Announcements and Updates

Monthly Activity Night and Bedtime Stories
This month’s Virtual Activity Night will be - *Music Night!* Join us on Thursday, March 10th, from 6:30-7:30pm to play games, learn about music, and have fun with your SPMA peers. As always, we will have prizes for those that participate. The link to join is the same as our weekly Bedtime Stories and will be followed by a story at 7:30. Join us on most Thursdays at 7:30pm at this link: SPMA Bedtime Story.

Sledding Party
Thanks to everyone that came out for our sledding party in February! It was a blast and fun to enjoy time together as an SPMA community. We are already getting plans ready for next year. Click here to see more photos from the event.

Middle School Planning
Priority Deadline is Friday, March 4th
One of our counselors, Ms. Keela, has been working with 5th grade students to think about their transition to Middle School. There is lots of information and she has created a [web-site to help students and families](https://www.spps.org/summer) work through the decisions of where to enroll and how to do it.

Summer School
Registration for Summer programs will open March 18
You will be able to register through the Campus Parent app. Please use your OneStop Username and password login. Additional details can be found here: [https://www.spps.org/summer](https://www.spps.org/summer)

e-Learning Plan
SPMA E-Learning Plan has been put together so that families have access to information about days that we will not be in building. Please look at the link for information about what your children will be doing on those days. We will update you as soon as any further e-Learning or Virtual days are announced.

Congratulations to Ms. Keela!
Ms. Keela was honored in Washington D.C. last month and recognized at the Minnesota Counselor of the Year for 2022! Read all about it [here](https://www.spps.org/summer).
At SPMA, we strive to support your child’s academic success and partner with you to remedy any attendance issues that may come up for your family during this school year. We know the impact COVID has had on families and students has been incredibly challenging. Even during these hard times, good school attendance is important. We encourage all families with attendance needs, questions, or concerns: please contact us! Know that if you reach out regarding attendance, you will be received with understanding, support, and helpful solutions. See below for staff members who are on our Attendance Team, as well as our attendance reporting line number. We thank SPMA families for communicating all student absences with us. Save this link to attendance information on our website: spps.org/Domain/15149

**Attendance Team Members**

**Sally Jacobson** (School Nurse)  
651-888-7663

**Keela Kuhlers** (School Counselor)  
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**Paige LaQua** (School Counselor)  
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**Heidi Carson** (School Social Worker)  
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**Jill Bertelsen** (School Social Worker)  
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**Bee Xiong** (Cultural Specialist)  
651-744-2243

**Attendance & Transportation Clerk**  
651-293-8795

**Family and Community Supports**

**Music Enrichment**
Looking for more musical options for your students? Check out CoMUSICation! They have partnered with SPMA in the past on programming and currently have options available after school at their new location. Check out their programs here and use this link to register.

**Free Grocery Give-away**
Keystone Community services is holding a drive-through grocery give-away on March 5th. You need to register for a time slot where families will receive between 30-45 lbs of groceries. Learn more about it here.

**Softball Clinic and Camp**
3rd-5th grade students will participate in a softball clinic this month. It will be held by staff from Parks/Rec in collaboration with lesson Mr. Strub is running in P.E.

There will also be a free camp offered for girls in 3rd-5th grade. The camp will run from Monday, March 14th-Thursday, March 17th from 2:00-3:30pm. The camp will take place right after school and students will meet in the SPMA gym - but will be transported to Parks/Rec batting cages. Registration is required and students will need their own rides home at 3:30 each day from school. More details are available here and the registration form is here. Forms will also be distributed directly to students during the clinics.
Internet Access
Families in need of internet access might want to consider the Internet Essentials program. It is now free and includes the needed gear. Sa Eh in our Family Center can help answer questions and walk you through the steps (spaw@neighb.org).

Covid Testing/Vaccine Clinics
Families can find information about vaccination clinics on the Ramsey County website and at spps.org/covidvaccine.

Academic Corner

Important Information
Tech: Student iPads should now be going back and forth between home and school every day. Please make sure that iPads are charged before they come to school each morning. If you need support with your iPads please contact Ms. Harrington (julie.harrington@spps.org or 612-202-8763 - text messages or call).

Conferences
Conferences will be held March 21st, 24th and 25th. Check SeeSaw or Schoology for your teacher’s sign up link. Links will be shared shortly for you to sign up for times with your students’ teacher. Timing for Conferences are below:

- **Monday**: In person at school 3:00-5:00; online 5:20-7:00
- **Thursday**: In person at school 3:00-5:00; online 5:20-7:00
- **Friday**: In person at school 8:00-10:00; online from 10:20-12:00

At SPMA, we ensure that parents are notified via family newsletter and that all school documents can be translated or interpreted upon request.

Spanish
Todos los documentos pueden ser traducidos o interpretados oralmente si usted lo solicita

Hmong
Tej ntaub ntawv tom tsev kawm ntawv uas xa los rau nej, peb yuav pab txhais thiab nrhiav neeg txhais lus rau nej yog nej hais qhia peb

Somali
"Dhammaan dukumiintiyada iskuulka waa la turjumi karaa ama waxaa la heli karaa turjumaan haddii la codsado"

Karen

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For most up to date information please visit: **SPMA Calendar**

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