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# MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR ENROLLMENT INFORMATION PRE-KINDERGARTEN – HIGH SCHOOL

## IMPORTANT DATES: PRE-KINDERGARTEN — HIGH SCHOOL

- Oct 15- Nov 7, 2016** Visit Our Schools – please see the schedule of tour dates below
- Oct 26 Dec 8** Middle & High School Information Nights – please Visit website or call Student Placement for details
- Feb 4, 2017** School requests due for priority placement
- March 29, 2017** Placement letters mailed
- April 1, 2017** Kindergarten *early admission* deadline
- April 7, 2017** High school placement appeal deadline
- April 21, 2017** High school appeal letters mailed
- May 2, 2017** Citywide kindergarten registration day
- Mid August** Bus stop postcards mailed
- Aug 28, 2017** First day of school - grades 1-12
- Aug 30, 2017** First day of school - High Five and kindergarten
- Sept 4, 2017** Labor Day - no school

## CONTACTS:

- **Student Placement Services**  
Davis Center (between Fremont & Girard)  
1250 W. Broadway Ave, Minneapolis 55411  
612.668.1840
- **New Families Center**  
Wilder Complex (34<sup>th</sup> & Chicago Av, Door 1)  
Student Placement & English Assessment  
3345 Chicago Avenue, Minneapolis 55407  
612.668.3700
- **Early Childhood Screening -**  
612.668.3715  
Screening is available at the above locations. It is recommended for all children beginning at age three; and is required for children entering High Five and kindergarten. Please call for an appt.

## VISIT OUR SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN - October 15 - Nov 7, 2016

All elementary schools (H5-5 & H5-8) will be open for visits & tours 9:30 - noon:

### Saturday October 15

Everyone is encouraged to visit our schools! Whether you are a prospective parent or interested community member, please come!

Or visit during the day - 10:30 - noon:

- **Tuesday October 18**
- **Tuesday October 25**
- **Tuesday November 1**
- **Monday November 7**

All elementary schools will be open for visits & tours from **4:00-6:00 pm:**

- **Tuesday November 1**

## PRINTABLE MATERIALS AVAILABLE :

Print or view all materials in English, Somali and Spanish at:

<http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>

- Explore MPS catalog (Pre-K - HS book)
- Pre-K, K-8 and high school request forms
- Preparing for Kindergarten booklet

**For additional elementary school tour opportunities, please contact schools you would like to visit. Please call 612-668-1840 or visit [schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us](http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us) for Middle & High School information night dates**

## FINDING INFORMATION:

- MPS Website [www.mpls.k12.mn.us](http://www.mpls.k12.mn.us)
- MPS School Request Center (PK-8) <http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
- MPS High School Request Center <http://highschoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
- School Websites <http://schoolname.mpls.k12.mn.us> (example: <http://webster.mpls.k12.mn.us>)
- MPS Research Evaluation and Assessment Department <http://rea.mpls.k12.mn.us/>
- Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) <http://education.state.mn.us>

## DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR NEW STUDENTS:

All new students need: Birth record (birth certificate, immigration documents or passport), immunization record, record of physical exam. **Additional documents needed for:**

- High Five and kindergarten: Early childhood screening
- High school: Transcripts for completed grades 8-12
- In many cases, proof of address will be required (especially for High Five and high school)

## HIGH FIVE:

High Five is the Minneapolis Public Schools preschool program, located in 29 schools. To be eligible, students must be four years old by September 1. Students who are residents of Minneapolis and qualify for free or reduced price meals are prioritized for placement, followed by those who submit school request cards by the priority deadline date of Feb. 4, 2017.

## KINDERGARTEN:

Students who are five years old by September 1 are eligible for kindergarten. For the best chance to get the school you want, turn in the school request card by the priority deadline date – February 4, 2017. **Note:** High Five students are *not* automatically enrolled in kindergarten. A school request must be submitted for kindergarten placement.

## STUDENTS WHOSE FIRST OR HOME LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH:

Minneapolis Public Schools must assess English language skills of all incoming students who speak a home language other than English to determine whether they qualify for English Learner (EL) support at school. Parents should call the New Families Center, 612.668.3700, to schedule an appointment. Staff members at this office speak multiple languages.