

Nokomis Montessori North

March 2121

Hello Nokomis Community,

Happy March! What a busy and beautiful month. Once again, thank you families for helping to make the February transitions such a success.

Our students that returned to in person learning have done a tremendous job of learning all the new school safety rules, wearing their masks, eating lunch in their classrooms, and settling into their rituals and routines.

Our VLS students

In partnership,

Ms. Terri

Important Reminders :

- If you need to change your child's transportation for the day, please call No later than **3:15 pm**, at **651-744-7440**
- New start time for Parent pick up at dismissal. We will push back the new parent pick up time to 3:40 pm. at dismissal
- Please do not pass other cars while waiting for all cars to load our students. We thank you for your patience and helping to keep everyone safe.

New-Meal Kit distribution Starts at Nokomis North on Mondays

- The SPPS Nutrition will be begin new meal kit distribution for Nokomis North every Monday starting on February 22nd, from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. All meal kit distribution will be contactless curbside pickup.
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Upcoming Events

Monday, March 8th

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

PTO Meeting (Virtual)

[Join with Google Meet](#)

meet.google.com/zvm-hbaa-irc

[Join by phone](#)

(US) +1 337-435-0478 PIN: 274 624 745#

March 23

Evening-Parent Teacher conferences

March 25th

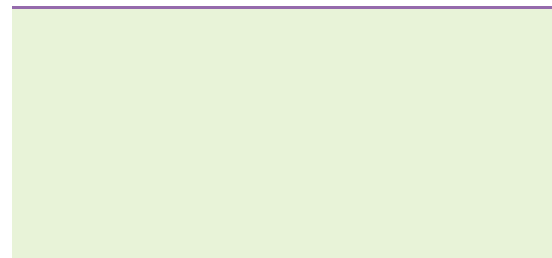
Evening-Parent Teacher conferences

No school for Pre-K students

March 26th

Parent Teacher conferences

No School for all students



- If you are interested in the meal kit pick up, please sign up here- [pre-order your meal boxes.](#)
- To pick up your meal kits at Nokomis North:
 - Come to Nokomis North on Mondays between 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm.
 - Please enter the parking lot from Case Ave.(just like parent drop off and pick up), pull up to the front of the school, and a staff will help you.

Some important links for helpful information:

- <https://www.spps.org/nokomis>
- [COVID-19 Student and Family Guidelines](#)
- spps.org/reopen

Important information form our Nurse -Ms. Liberty Belter

I am so excited to see your children in the building soon! While being back in the building will bring some sense of normalcy, there will be some things that will not be the same as we remember them.

Health office protocols and procedures will look a bit different this year. We want to try and keep our students and staff as healthy and safe as possible.

• Please keep your child home if they are showing any signs of illness (fever, congestion, cough, sore throat, stomach ache, nausea, headache, diarrhea, etc.) and let the health office know that they will be out due to illness.

• Students with minor illness symptoms will be sent home as a precaution

• Students with COVID symptoms will be isolated until parents or designated person can arrive, siblings may also be sent home

• Ill students will not be allowed to remain in the health office until the end of the day; they MUST be picked up by someone over 18 years old.

o Please make sure Nokomis North has current, working phone numbers for parents and emergency contacts

• School nurse will use information from Minnesota Department of Health and the SPPS COVID Reporting System in determining whether a child may remain in school and, if sent home, how long they need to remain at home.

· School nurse will facilitate families completing the online SPPS COVID Reporting Tool, when appropriate

If you student has a health condition that may need attention in the health office (asthma, allergies, ADHD, seizures, etc.), please reach out to me so that we can make plan of care at school. This may require completing forms and contacting child's health care provider.

In addition, SPPS Health and Wellness are continuing their efforts to ensure all students are fully vaccinated. It is very important from a public health perspective, that every student is fully immunized. Immunization protects children from potentially dangerous disease (measles, polio, whooping cough, etc.) and high immunization rates protect those who are vulnerable and unable to get immunized or have compromised immune systems (young babies, individuals with cancer or HIV, or other health conditions). I will continue to reach out to families whose children are still missing immunizations. There are a couple of immunization clinics available through SPPS and several others throughout Saint Paul.

I am in the building every day and am available to answer any questions you may have. Please feel free to reach out either by phone or email.

I look forward to seeing your children on Monday morning, until then,

Stay safe and mask up, Nokomis!

School Nurse: Liberty Belter, BSN, RN, PHN, LSN, NCSN. Liberty.belter@spps.org

**If you would like the newsletter in paper form or have it interpreted, please call Ms. Paula at 651-744-7440.

Reading Tips with Ms. Grace



Set up a reading routine at home~Bring books everywhere~Read aloud together~ Have conversations about the books you are reading

[Leela & Maddie Reading Tik-Tok Dance](#)

“Reading is to the mind, as exercise is to the body”~Joseph Addison

