



McKinley

2021-22

Parent Info Session



Welcome Back!

We are excited to see everyone.



Introduction

General Info

Committed to Continuing a Trend of Excellence: McKinley Honors and Awards

McKinley Earns Digital 2019-21 Safety Certification

McKinley teachers completed the rigorous Common Sense certification process and earned McKinley our schoolwide Digital Common Sense Certification!

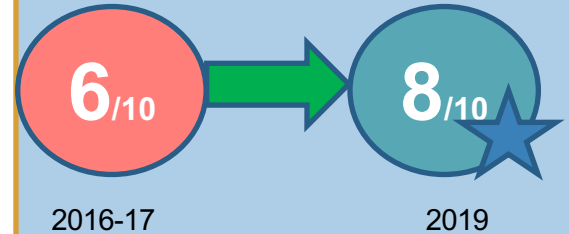


McKinley Receives Niche Ranking of Top 5 Schools in Santa Monica with the Best Teachers!



5 Santa Monica Schools With The Best Teachers For 2020
Curious who the best teachers in Santa Monica are? Here's a ranking that has the answers.
@caed.com

McKinley Increases Great Schools Scores and Rankings



McKinley Earns 2018 Energy Star Certification

McKinley achieved 2018 U.S. EPA Energy Star certification signifying superior energy performance. Energy Star certified buildings are verified to perform in the top 25% of buildings nationwide, use an average 35% less energy, cause an average 35% fewer greenhouse gas emissions, and are less expensive to operate.



McKinley Awarded a CA Honor Roll School

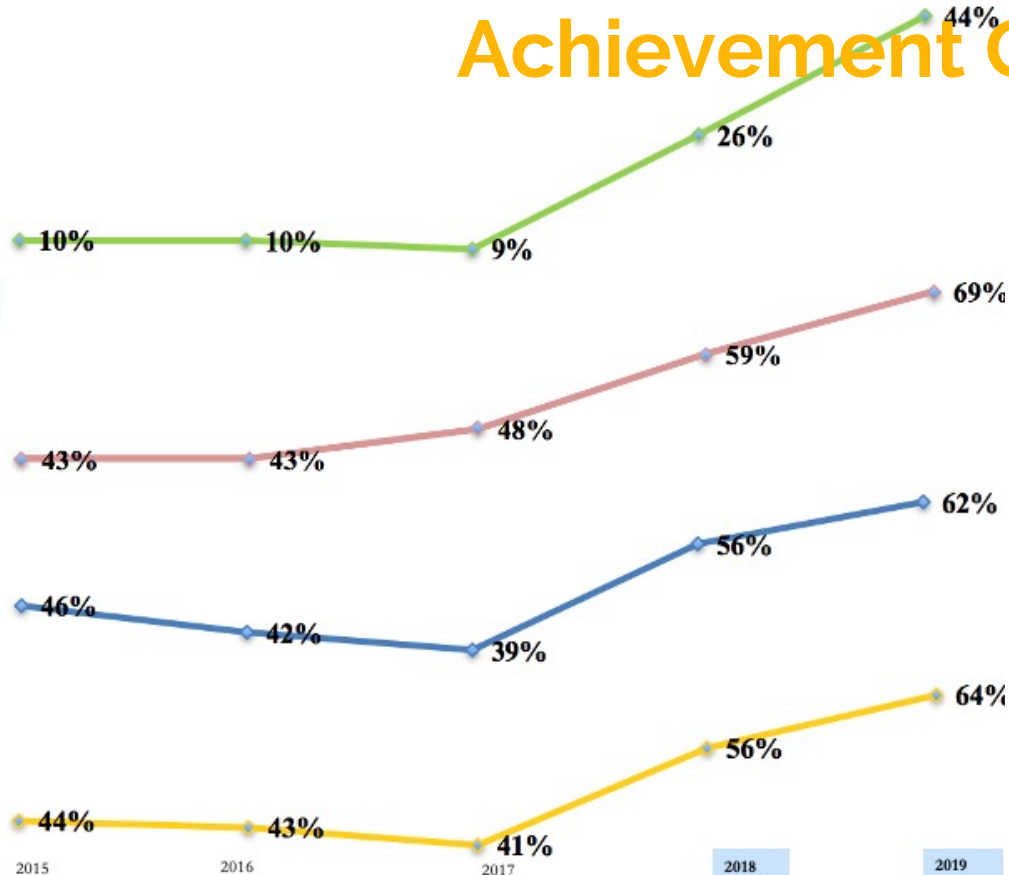


In 2019 McKinley Selected by Edutopia as an Exemplary School to Model Inclusion in a Worldwide Video



McKinley a three-time recipient of the California Title I Academic Achievement Award (2006, 2007, 2011) and a California Distinguished School Award (2010).

Committed to Continuing to Close the Achievement Gap



English Learners
35% Increase

Black/African American
21% Increase

Socioeconomic Disadvantaged
23% Increase

Hispanic
23% Increase

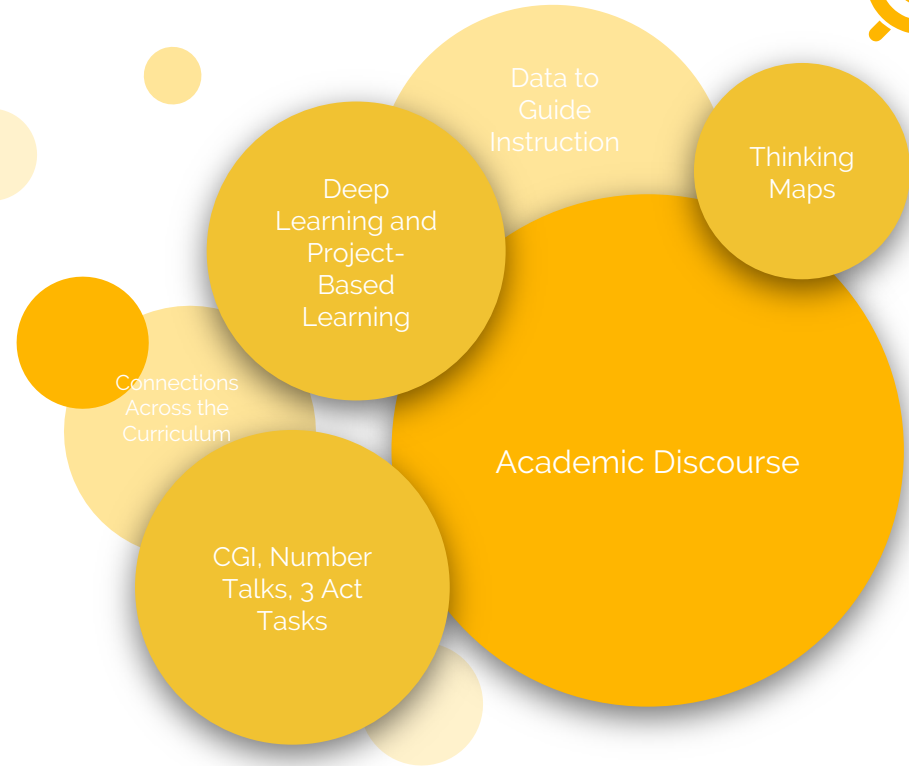


Instructional Plan

- Normal School!
- All subject areas
- Supplemental Enrichment in Visual Arts, Theater, PE, Music, STEM, library, and garden
- Deep Learning service learning projects for global citizenship
- Emphasis on Social Emotional Learning and community building (Daily Community Meetings- Second Step, Olweus, Restorative Justice, Mindfulness, Responsive Classroom, Shared Reading)
- Response to Intervention (RTI) Support systems in place- Intervention Teacher, LLI, Counseling Individual and Groups, Special Ed



Effective Instructional Strategies Still Utilized





Adjusting to **School**

- During the first 2-3 weeks teachers teach routines, procedures, and expectations, and focus on building classroom community. There will be additional time spent and emphasis on social emotional learning, social skills, and building community.
- During the first 2-3 weeks teachers will conduct initial assessments to gather baseline data
- TK/K in particular will need time to build stamina and learn how to learn in-person



In-Person Safety Protocols and Procedures

Safety Protocols- Masks



- Masking Indoors and Outdoors (except when eating/drinking)
 - Families provide own masks; wash daily. If a child doesn't have a mask one will be provided. May pack extras in backpack.
- Benefits of Masks
 - Masks help protect our medically fragile students- working together to keep our McKinley family safe!
 - Students under 12 not vaccinated
 - Consistent messaging and routine
 - Successful last year with wearing masks consistently; may remove when eating



Safety Protocols- Distancing and Grouping

- Social distancing is no longer required, so classrooms will be setup in their traditional format for collaboration and interactive learning
- Stable grouping by classes
 - Yard zones for 1st-5th recess; TK/K stable grouped by grade level at recess
 - Eating by class and grade level
- When Eating unmasked
 - Lunch inside and outside the cafeteria
 - Additional tables purchased for outside
 - Grade levels will eat separately to maximize space
 - Not required but students will sit physically distanced while masks are removed for eating to maximize safety
 - Individually packaged lunches
 - Food free for all this year

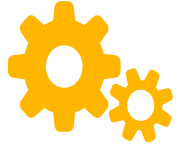


Rainy Day/Heat Day Schedule



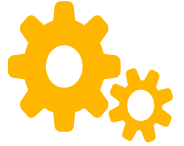
- No social distancing requirement
- Normal rainy day/heat day schedule
 - Recess in the classroom
 - Lunch- Both grade levels in the Caf, sitting with as much distance as possible
 - Lunch Recess- Movie in the auditorium
 - Modified PE in the auditorium or Room 100

Safety Protocols- Health



- Bottle filling stations
 - Mouth-spickets turned off at sinks
 - Bottle filling stations in all classrooms
 - Bottle filling stations located in outside locations
- Hand Sanitizing
 - Installed units in all rooms
 - Stands at gates
 - Staff with loose bottles
- Hand Washing
 - Time for Handwashing built in
 - Fully stocked restrooms
 - Sinks available in classrooms as well
 - Outside mini-sinks

Safety Protocols- Health

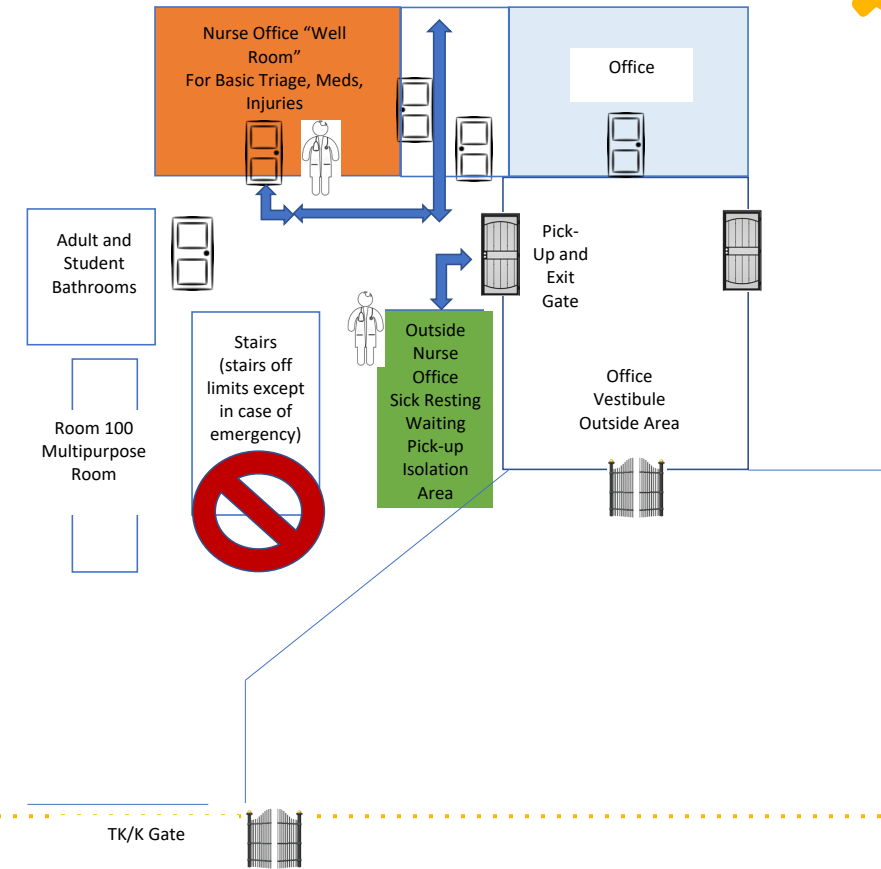
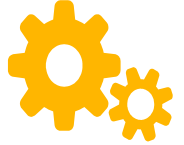


- Custodial Cleaning
 - Monitoring system to ensure regular cleaning
 - Cleaning sprays for different purposes
 - Regular safe cleaning spray in every classroom
- Full HVAC Ventilation System up to DPH Standards
 - Thermostat Fan set to on for circulation
 - Windows/doors open
 - Wall and ceiling fans turned off to reduce air blowing directly on people

Health Office

- Inside- basic triage, meds
- Outside- covid symptoms
- Nurse on-call and on campus part-time
- Health Office Specialist (HOS) full time

McKinley Health Area



Visitor Policy



- PTA/Committee Meetings will be virtual
- Parent/teacher conference meetings may be in-person or virtual
- Volunteering temporarily on hold
- Some school events still to occur with covid-protocols in place



Mandated Staff Vaccination

- All eligible staff must be vaccinated
 - By August 19 all employees must report their covid vaccination status to HR; those who don't will be considered unvaccinated
 - By October 1st employees must be fully vaccinated and have submitted proof to HR
 - Unvaccinated employees will be excluded from campus and deemed absent without leave, unless a district-authorized exemption or accommodation obtained
- Employees with an exemption or accommodation must have 2 PCR tests a week; can only access campus if test is negative

Mandated Covid Testing



- Testing Currently
 - PCR Test and Enhanced Bio Test available at JAMS (results in 1 day)
 - Antigen testing at McKinley (15 min results)- appointments offered twice a week
 - Testing schedule and updates to be eblasted soon
- NEW- Screening Testing
 - Weekly PCR testing of all students and staff
 - Free and on-campus
 - Shallow (just cotton part of qtip in nose) self-administered test
 - Details about the implementation of testing TBD- Plan is for testing to be done by a vendor- Possibly at gates or scheduled by classroom
- NEW- Symptom Testing
 - Bio Fire PCR Test (farther up the nose) if student or staff displaying symptoms- rapid diagnose of several pathogens
 - Administered by Nurse

Quarantine Protocols



- Quarantine if exposed, illness symptoms, or positive test
 - Illness symptoms includes if student has a temperature at gate screening
- Quarantine is 10 days, but the length of time can be reduced to 7 days with a negative PCR covid test on day 5, and asymptomatic or doctor's note explaining alternative diagnosis
- Individual quarantining:
 - Student work packet will be provided by teacher, and assignments given on digital platforms and software
 - Please provide a 1-3 day grace period for student healing from illness and to prepare assignments. Packet can be picked up from the main office.
- Whole class quarantining:
 - Will have class with teacher on Zoom
- If an outbreak (3 or more positive cases in the school that are epidemiologically linked) LA County Department of Public Health makes a determination about school closure
- See the SMMUSD Covid Dashboard <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/6297> for a live covid data sheet that shows number of cases and quarantines at each school site
- Note: No travel quarantine requirement- there is a recommendation, but not a requirement, that unvaccinated people travelling out of state quarantine for 10 days upon return, and get tested on day 5 to reduce the quarantine to 7 days.



Chromebook Checkout

- In case of quarantine, and to access our online resources (Digital Benchmark and MyMath curriculum, google classroom, Clever, Freckle etc.) please have a computer available at home for student learning.
- If you do not have a personal computer, please email mrussell@smmusd.org to checkout a school computer
- 1st-5th students from last year who checked out a Chromebook and/or Hotspot may continue to use it this year

Other Technology Reminders

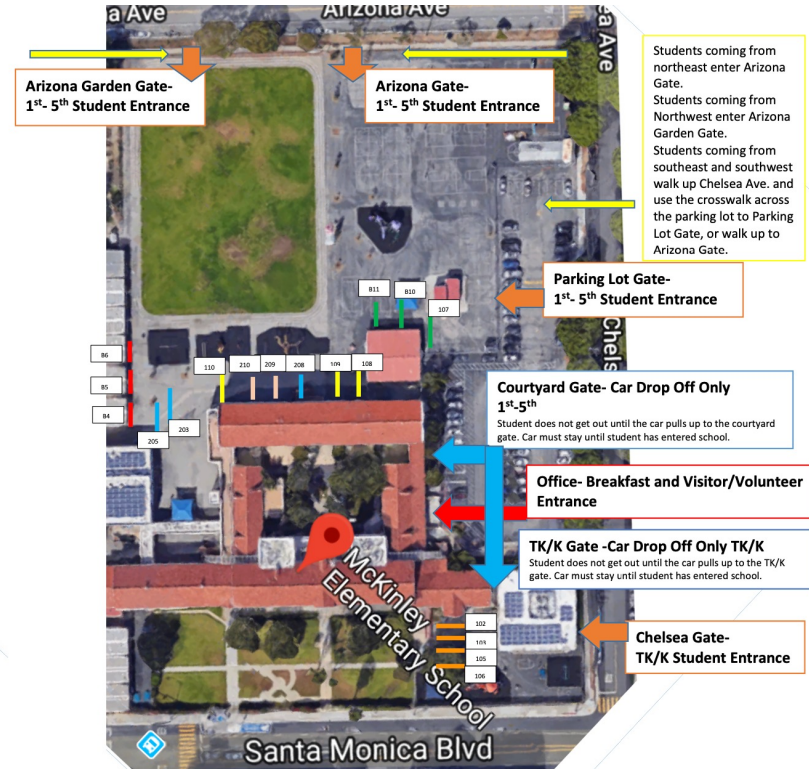


- Uphold the Technology Use Agreement- technology used in a safe, responsible, proper manner in support of instruction.
- Please monitor your child's internet usage to ensure that the student does not engage in unauthorized online activities.
- Student use of district computers to access social networking sites is prohibited.
- School emails are also only to be used for school purposes (not chats or personal communication).
- McKinley is Digital Common Sense School Certified. Teachers will provide age-appropriate instruction regarding safe and appropriate behavior on technology devices.

Drop Off Procedures



- Students coming for breakfast may enter via the front office between 8:00am-8:15am.
- All gates open from 8:15am-8:30am.
- 1st-5th students may enter via the Arizona Garden, Arizona, or Parking Lot Gates. TK/K walking students may enter via the Chelsea Ave Gate.
- Adults may also utilize the Car Drop-Off system through the parking lot from 8:15-8:30am. Students being dropped off via car may enter via the Courtyard Gate (1st-5th) and TK/K Gate (TK/K).
- Gates are student-only access; adults say farewell to their child at the gate and students enter campus on their own.
- There is no play on the playground before school. Students will go directly to their class line up area and may socialize while waiting to be picked up by their teacher.
- Staff will be available on the yard to assist students and supervise.



Pre-Screening Website



- The old website BCHDcovidscreen.org was discontinued. New website is called Company Nurse. You will get an email to register.
- Before coming to school complete the pre-screening app
- Purpose is to stop and think before sending students to school
- Once answering the questions you get a green screen- come to school
- Once answering the questions you get a red screen- don't come to school; contact the school nurse
- Show the green screen at the gate as a "fast pass." If you forgot, there is a QR code at the gate, or student will be asked the questions by the gate monitor

SCREENING QUESTIONNAIRE


STOP

Feeling Sick?


Stay home when you are sick!


If you feel unwell or have the following symptoms
please leave the building and contact your health care provider.
Notify your supervisor and school nurse.

DO NOT ENTER if you have symptoms such as:



Cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing





Fever or chills

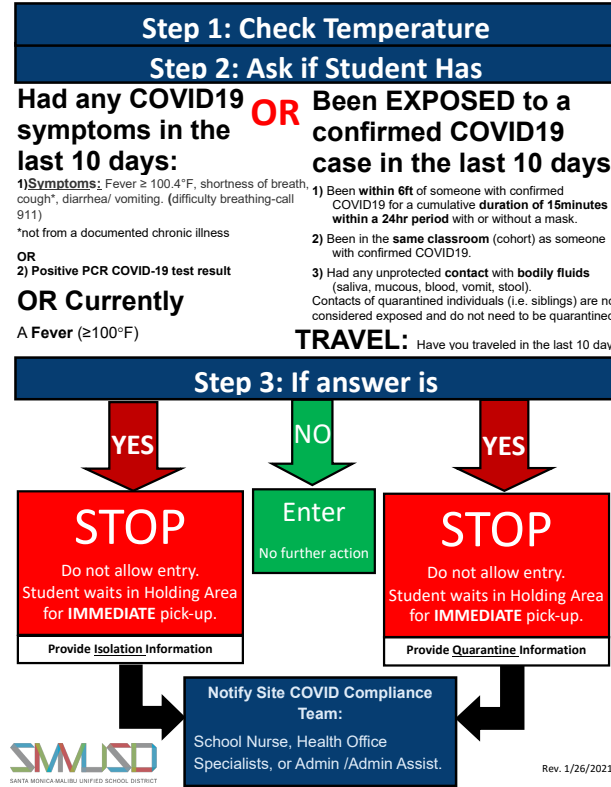


PLEASE ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS:

- Did any of the following symptoms appear within the last 10 days?
 - Cough
 - Fever (at or over 100.4° F)
 - Shortness of breath
 - Chills
 - Difficulty breathing
- Is your temperature above normal (at or over 100.4° F)?
- Have you had contact with a person known to be infected with or suspected to have COVID-19 within the last 14 days?

DO NOT ENTER IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO ANY OF THE QUESTIONS

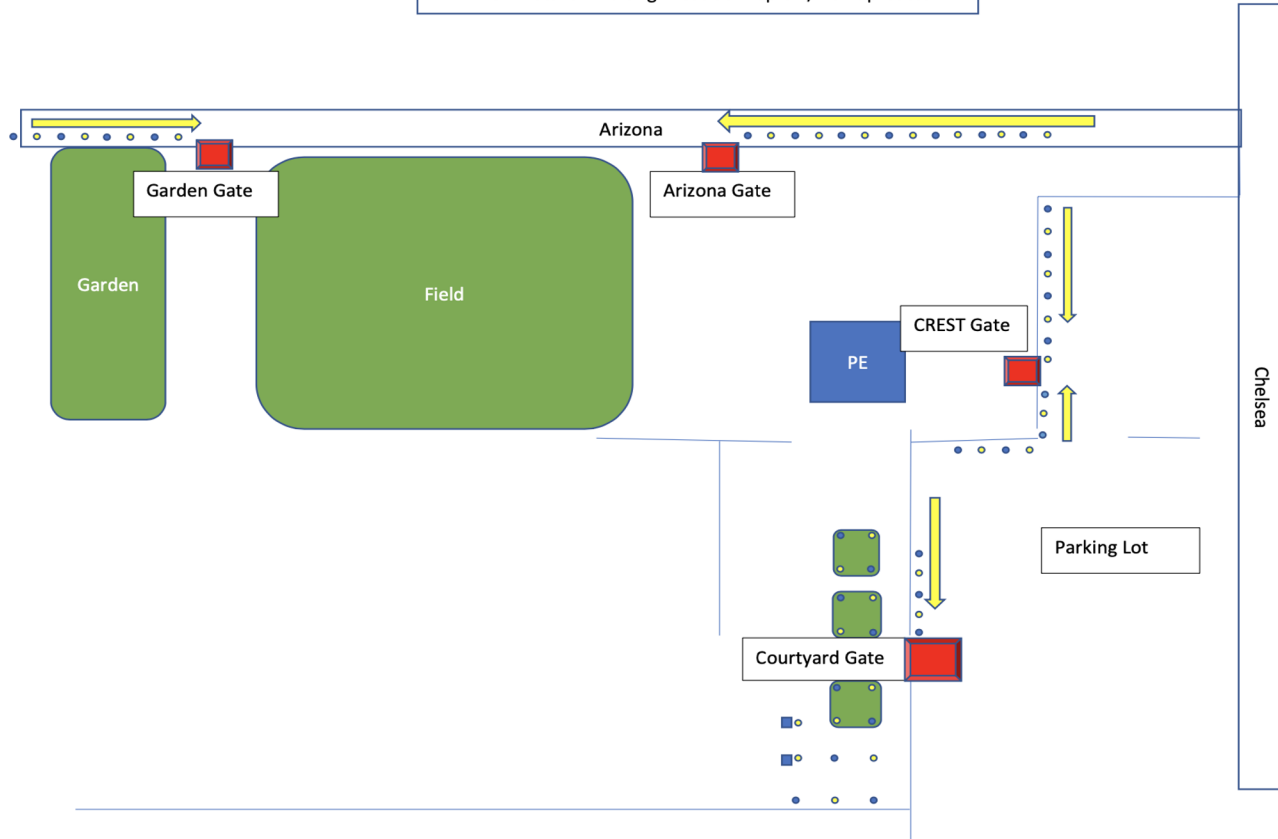
Student Screening Process



Gate Entrance Line Ups

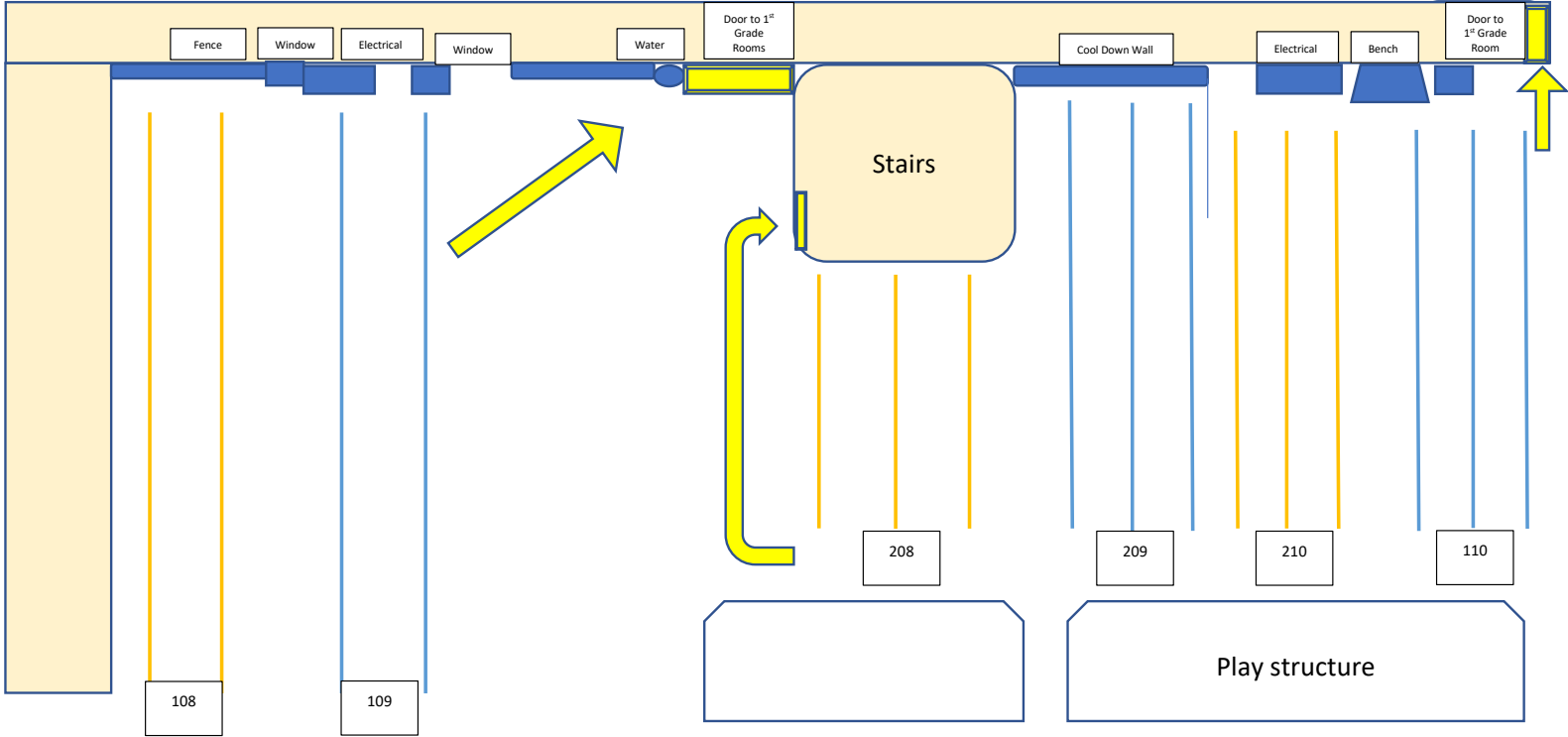


1st-5th Dots for Waiting Areas at Drop Off/Pick Up Gates



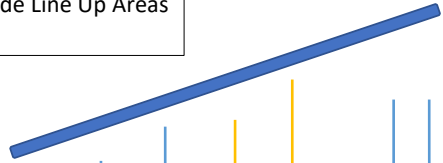
1st and 4th/5th Grade Line Up Areas

Stairs





5th and 2nd Grade Line Up Areas



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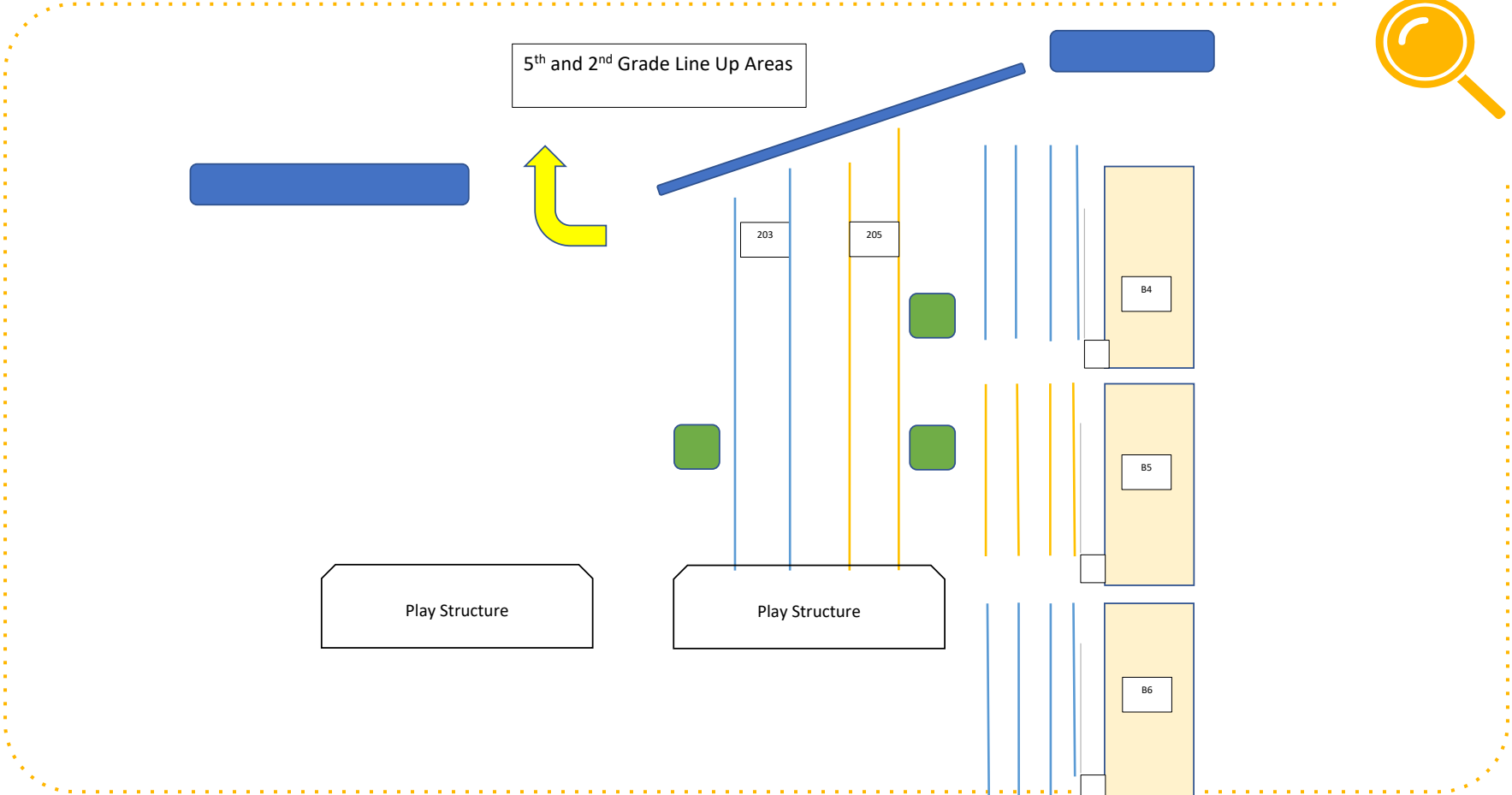
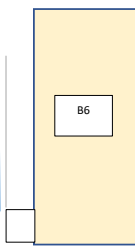
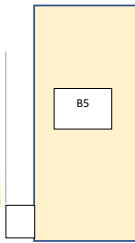
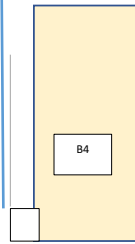
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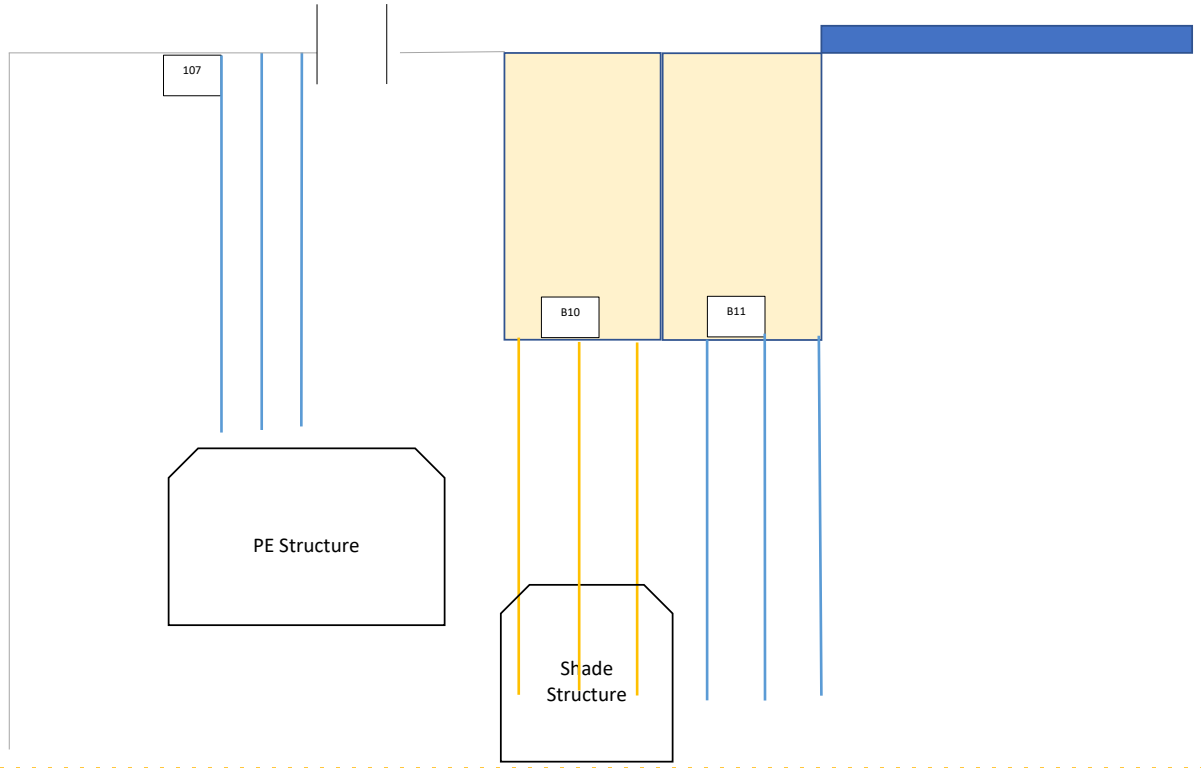
Play Structure

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3rd Grade Line Up Areas





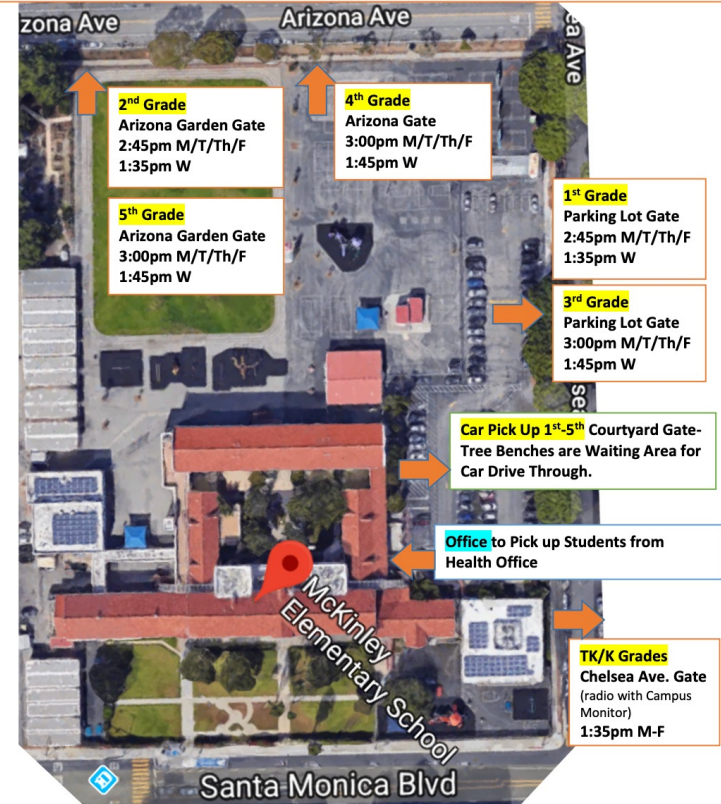
TK/K Lineup Areas

- At tables on the K playground by class
- Staff will be available to assist
- We may have some drawing and non-messy activities on the tables for students



Pick Up Procedures

- Staggered dismissal times
- Assigned gates by grade level
- Parents wait outside gates
- Teachers will dismiss students to their parent/guardian
- TK/K additional procedure- when parent arrives, gate monitors radio the name of student to the teacher, then student walks to meet their parent at the gate.
- We will be taking our time to maximize safety- thank you for your patience
- There is not supervision between primary and upper dismissal; please arrange to pick up siblings at their dismissal time





Pick Up Procedures

TK/K Dismissal Times/Locations

<u>Minimum Days (10 a year)</u>	<u>Regular Days- M/T/W/Th/F</u>
12:30 TK/K- Chelsea Ave Gate	1:35pm TK/K- Chelsea Ave Gate

1st-5th Dismissal Times/Locations

<u>Minimum Days (10 a year) and Wednesdays</u>	<u>Regular Days- M/T/Th/F</u>
1:35pm 1 st - Parking Lot Gate	2:45pm 1 st - Parking Lot Gate
1:35pm 2 nd - Arizona Garden Gate	2:45pm 2 nd - Arizona Garden Gate
1:45pm 3 rd - Parking Lot Gate	3:00pm 3 rd - Parking Lot Gate
1:45pm 4 th - Arizona Gate	3:00pm 4 th - Arizona Gate
1:45pm 5 th Arizona Garden Gate	3:00pm 5 th Arizona Garden Gate

Video of Procedures



<https://youtu.be/cTPQyqvnMI4>



Protocol Updates

- There are continuous updates from the Board, LADPH, CDC, State, and LACOE
- Any updates will be communicated to families as they occur



Home Option Independent Study

Independent Study Option



- An option for 21-22 school year when in-person instruction would put the student at a health risk, as determined by the parent/guardian
- **Does NOT replicate the Distance Learning experience last year or in-person learning; it is an Independent Study option.** Students work primarily independently.
- Separate from the school:
 - Not part of McKinley, McKinley communications, offerings events etc.; a completely separate program students are enrolled in that is home only
 - Students across school sites
 - Grade level bands
 - District teacher
 - Administrator is Anthony Fuller afuller@smmusd.org
- The Independent Study option simply cannot replicate the in-person interactions, social-emotional learning, physical activity, instructional support and resources, and all the enrichment we offer (theater, PE, music, visual art, library, garden and more). So we really want our students to return unless they absolutely are unable to.
- Can return to in-person or go to ISP at the trimester (progress reports/report card time)- with 5 day notice
- <https://bit.ly/FAQindStudy21-22> for FAQ and <https://bit.ly/IndStudyForm21-22> to Enroll- Closed (August 12th 9:00am)



General Info

Back to School

Class Placement



- Monday August 16th an email will be sent informing parents of their child's teacher.
- If you do not receive an email, on Monday afternoon you may email or call the office.
- Your child's teacher will reach out to you by the 17th with welcome information.



School Home Communication

It is crucial parents check and read their emails regularly



Teacher Emails and/or Newsletter

Weekly or as needed



Digital Platform Use

Seesaw, Google Classroom, and/or Dojo..



Weekly Mini-Messenger Blasts

Blasted on the weekends for the upcoming week and posted on the website. Other calls and emails as needed.



Parent Meetings and Trainings

PTA, ELAC, Site Governance, Sped Resource, AASG, Room Parents, PTA Website and blasts, parent workshops

Student and Family Engagement

At this time, parent committee meetings will be virtual (PTA, ELAC, AASG etc.). However, many of our school events are expected to happen in person with safety protocols in place. Our first events are Meet and Greets and Back to School Picnic! Parents may also have teacher conferences in-person or virtual.



Upcoming Events



- August 16th- Class Placement Emails
- August 17th- Your child's teacher will reach out with welcome information
- August 18th- TK Meet-and-Greet 11:00am
- August 18th- K Meet-and-Greet 1:00pm
- August 19th- First Day of School! (Minimum Day)
- August 20th and 24th – Minimum Days
- August 25th 6 and 7pm- Back to School Night
- August 27th 8:45am- First PTA Meeting (Zoom)
- Sept 6/7- No School
- September 10th- Back to School Picnic

Virtual Back to School Night



- This year will be virtual
- Zoom links will be emailed by teachers.
- Please note that all grade levels will be on the same night. This way all parents can have information about their classroom as soon as possible and staff can answer any questions you may have.
- **Tuesday August 24th- 6:00-7:00pm TK-2nd**
Tuesday August 24th- 7:00-8:00pm 3rd-5th
- Parents are also welcome to schedule additional in-person or virtual parent/teacher meetings.



First Day Packet

This packet contains important materials to complete including Emergency Cards, required registration documents, and PTA documents.

Please Return by Friday August 27th.

- Via email (documents on the website under “first day packet”)
- Via drop off to the front office M-F 8am-4pm

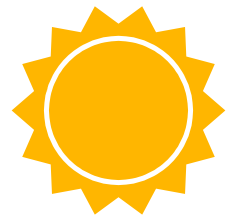
This year the Free Reduced Lunch Application is online, and was mailed to homes. Please complete this form to help us get Title I funds!



After School Programs

Childcare	Sports	Childcare and Enrichment
SMMUSD Child Development Services	Boys and Girls Club	CREST- City of Santa Monica
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Includes before school at 7am, and after school until 6pm• Starts the first day of school• Fee based and subsidized• (310) 399-5865• Sap@smmusd.org• https://www.smmusd.org/Page/4110	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7 week sessions• Sept 27-Nov 12 (flag football and volleyball)• Jan 10- Mar 4 (basketball)• Apr 19-Jun 3 (soccer and volleyball)• 2 practices and 1 game a week• Grades 2-5• \$175 per season	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Crest Club (4th/5th Childcare) until 6pm• Starts first day of school• \$375 a month• Daily enrichment classes by grade• Classes start Sept 20• Classes for 10 weeks• \$150-\$300ish• www.smgov.net/reserve• Alex Morales- Site Lead

- Playground Access- TBD



PTA and SMEF Donations

PTA: Funds "Stuff"- supplemental school supplies, computer software, technology equipment, teacher grants for supplies, school events and more. Also join and become a PTA member!

mckinleypta.com

SMEF: Funds "Staff"- Instructional Aides, music, visual arts, and more.

www.smedfoundation.org



Resources and Support

- If families need any additional support with food, mental health, technology access, or other resources, please contact our Bilingual Community Liaison at e.diaz@smmusd.org. Resources are also available at <https://www.smmusd.org/familyresources>.
- The office is open 8am-4pm. If you need assistance please contact the office staff by phone or email.

Questions, Concerns, and Feedback

Contact the teacher right away, don't wait!





We are so excited to be back in-person and to see our students!





Thanks!

Any questions?