

University Elementary Monday Minute - August 1, 2022

- 1. Meet the Teacher (Meet and Greet) August 2nd @ 3:00
- 2. First Student Day August 3rd
- 3. Arrival and Dismissal
- 4. Car Riders and Walkers
- 5. Bus Riders
- 6. 1st-3rd Open House August 8th
- 7. 4th-6th Open House August 9th
- 8. 2022-2023 MCCSC Calendar
- 9. UES Food Service Updates (Breakfast, Lunch, Allergies)
- Meet the Teacher (Meet and Greet) is scheduled for Tuesday, August 2nd from 3:00-4:00. You may park in either of the UES parking lots or use the City Church parking lot. Class lists will be posted at the front of the school, next to classroom doors, and in each grade level hallway, so you don't have to wait in long lines at the front of the building to find out your child's teacher. Think of it like Disney World - head to the back of the park (school) first to avoid the crowds! This is the time for your child to meet their teacher and to drop off any school supplies that they don't want to haul on the bus the next morning.
- The first student day of the 2022-2023 school year will be Wednesday, August 3rd. Please note that our school day will be pushed back by 30 minutes. Our instructional day will run from 9:30 AM - 4:15 PM.
- 3. Car riders and walkers will begin to enter the building at 9:10 AM and buses will start to unload at 9:15 AM. In the afternoon, car riders and walkers will begin dismissal at 4:10 PM and buses will begin to load at 4:15 PM.
- 4. If you are dropping your child off in a car, please be patient while waiting in the car line. It gets very long. Please do not cut in front of other cards to get into the north parking lot. Instead, pull into the city church and get in line with everyone else. One of our UES staff members will direct you to pull across the street to our parking lot when it is safe. We need to work together to make this process as smooth and safe as possible. If you are parking at City Church and walking your



child across the street to school, please utilize Mr. Payton, our PE teacher and crossing guard, to help you safely cross the street. He will be present to stop traffic when appropriate. After you cross the street, you may walk your child up the sidewalk to the sandwich board that directs you to tell your child goodbye for the day, and you can exit to the left (you make a look - just watch the families that have done this the past three years). All families that are walking their child to the school need to park in the City Church lot and walk them across the street, both ways, using the crossing guard. Do not walk your child all the way to the red awning as this becomes a safety concern. A staff member will be present in the AM to greet you and your child as well as the PM to radio for you child to come out to meet you. I will send reminders about this process as needed. Ultimately, it takes patience and cooperation for us to be successful.

- 5. If you have not had the opportunity to check out MCCSC's new bus tracking app of the updates to our transportation process, please visit the MCCSC <u>Transportation website</u> for all the details. I have attached a PDF about accessing the new app to track where your child's bus is. Transportation has been a major focus for the district and we are excited to roll out this new process. Like anything new, it is going to take some time to get used to, which may mean that we will have some kinks to work out in the beginning. Please be patient as we get this new process up and running. Thank you for your flexibility.
- 6. 1st-3rd Open House will take place on Monday, August 8th. These are 30-minutes blocks of time for parents/guardians to meet with the classroom teacher. Childcare will be provided on the back playground (parents/guardians are responsible for drop off/pick up in a timely manner) for children ages 5+. If you have a child younger than 5, you will need to keep the child with you or make alternative plans as our playground is an open space and we will not have staff to watch individual children. 1st grade will begin at 5:30, 2nd grade at 6:00, and 3rd grade at 6:30.
- 4th-6th Open House will be on Tuesday, August 9th. The same format will be followed as described in item #6, above. 6th grade will begin at 5:30, 4th grade at 6:00, and 5th grade at 6:30.
- 8. Please access the <u>2022-2023 MCCSC Calendar</u> for important district dates including breaks, end of reporting periods, and holidays.
- 9. Please see the attached PDF with important information from our UES Food Service including breakfast/lunch prices, upcoming menu items, and important details that the kitchen must know about food allergies. Please note that the federal breakfast/lunch program will NOT continue for the 2022-2023 school year. Students WILL be charged for breakfast and lunch. It is important that you fill out the appropriate Free/Reduced application forms during the enrollment



process if you need to take advantage of free/reduced breakfast/lunch/textbooks. You can access this information in Skyward Family Access.

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