

Message from the Meadows

...a weekly update from Mrs. Battaglia

January 8, 2021

Dear South Meadows' Families,

Happy New year and Welcome Back!

I hope that your child's first week back has been a good one; we know that any transition is always a challenge, and Monday will bring about another one! We are excited to be returning to our HYBRID MODEL of instruction and welcoming students back into the building. Your child will return face-to-face on their previously scheduled days beginning either Monday, January 11, or Tuesday, January 12, 2021. With this transition back, there are several important pieces of information to be aware of. Your child's teacher will also be sharing additional details as needed.

SCHEDULES - South Meadows Hybrid Hours are 7:45 AM - 2:15 PM

There may be slight changes to your child's current daily schedule which is reverting back to the Hybrid schedule we were on prior to the closure. Please look for your updated schedule from the classroom teacher.

- **Arrival time** at South Meadows begins at **7:45 AM**. Doors will not be open prior to this time.
- **Pick up** at South Meadows begins at **2:15 PM** and we will continue to use our Driveline tag system. (please be sure to hang your tag on your rearview mirror) If you are new and need a car tag, please contact the office.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES/BOOKS

Please help your child remember that when he/she does return to the building, all school materials should be brought back as well (iPad, math journal, planner etc). Please also search for school-owned classroom and library books and return those as well!

VIRTUAL STUDENTS MATERIALS DISTRIBUTION

For our students remaining virtual we are planning for Materials pick up on Friday, January 15. Details will be sent in a separate message.

HEALTH and SAFETY

Like prior to our closure, the District has many health and safety guidelines and mitigation procedures in place to help assure the health and safety of our students and staff. Please know that per our Preparedness Plan we will continue to sanitize regularly, wash hands throughout our day, space classroom desks 6 feet apart, keep kids with their homeroom as much as possible etc.

MASKS

All adults and students will continue to wear masks throughout their day except when eating. We are asking all staff and students to wear a traditional face mask, not the "gaiter" type mask. We have plenty available in the office should you need one for your child.

FOOD SERVICE

Both breakfast and lunch will continue to be provided to all students free of charge. If your child was receiving breakfast prior to the closure, this will continue. If you would like to start this option, please reach out to me or your child's teacher. Lunch count for those not bringing a lunch from home will continue to be taken daily.

UPCOMING DATES

We will continue to follow the District calendar in place for the year.

- Monday, January 18 is NO SCHOOL for MLK Day

- Friday, January 22nd is a Half Day (11:11 dismissal) for Teacher Professional Development.

SEL SUPPORT

Our building support staff is always available to you for any questions or concerns! In addition, School Psychologist, Mrs. Joyce, is available for you to follow on Twitter [KKJ@NC_SMSupport](https://twitter.com/KKJ@NC_SMSupport). She frequently shares helpful tips and information for families. Here is an article she has shared for families: [Managing Feelings - Why Kids Grieve in Unexpected Ways](#)

REACH OUT

START the Conversation
Local Mental Health Resources

Mental health is more important than ever. Left untreated, individuals, including youth, are at high risk for unhealthy behaviors including alcohol or other drug abuse.

SRSLY Chelsea, in collaboration with St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea, has created this resource magnet.

Don't wait — Reach Out and Start the Conversation.

For Mental Health Support:

Outpatient Counseling in our Area:

- Chelsea Outpatient Behavioral Health.....(734) 593-5251
- Transformational Choices.....(734) 559-3540
- Thriving Minds(734) 433-5100
- U-M Depression Center at Rachel Upjohn.....(734) 764-0231

To learn more about mental health:

- NAMI of Washtenaw County(734) 994-6611
- Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Admin.(877) 726-4727

For Immediate Help:

- Washtenaw CMH CARES (734) 544-3050
- National Prevention Lifeline(800) 273-8255

SRSLYchelsea.org/mentalhealth **SRSLY**

Scan QR Code for a list of more resources.

Help Is Available.

SUPPORT MATERIALS

Detroit Public Television is offering instructional supports and materials through their new Michigan Learning Channel. Here is a link to more information on these additional resources in case you are interested: [PBS/Michigan Learning Channel](https://www.pbs.org/michigan-learning-channel/)

THANK A TEACHER

DPTV and the Michigan Learning Channel are also promoting "Thank a Teacher Week." If you are interested in participating, please see the following link. <https://www.dptv.org/education/submit/?mlcshort>

Have a wonderful weekend.

We look forward to seeing students in the building on Monday!

Stacie