

This book is your guide to making the most of your child's journey with Detroit Public Schools. With each step you take to prepare your child for school on Tuesday, September 6, get this book stamped to help keep track of each important task.

GET THIS BOOK STAMPED AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:



- Your child's school
- The DPS Education & Enrollment Expo on Saturday, August 27, at Hart Plaza
- The DPS Welcome Center

HOW TO ENROLL. IT'S EASY.

Start by gathering information. All incoming new and re-enrolling students must bring the following to the school:



IMMUNIZATION RECORD



BIRTH CERTIFICATE



TRANSCRIPTS OR REPORT CARDS FROM PREVIOUS SCHOOLS



VISIT SCHOOL

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Once you have gathered the necessary paperwork, call the school to arrange a visit. A parent or guardian should accompany students. Except for application schools, students are assigned to schools in their neighborhood. Parents whose children are new or returning to the district should visit their school of choice to enroll.

Enrollment into an examination school or application school, as well as enrolling special needs students, requires further steps beyond those listed above. The application period this year will be September 6 through October 19. For enrollment information, call **313-240-4DPS (313-240-4377)** or visit ImlnDPS.org.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL CHECKLIST.

REQUIRED:

- Have you moved in the last year? Update your contact information so you can be notified in case of health emergencies, school closures and other situations. Please notify the following:
- Your child's school
- The DPS Office of Transportation, **313-945-8600**
- If applicable, Special Education Placement, **313-873-3240 or 313-870-3664**

RECOMMENDED:

- Meet your child's principal
- Get new uniforms/clothes meeting your school's dress code
- Make sure there's a place in your home for your children to do homework
- Shop for school supplies

313-240-4DPS
ImlnDPS.org/enroll

ENROLLMENT GUIDE



IMPORTANT DATES

August 27
DPS Education & Enrollment Expo,
Hart Plaza
DPS Back-to-School Parade
Step-off at 11 a.m. at Grand Circus

September 6
First day of teaching and learning

October 11-28
MEAP testing and
makeup testing
for students in
grades 3-9

November 8
No school, professional
development day

December 24-January 8
Winter break

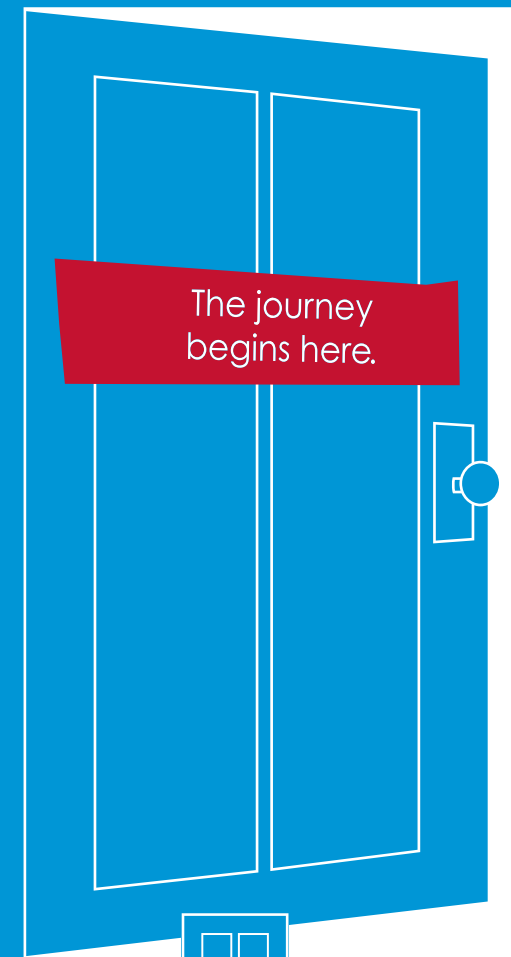
February 20-24
Mid-winter break
(President's Day)

March 6-8
Michigan Merit Exam/ACT
for 11th-grade students

March 20-22
Michigan Merit Exam/ACT
makeup dates

April 6-15
Spring break

Detroit Public Schools Enrollment Guide 2011-2012



YOUR GUIDE TO DPS.

IMMUNIZATIONS

Parents or guardians are urged to take their children to a health care provider to get their immunizations up to date. These will be required for enrollment. For immunization information, parents may contact:

- Their health care provider
- The local health department: **313-876-4334**
- The DPS Department of Health and Physical Education: **313-873-7735**

For free- or low-cost health coverage for children under age 19, call the Michigan Child and Healthy Kids hotline: **313-961-2229**.

Free immunizations will be available from noon to 4 p.m. during the DPS Education and Enrollment Expo on Saturday, August 27, at Hart Plaza.

ON TRACK FOR GRADUATION

DPS high school students are required to meet Michigan's higher graduation standards. For those who have fallen behind, there are many opportunities to recover credits. Check into your school's Extended Day and Summer School programs.

English Language Arts: 4 credits

English Language Arts 9-12

Mathematics: 4 credits

Geometry, Algebra I, Algebra II and one math or math-related course in final year of high school

Science: 3 credits

Biology, Chemistry or Physics, and one additional science credit

Social Studies: 3 credits

World History & Geography, U.S. History & Geography, .5 credit in both Civics and Economics

Physical Education & Health: 1 credit

Visual, Performing and Applied Arts: 1 credit

Online Learning Experience

FREE/REDUCED MEAL PROGRAM

The DPS Office of Food Services serves healthy meals to students up to three times per day. Our free breakfast in the classroom program makes getting your child to school easier than ever. Hot lunches are also served throughout the district.

DPS offers Free and Reduced Meals to qualifying students. Students qualify based upon guidelines set by the Federal government. Applications may be picked up at your child's school. After completing the application, return it to the school for processing. If your child qualifies, a notification letter will be sent to the student's school within 10 business days.

The Office of Food Services utilizes the Family Application, in which one application is used for all students who reside in the same household. An exception applies to foster children, who require separate applications.

DPS students are able to receive free or reduced meals if they meet basic guidelines:

- Family income is at or below 130 percent of the poverty level
- A child whose family income is between 130 and 185 percent of the poverty level can receive reduced-cost meals (students in this category charged 40 cents per meal)
- After-school snacks and supper are provided for children using the same income guidelines; however, students attending a school where at least 50 percent of students are eligible for Meal Benefits are all provided snacks and supper free of charge. This applies to most DPS schools.

PRE-K

Detroit Public Schools offers free, full-day pre-kindergarten programs. We have certified teachers who use a High Scope Curriculum. We offer free breakfast, lunch and a snack, and provide services for children with special needs. Parent involvement is strongly encouraged and supported. Children must be 4 years old by December 1. Parents and guardians must apply in person and provide the following:

- Child's birth certificate
- Proof of income (W-2, pay stub, public assistance documents, etc.)
- A completed Child Application Form, which is available at every DPS pre-K

For a complete listing of pre-K programs, visit lmiInDPS.org

TRANSPORTATION

DPS provides school bus transportation to all students in grades K-8 who live three-quarters of one mile or more from their neighborhood school. Some high school students can qualify for free and reduced D-DOT bus cards, which are distributed two weeks after the start of school. To qualify, students must attend their neighborhood school, receive meal benefits and live more than 1.5 miles from school. Transportation for Special Education students is assigned based on each student's IEP.

To learn more, call the DPS Transportation Help Line at (313) 945-8600 or visit us online at detroitk12.org/transportation.

Parents of special education students may visit the Special Education Placement Center in the DPS Welcome Center or by calling (313) 870-3604 or (313) 870-3664.

SPORTS. PROUD STRONG LEARNERS.

The Detroit Public School League (PSL) is fertile territory for athletic talent. Because of the high caliber of competition, college coaches flock to our sporting events to find recruits. The PSL offers a full range of competition in baseball, track and field, cross country, tennis, golf, swimming and soccer for boys; and softball, volleyball, track and field, cross country, tennis, swimming, golf and soccer for girls.

If your child plans to compete in the Detroit PSL, make sure they complete a physical exam for sports, which you can get from your health care provider. Students must also maintain at least a 2.0 GPA in his/her core subjects: Math, English, Science and Social Studies.

PARENT RESOURCE CENTERS

The DPS Parent Resource Centers are comfortable community gathering spaces equipped with computers as well as phones, sofas, small libraries, play areas for children and more. They offer expert-led workshops, child care, job training, MEAP assistance, college information, coffee talks and other opportunities. Stop in to learn more about DPS schools, use the computers to tap into Learning Village or take advantage of one of the educational workshops.

Osborn High School

18400 Hoover Street (Room 121)
Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Summer hours:
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Phone: 313-245-3356

Central High School

2425 Tuxedo Street (Room 112)
Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Summer hours:
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Phone: 313-852-6995

Cody High School

18445 Cathedral Street (Room 112)
Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Summer hours:
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Phone: 313-866-9497

Priest Elementary-Middle School

7840 Wagner Street (Room 112)
Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Summer hours:
Mon-Thurs: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Fri: 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
Phone: 313-216-5675

Marcus Garvey Academy

2301 Van Dyke Street (Room 406)
Hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Summer hours:
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Phone: 313-245-3934

Detroit School of Arts West (DSA)

Langston Hughes Campus
19501 Berg Road
Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Summer hours:
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Phone: 313-494-7674

The Welcome Center

3031 W. Grand Boulevard
Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Summer hours:
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Phone: 313-873-7451

Phoenix Elementary-Middle School

7735 Lane Street
Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Summer hours:
Mon-Thurs: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Fri: 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
Phone: 313-554-8237

Enroll in Detroit Public Schools today!

For information, visit: lmiInDPS.org

or call 313-240-4DPS.

**First day of teaching and learning
is September 6, 2011.**