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December 4, 2020

Good morning,

Please read below for information and updates.

## WEEK OF DECEMBER 7, 2020:

- MYP Class Rotation
  - Monday - EVEN
  - Tuesday - ODD
  - Wednesday - EVEN
  - Thursday - ODD
  - Friday - ALL
  
- **Monday, December 7: Coffee with the Principal / 9:00 am - 10:00 Om**
  - Join me in a [Google Meet](#) as a partner in your child's education.



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## TEACHING & LEARNING

- Daily Bell Schedule: [Click here](#)
- Math Workbooks: If you have multiple elementary aged children and received the math workbooks yesterday, you can determine the grade level by looking on the spine of the workbook. There are dots that indicate the grade levels: 1st grade = 1 dot, 2nd grade = 2 dots, etc.
- Schoology Access for Students: Access to class meeting links (live teaching and learning) and assignments are in Schoology. Schoology classes are automatically entered based on student schedules.
  - [THIS LINK](#) is a presentation of how students can access and navigate Schoology.
- Schoology Access for Parents: Please **contact your child's teachers** for your Schoology Parent Code. Once you receive it:
  - Go to [schoology.com](https://www.schoology.com)
  - Click sign up at the top of the page
  - Select Parent
  
  - Enter the parent access code. The 12 digit code is xxxx-xxxx-xxxx
  - Fill out the form with your information
  - Click Register to complete
  - Note: when you use a parent access code to create an account, you are automatically associated with your child. You can add additional children to your account using the "add child" button.
  - [THIS LINK](#) will take you to a video of the Parent View in Schoology.

## OAKLAND SCHOOLS: PARTNERSHIPS AT HOME

Attend a variety of virtual workshops tailored to families who are adjusting to remote learning. All sessions are free of charge, but you must register. Click this link and you'll find registration information: <https://www.smore.com/sb0xg-partnerships-home>

## PTA

We are ready to re-start our PTA, so please click here to join. Dues are only \$10 per family. Click here to sign up:



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## iReady FAMILY REPORTS

Each student will receive a Family Report for the fall assessment via your child/rens school email account. Elementary teachers will send them for K-5th grade students; middle school English and Math teachers will send them for 6th-8th grade students **no later than Friday, December 18.**

## SCREEN TIME

Last month, Henry Ford Optimeyes presented at our Southfield Public Schools POWER Hour. Their team was phenomenal! One of the topics they addressed was the huge amount of screen-time our students and teachers engage in due to Covid-19. The doctors shared the 20/20/20 Rule and the 1/2/10 rule--see below!

The infographic is titled "Henry Ford HEALTH SYSTEM Optimeyes" and is divided into two sections: "Rule #1" and "Rule #2".

**Rule #1: TO HELP PREVENT DIGITAL EYE STRAIN**

- Icon: A smartphone, a laptop, and a clock.
- Text: TAKE A **20** SECOND BREAK
- Text: EVERY **20** MINUTES
- Icon: A person sitting at a desk looking out a window.
- Text: LOOK **20** FEET AWAY

**Rule #2: TO HELP PREVENT DIGITAL EYE STRAIN**

- Icon: A smartphone.
- Text: **1** FT FROM MOBILE PHONES
- Icon: A tablet and a laptop.
- Text: **2** FT FROM TABLETS & LAPTOPS
- Icon: A television screen.
- Text: **10** FT AT LEAST FROM THE TV SCREEN



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## WINTER BREAK CAMP

See the flyer below if your family is in need of childcare during the SPS Winter Break.



**CHAMPIONS**

# Count on us for winter break!

We keep kids happy and learning while school is out.

No matter what your winter break plans are, our full-day programs for school-age kids give kids a safe, steady, and fun learning experience during these topsy-turvy times.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
21st Minute to Win it Games  Pajama Day	22nd Science Club  Hat Day	23rd Cooking Club  Ugly Sweater Day
28th Upcycle Fashion Show  Crazy Sock Day	29th Art Club  Favorite Sport Team	30th New Year's Party  Happy New Year

Join us at Magnolia  
17050 Dorset  
Southfield MI 48075  
\$34 per scheduled day  
\$40 drop-in day  
6:30am to 6:00pm  
Dec 21, 22, 23  
Dec 28, 29 30

Enroll now [www.discoverchampions.com](http://www.discoverchampions.com)

**Talk with your site director to learn more!** Shannon Dingman 248-824-3048

## TECHNOLOGY

- All scheduled distributions are closed for students who need to borrow a computer or other technology. If your child still needs a computer or other technology, please reach out to the Oakland Schools Service Desk via phone at (248) 209-2060, email at [osservicedesk@oakland.k12.mi.us](mailto:osservicedesk@oakland.k12.mi.us) or [online ticket submission/LiveChat](#). The Oakland Schools technology team will schedule a day and time to pick one.
- Support: Please contact the Oakland Schools Help Desk with issues related to district issued technology (chromebook) at **248.209.2060**.

## STUDENT & FAMILY AGREEMENTS AND INFORMATION

Please click on each of the links below to read, agree to and supply important information for your child:



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- [Student Information Sheet](#): Contact and Health information
  - [Parent/Guardian Norms & Expectations](#)
  - [SPS Code of Conduct](#)

## SPS RETURN TO SCHOOL

Please visit this [site](#) for the most current SPS information regarding the Remote 2020/21 school year. You can also find information regarding Champions (full day care), meal services and other information related to Southfield Public Schools and our efforts to educate your child during the pandemic.

## STUDENT & FAMILY SUPPORT

Our new normal of remote learning may take an emotional toll on students and/or families. SPS has partnered with the agencies below to assist those in need of extra support.

The Student Support Network is an advocate and mediator for students who need additional resources to support behavioral/social goals or need a trusted adult for advice and guidance in non-academic matters.

The process outlined below affords district families access to mobile health services. Easterseals (Support for All Buildings). For current individuals/clients accessing services, Easterseals is offering telehealth. This can be completed through a smartphone, tablet or computer. For those individuals that do not have access to the internet, Easterseals is offering telephonic services. This process may be done on a case by case situation. Individuals can call (248) 475-6300 for an appointment.

For new individuals/clients, please call the (248) 475-2150 to get scheduled for intake. Easterseals will offer intake using telehealth and will continue to provide services using a telehealth platform.

Psychiatrists and doctors are using telehealth as well, please call (248) 475- 6300 for an appointment.

### EasterSeals Contact:

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Program Manager

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## THOMPSON STUDENT AND FAMILY HANDBOOK

Please take the time to review our [school handbook](#) with your child for this school year.

Enjoy your week, be well and stay safe!

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*Kindness in words creates confidence. Kindness in thinking creates  
profoundness. Kindness in giving creates love.*

Lao Tzu