



**Saint Paul**  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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**Independent School District 625**  
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**Murray Middle School**  
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Good Afternoon Murray Families,

I am reaching out to you to provide updates on some ongoing challenges as well as some upcoming opportunities. Our first full week back is in the books and I want to share with you what a wonderful job our students are doing. We know that we have a lot of work to do around building stamina for full days of school and getting back into the routine of in person learning as it has been a long time since education has looked this way. Our Pilots are off to a great start!

### **Transportation (Bus route C and Bus route L) -**

I have been informed that Saint Paul Public Schools is still working to resolve the problem of not having drivers for these routes. **The SPPS transportation department states that these two routes WILL run as originally planned on Monday and Tuesday. Some students may be impacted by route adjustments beginning on Wednesday. We will communicate with any families impacted by these route adjustments early next week.** I am very sorry for this extreme challenge and want our families to know that our district is working hard to find solutions. This is not something that Murray Middle School has any control over. I will continue to provide updates as they become available. Please also be on the lookout for messaging from SPPS. If you have questions, please contact our transportation department at 651-696-9600.

### **Open House Curriculum Night Thursday, Sept. 23 from 6pm-8pm -**

Murray is offering an open house curriculum night. We invite our families to join us in an evening where they will get to follow their student's schedule, meet all of their teachers, hear about the awesome things that will take place in their classes and learn about our Title 1 funding. There will even be a raffle at the end for the students that participate. We will be showcasing some Murray prizes! **There will be a hard start time for this event at 6:00PM. Families can arrive beginning at 5:40pm. There will be a bell schedule that we will follow so that you can see all of your student's teachers in an organized and timely manner. We will conclude the evening at approximately 7:40pm for the raffle.**

### **Sports Update -**

Our district is finalizing their decision around fall sports. If fall sports are not offered, SPPS will be working to offer an intramural athletic program during the fall season in coordination with our Flipside after school program. This program would be staffed by our regular fall season coaches. Finalized language from SPPS will be shared as soon as they land on their decision.



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## iPads -

Murray students have been turning in their old iPads for new. Please help them locate iPads, cases, keyboards, cords, and bricks and charge the iPads if possible. Don't worry if something is lost or broken. Everyone will receive a new iPad and accessories. Forgotten items can still be returned later. We appreciate your support as we switch over to our new equipment!

We hope to see you Thursday night!

Your Co-Pilot,

Jamin McKenzie  
Principal, Murray Middle School

**SPPS ONE STOP for various needs and solutions - <https://www.spps.org/ONESTOP>**

**Technology Info. - <https://www.spps.org/Page/39811>**

Murray website - <https://www.spps.org/murray>

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