

MES FAQ Guide to the 2020-2021 School Year

1. When will the Elementary School be open for my student to enter this year?

The doors will open at 7:35 a.m. this year for car riders and walkers. Students entering the building will go straight to their class. ***Students getting to school by bus earlier than 7:35 a.m. will be allowed into the building and will enter the gyms where social distancing will be followed.***

2. Where will students that are car riders or walkers enter the building?

They may enter the Elementary School Doors or the Early Childhood Doors. Preschool and Headstart will use door #20 as they have in the past.

3. Will face masks be mandatory for a student to enter the building?

Yes, face masks are mandatory for all staff and students this school year. Students will be given appropriate breaks when allowed to do so. Students will not wear masks during PE or during outside recess. We will be providing lanyards to each student when they go outside for their mask.

4. How will specials work?

Art, Music, and Library will push into the classrooms this year. PE will be outside as much as possible. We are asking that students come in shoes each day that they can wear outside for pe and recess.

5. Will drinking fountains be used?

Bottle filling stations will be used, the drinking fountains will not be used. We will ask all students to bring their own water bottles. They will have times when they can fill them up throughout the day.

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6. Will MES be serving lunch?

MES will be offering students Grab-n-Go bag lunches this year. For students eating the school Grab-n-Go bag lunch, they will grab their lunch as they enter the lunchroom. ***Students will have their own id that they take to the lunchroom to pick up their lunch. Students will eat lunch in the classrooms this year.***

7. Will students be sharing school supplies?

No, students will be using their own school supplies within the classroom this year.

8. Will MES have a full-time nurse this year?

Yes, MES will have a full-time nurse for the entire school year.

9. Are outside guests permitted into the building?

No, students and staff will only be permitted into the school.

10. Will parents be allowed to volunteer in classrooms this year?

No, parents will not be allowed to volunteer in classrooms.

11. Will parents be able to drop off lunches or other supplies to their students?

Yes, parents can drop off lunches or other supplies to students. There will be a drop-off lunch table outside the Main Office doors in the vestibule for parents to drop off items. Please make sure that the student's name is clearly marked on the lunch.

12. Will MES have an open house?

MES will be having an open house on August 13th. Information about the open house will be communicated out later.

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13. What are the student times for the building?

Student's day will start at 7:55 and they will be dismissed at 1:50.
Preschool am session is from 8-10, pm session from 12-2 and Headstart will attend from 8:45-2

14. What do classrooms look like?

Classrooms have been set up for social distancing with desks set apart from each other and large classroom items removed to make room for students.

15. What happens if I need to pick up my student from school?

If you need to pick your student up from school, there will be a check-out computer in the vestibule outside the Main Office. The Administrative Assistants will communicate with you through the intercom during this process. Once you have checked out your student, your student will be called down to the office. During this process, you will wait inside the vestibule.

16. When will Kindergarten and Pre-School start?

Kindergarten will start on Wednesday, August 19th with the rest of the school.

Preschool and HeadStart will start on Monday, August 24th.

More information will be shared about Preschool and Kindergarten.

17. When will I know my child's teacher?

These will be shared out the week of August 10th, via Skyward.

18. Do we call the school when a student is going to be absent from remote learning?

Yes, you will call the school for absence from remote learning, and from in-person learning, this will allow for accurate attendance taking.