



Madison Messenger

December 7, 2020

Calendar

December 11

Fun Friday – Ugly Sweater or Festive Holiday Attire Day

December 18

Fun Friday – Green & Red Day

December 21-January 1

Winter Break – NO SCHOOL

January 8

Fun Friday – Madison Spirit Day

January 15

Fun Friday – Flannel Day

January 18

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday – NO SCHOOL

January 22

Fun Friday – White Day

January 26

PTO Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
(Virtual via TEAMS)

January 29

- Fun Friday – Sports Day
- End of First Semester



Principal's Corner

Dear Madison Families,

I hope you and your families are staying healthy and safe. Please remember that our best defense against COVID is to make sure that if your child is having any symptoms: sore throat, stuffy nose, cough, aches, or fever to keep them home. Our office staff is working diligently to keep our students safe. Don't forget to complete the SPS Health App each day. It is taxing on our system to have to do it for you. We are all in this together.

I want to thank the teachers and staff who are putting in extra time and effort to be ready for your students every day. Virtual preparation goes beyond what students are getting each day. Please encourage your child to be on camera and on time to class each and every day. We know this is not always easy, but your child is counting on you to help them be ready for learning and they are counting on us to be prepared to teach them lifelong skills and strategies to grow them into adulthood. Together is better!

Please hang in there and know that a two-week break to relax and reset is coming up soon. I always used to tell my own children if we work hard, we get to play hard. Encourage your child to keep working so that over the winter vacation they can sleep in, bake cookies, have family game nights, and play video games to help their brains have a break. This will allow them to come back with a fresh positive mindset.

Thank you for partnering with us as we work together for the future of our children.

Sincerely,

Heather Holter, Principal



VIRTUAL STUDENTS

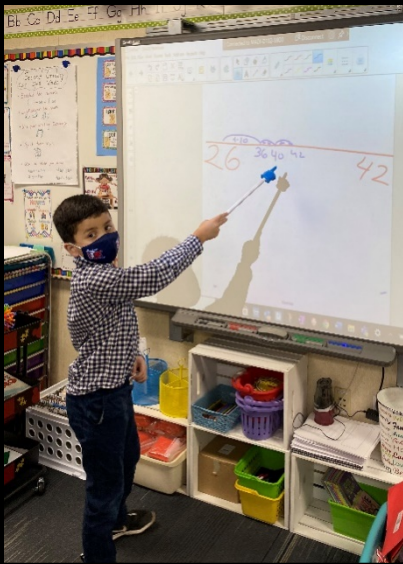


All virtual students need to be spending at least 1 hour in the afternoons working on DreamBox and Lexia.

In-Person Reminders

- ✓ Please remember to do your health check each morning before 8:15 a.m. Download the SPS app on your smartphone or go to spokaneschool.org/healthcheck.
- ✓ School hours are 8:25 a.m. – 2:25 p.m. Drop off and pick-up for 1st & 2nd grade is on the blacktop, kindergarten in the gated area by your classroom. There is no supervision before or after these hours.
- ✓ If you arrive after 8:25 a.m., your student will need to enter through the front door. Please be on time!
- ✓ We will be going out to recess unless the temperature drops below 20 degrees. Please send your student(s) to school in appropriate outdoor clothing, boots, gloves, hats, etc.

Welcome Back 2nd Graders!



PTO Fundraiser



Through December 15th, the Madison PTO is participating in Poppin' Popcorn's, 100%, all digital, hassle-free fundraiser. Please register your child at the website below to get started. Then spread the word to all your family and friends. For more details check out the flier posted in PeachJar.

<http://poppinpopcornonline.com/participant/register.php?g=GULUDQ>

Ms. Ruth, Mrs. Waite, Mr. Bob and Mr. Wes continue to put every effort into keeping Madison students safe. They are outside working the crosswalk every day. This is a tough job. Please be respectful by following safety guidelines when you are picking up or dropping off your child. This includes not parking in the crosswalk and not walking across the street outside the crosswalk or encouraging students to cross outside the crosswalk. When you see them, please tell them that they are doing great work to keep our kids safe. In addition, they all supervise students on the playground each day. We are all very fortunate to have our supervisor staff supporting our students each and every day. They are truly the heart of Madison.



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