is a monthly newsletter that highlights the happenings of the previous month in all Lowell Public Schools. Check it out for some cool articles and pictures of the great things happening in our district.



Click below for the Summer edition of the LPS Connector which includes highlights from many of the summer programs put on by the district, new district and school leadership, and access to important information regarding transportation and the Family Leadership Institute.

Click the button below to access this Smore Newsletter!

[Click Here To Access The Summer Newsletter](#)

## 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 occurring 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](#)

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS & OPPORTUNITIES



# 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](mailto:wma@commteam.org)
      - Karen 978-729-7216, [kshannon@commteam.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.



Greater-Lowell-Area-Pantry-List 8-27-20 (1).xlsx

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## Community Vaccination Information



Community vaccination sites.pdf

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## MCAVINNUE'S FAMILY READ-A-LOUD

### "THE CRAYONS GO BACK TO SCHOOL"

The Crayons Go Back to School - Animated Read Aloud Book (with Messy Craft at



## 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"!



FaceBook:

<https://www.facebook.com/McAvinnueElementarySchool>

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/McAvinnueLPS>

Instagram:

<http://instagram.com/mcavinnueelementarylps>

YouTube:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7hxiBuRjqjgfASI\\_RLMleQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7hxiBuRjqjgfASI_RLMleQ)



## Our Vision

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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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