

Welcome!

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Virtual Open House

Thursday, September 3, 2020



Agenda

1. Introducing Our Staff and School
2. Supporting Your Child in Distance Learning
3. Other Things to Know
4. School Contacts and Family Supports

Feel free to use the meeting chat to make comments or ask questions.

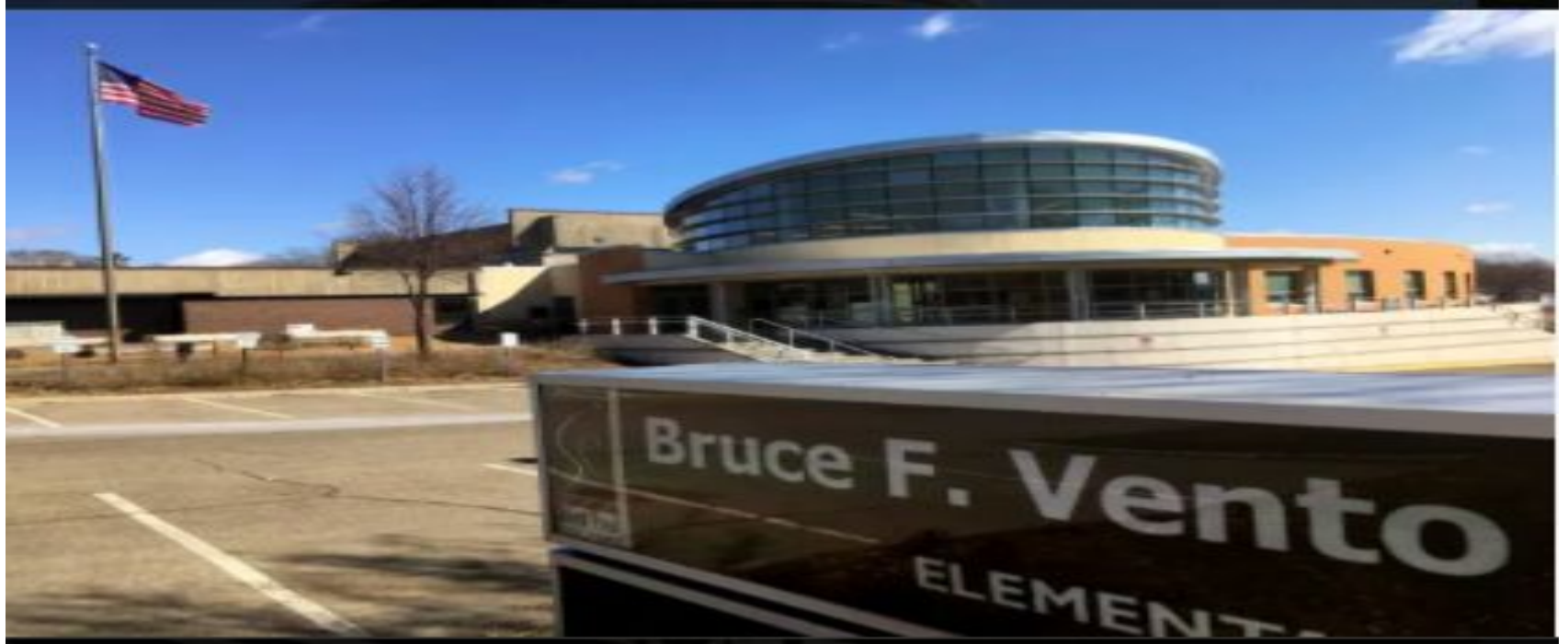
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Introducing Our Staff and School

Our Mission

Our school educates every student without exception and without excuse, to standard or above in reading, writing, math and science in preparation for college.

Our School

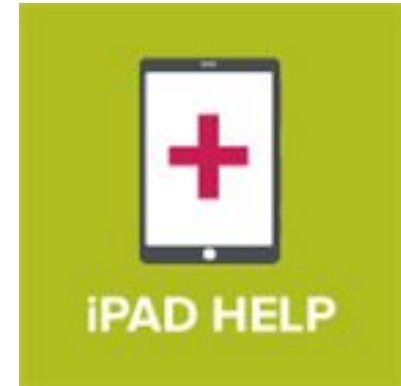


2 Supporting Your Child in Distance Learning

Updates @ <https://www.spps.org/distancelearning>

Connecting: iPads

- Students and Families Getting Started Checklists
 - iPad Set-up
 - Getting connected
 - Student IDs and Passwords
 - Core Apps (Google, Seesaw, Schoology, Clever, etc...)
 - iPad support and cleaning



iPad and Technology help @ spps.org/distancelearning

Setting a Daily Routine

- School Hours - 9:30-4:00
- Have you or your child check in daily
- All content will be taught - most will be asynchronous learning with some synchronous learning - teachers will share these times
- All teachers will have Office Hours from 3:30-4:00 - teachers will share their Office Hour days
- All students and staff will have lunch daily from 11:30-12:00
- Find a quiet place for your student to work
- They should not be on their iPad all day. Make sure they get enough sleep nightly, daily exercise and drink plenty of water so their brain can perform

What Lessons Look Like



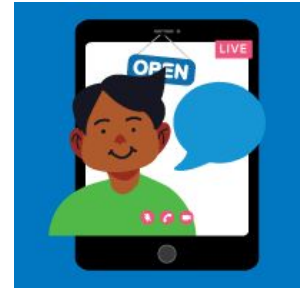
Full “class” meeting/ Daily Meeting→
SAME TIME



Independent work time→
ANYTIME



Small groups/
Tutoring/Check-In→ SAME
TIME
set times to work on
specific assignments/
discussions/ projects/etc.



Office Hours→ set times
each week when teachers
are available to answer
questions/work with
students in specific classes.

Lessons and Assignments: Seesaw

PreK-3 students use Seesaw to access lessons and assignments.

- Teachers organize each week's assignments on a Google Slide.
- Students see the slide in their Seesaw "Journal" on Mondays.

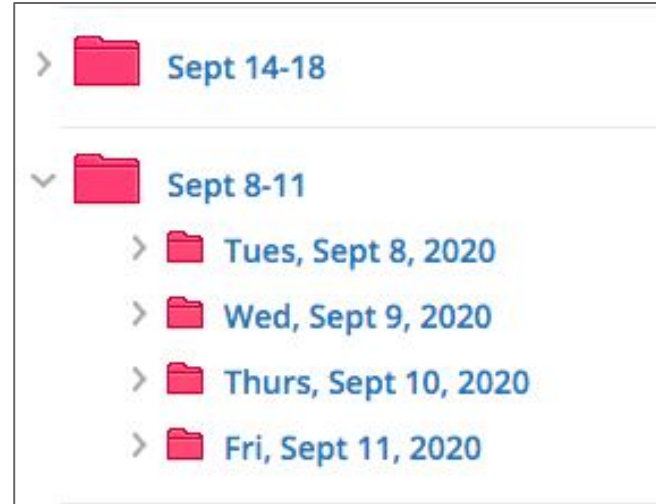


- Click [here](#) for example (K-2/3)
- Click [here](#) for PreK example

Lessons and Assignments: Schoology

Grades 4-5 students use Schoology to access lessons and assignments.

- Teachers organize lessons in **folders**.
 - **Main folder** for each week with dates
 - **Daily folder** with date and day of the week
 - Repeat for each week
 - Most **CURRENT** week is at the top



School Year 2020-21 Grading Update for SPPS Students

Schools and teachers will return to their established grading practices for the 2020-21 school year, regardless of whether SPPS is in a distance, hybrid or on-site scenario. Schools will work to ensure grading practices are equitable given the variation in sametime and anytime learning.

Elementary

- Teachers will use the standards-based Elementary Progress Report. Standards are what each student is expected to learn in different areas such as literacy, writing and math.

Pre-K

- Teachers will use the Work Sampling System. The Work Sampling System is a strengths based assessment tool that allows students to demonstrate what they know in content areas such as personal/social development, language/literacy and mathematical thinking. Teachers use the data collected from student work to guide next steps in instruction.

Attendance: Campus

- A student or student's parent or guardian should complete daily attendance once each school day in Campus.
- When completed, the once-daily attendance process will confirm attendance for all of a student's classes for that day.
- Students should log into their Campus Student iPad app, located on their iPad home screen.
- Parents use spps.org/onestop and click "Campus Parent" to login.
- Visit this [website](#) for multilingual versions of this video and more "how-to" directions (note: multilingual version will be ready shortly).

Taking Attendance During Distance Learning



3 Other Things to Know



Saint Paul
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Materials Pick-up

Curbside material distribution: Thursday, September 3rd until 3:00.

Please contact the school if you were not able to pick up your student's materials.

Meals in Distance Learning

HOME DELIVERY

Saint Paul Public Schools is offering weekly home meal delivery to SPPS students. If you would like to receive home delivery, you can [register online](#).

Please complete an [application for free and reduced-price](#) meals.

If you are requesting changes to your delivery or want to update your contact information, please [fill out this form](#).

APARTMENT DELIVERIES

Some large apartment complexes have designated pickup locations for meal deliveries. Visit the [apartment deliveries page](#) for a full schedule based on your building address.

SPPS COVID-19 Health and Safety Efforts

Saint Paul Public Schools (SPPS) is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for our students, staff and their families.

- Please see the [SPPS COVID-19 Student and Family Guidelines](#) for details.

Reporting COVID-19 concerns:

- The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) requires all schools to ask staff and families to report:
 - symptoms of COVID-19,
 - positive test for COVID-19
 - close contact exposure to COVID-19
- Use the NEW online [SPPS COVID-19 Reporting System](#) to make a report.
 - SPPS nurses will follow-up on reports.
 - If you are told to stay home from school or activities, please notify your school and report absences
 - Parent Help Line: 651-767-8347 (ask to speak to a COVID nurse)
 - Hours: 7:00am - 6:00pm Monday - Thursday, Friday 7:00am - 4:30pm

SPPS COVID-19
Reporting System

Census - All Kids Count!

The census happens only ONCE every ten years and determines community funding for education, childcare, and other services children need. [The last day to be counted is September 30.](#) More information is available at spps.org/census.

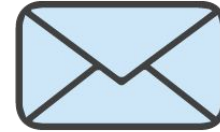
How can I do my part?



It takes just ten minutes!



Online - fill out the 2020 Census form online today: my2020census.gov



By mail - send the form that was mailed to your house

4 School Contacts and Family Supports

School Contacts

- School Website - <https://www.spps.org/vento>
- School Key contacts:
 - School Office - 651-293-8685
 - Laura Saatzer, Principal - 651-283-4057
 - Kate Garvey - Asst. Principal - 651-706-4943



Google Meet

****Vento Family Help Meet** staffed daily, Monday-Friday,
between 10:00-4:00 - different code used for each hour -
VH10, VH11, VH12, VH1, VH2, VH3

Supports for Families

- Districtwide Parent Help Line 651-767-8347 or email family.engagement@spps.org.
- Technology Help Desk 651-603-4348, email familysupport@spps.org
- Technology tutorials, other online support spps.org/distancelearning available to all, any time, with workshops provided for families
- Child Care Resources
 - Child Care Aware referral line at 1.888.291.9811
 - Children's Defense Fund [Minnesota's Bridge to Benefits screening tool](#)
 - MN Dept of Human Services [Child Care Assistance](#)

Community Education

- **Essential Kids Care** will be available to Tier 1 essential workers during school day hours for free.
- **Discovery Club** full day care will be available to families at some select Discovery Club locations
- **Early Childhood Family Education** will provide online classes for parents and children
- **Adult Basic Education** provides online classes include ELL, Math, GED, Adult Diploma, College Readiness, Computer Basics, and Job Training.
- **Community Education** also offers online programs, program kits, youth city-wide challenges and limited in-person programming.



<https://www.spps.org/COMMED>

Questions?