

McAuliffe International School Weekly News

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McAuliffe School News | August 4, 2022

Dear McAuliffe Families,

The beginning of this school year is right around the corner! Don't forget - all families must complete online registration and sign the McAuliffe contracts by August 10th. Payment of school fees are due August 19th. More information on these back-to-school action items are below and on our [website](#).



Please know - students will not be able to pick-up their schedule at the Welcome Back Celebration until registration has been completed.

We can't wait to see everyone at our Welcome Back Celebration on Saturday, August 13th!

IMPORTANT DATES

For a full list of upcoming events visit our [website](#).

Saturday 8/13

Locker Set-up / Welcome Back Celebration, 9:00am

Thursday 8/18

6th Grade First Day of School

Monday 8/22

7th & 8th Grade First Day of School

Thursday 9/1

Back to School Night

Back to School Action Items - Due Wednesday, August 10th

- **Complete Registration** - To register online, sign in to [Parent Portal](#), click on "See All Apps," then click on "Online Registration."
 - Questions about registration can be sent to Laura Thompson at laura_thompson8@dpsk12.net.
- **Complete McAuliffe Contracts** - All McAuliffe students and their parent/guardian must review and complete (with an e-signature) all five [McAuliffe Contracts](#).
- **Pay Student Fees** - Student fees for 2022-23 are \$195 and are due August 19th. You can access your invoice directly through [MySchoolBucks](#) or through your [Parent Portal](#) account (click on "See All Apps" and then select "MySchoolBucks"). If you have not previously used MySchoolBucks you will have to add your student. If you need help with student fees, please complete the [Student Assistance Request form](#).
 - Questions regarding school fees can be sent to Tammy Pittman at tamara_pittman@dpsk12.net.

Welcome Back Celebration - Locker Set-up & Bike Parade - August 13th

All McAuliffe students and their families are invited to join us on Saturday, August 13th for our annual Welcome Back Celebration between 9:00-11:00am at McAuliffe. Students can pick up their schedule, set up their lockers and enjoy fun and games on the front lawn!

McAuliffe is again partnering with Councilman Chris Herndon to host this family-fun event! The Bike Parade begins at The Green at 29th & Roslyn in Central Park at 9:00am. For more details about the Bike Parade click [here](#). If you are not able to participate in the Bike Parade, please join us at McAuliffe between 9:00 and 11:00am for the Welcome Back festivities!

Sports at McAuliffe

- **Prep Sports** - Please see the [attached letter](#) which provides details on DPS Prep sports including requirements to play, as well as the sports that are offered at the middle school level. Unfortunately, we don't have sign-up or tryout information from DPS Athletics. As soon as we receive that information, we will share it with our community. If your student is interested in playing a sport at McAuliffe, the DPS physical form is attached [here](#). Physicals can be returned to the Athletic Director Natalie Barrios at n_barrios-marquez@dpsk12.net or dropped off at the Community Office once school starts.
- **Club & Intramural Sports** - This fall MIS will offer various intramural and club sports. Information regarding when and how to sign up, as well as dates and times of practices, will be posted on the MIS website by Monday August 15th. Students must be in good academic standing and have a current physical on file to participate. *Please note that many of these offerings have limited spots due to staffing and facilities. Sign-ups will be based on a first come first serve basis.
 - Fall Intramural Offerings
 - Girls Intramural Volleyball
 - Co-ed Intramural Tennis (Beginners)
 - Club Ultimate Frisbee
 - Boys Club Golf (Common Grounds)
 - Co-ed Indoor Rock Climbing (Ubergrippen)

Peaches for Sale to Support the McAuliffe at Smiley Foundation

The Cherry Creek Rotary Club is again selling Palisade Peaches and a portion of the proceeds to support the McAuliffe at Smiley Foundation. Peaches will be ready for pick up at McAuliffe on Saturday, August 27th.

Click [here](#) for the order form and more information and reserve your box by August 17th.



Getting Ready for 2022-2023 School Year

- **2022-23 McAuliffe School Calendar** - [Attached](#) is the calendar for the 2022-23 McAuliffe school year.
- **Order School Uniforms** - School uniforms can be purchased through [Impact We Print](#) online or in person at 3930 Holly Street
- **School Supplies** - If you ordered a school supply kit through Edukit it will be shipped directly to your home. We encourage students to bring their school supplies to Locker Set-up Day on August 13th.
 - [2022-23 McAuliffe School Supply List](#)
- **Student Assistance Requests** - If your family needs help with school supplies, uniforms, or school fees next school year, please complete the [22-23 Student Assistance Fund](#).
- **Sign-up for 2022-23 Student Meal Benefits**

The Free and Reduced Meal Benefit Program provides nutritionally balanced, low-cost or free meals to children each school day during the school year. Applications must be submitted each school year. To apply, visit the Food and Nutrition Services [website](#).
- **Transportation / Carpooling for 2022-23 School Year**

Please consider the below transportation options for this school year.

 - [DPS Transportation](#) - If your student qualifies for DPS Transportation (lives within enrollment zone AND 2.5 miles from school), you can sign-up for transportation through your [Parent Portal](#) account.
 - The 22-23 bus schedule for eligible students can be found [here](#). If you have any questions about DPS Transportation, please contact them at 730-423-4600 or visit the [Transportation website](#).
 - [Central Park/Park Hill Carpool Facebook group](#) to plan carpools with other families in the Park Hill/Central Park areas.
 - [Way to Go Schoolpool](#) - This is a free program for families to coordinate their own carpool. This option is ideal for families who live outside Central Park / Park Hill. Sign-up for Schoolpool [here](#).

RTD Transportation is FREE During August

During the entire month of August, RTD will offer zero fares across its system as part of the Zero Fare for Better Air initiative

Critical Needs Accepting School Supplies - Our Critical Needs committee are looking for donations of the following items: backpacks (either new, or gently used in good condition), 1" binders, and composition notebooks. They

are also still accepting donations of adult-size uniforms. Please contact Amy Parent at amy_parent@dpsk12.net if you would like to donate items. Thanks!

Connect with us on the Digital Deets Mobile App

Connect with us on our mobile app - Digital Deets! Access calendars, staff contact information and other resources easily from your mobile device. Here is how you can sign-up:



1. Head to [Digital Deets](#) or download the mobile app
2. Sign-up and connect to your child. (You will need you student's ID)
3. Choose your notifications preferences (push or email)

COUNSELOR CORNER

Student schedules are now available for viewing in the Student/Parent Portal. If you have any questions or concerns about your student's schedule, please contact their grade level's guidance counselor via email. Please know that our counselors do not return to the office until the second week of August, so you will not hear from them before then.

6th Grade Counselor- Jenny Pelo (jenny_pelo@dpsk12.net)

7th Grade Counselor- Katherine Grove (katherine_grove@dpsk12.net)

8th Grade Counselor- Lauren Brown (lauren_brown@dpsk12.net)

Safe2Tell Colorado

[Safe2Tell Colorado](#) offers anonymous reporting for ANYTHING that concerns you, your friends, your family or community. If you have any concerns whatsoever, please call 1-877-542-7233 or submit a report [online](#).



Mental Health Support for Colorado Youth

I Matter provides up to 3 free behavioral health sessions for youth in Colorado. Visit I.Matter.com for more information.

Substance Abuse Resources For Parents

The DPS Substance Use Prevention (SUP) Program was created to support schools with prevention and early intervention supports for youth substance use. Click [here](#) to learn more about the programs utilized by the Substance Use Prevention Program at DPS.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Discover Your Strength, Build Your Confidence!

At [Mighty Movement Academy](https://www.MightyMovementAcademy.com), we understand the best coaching at the right time can change your whole life! Our uplifting programs teach kids how to safely build strength at a young age. Now registering for fall after-school programs!
www.MightyMovementAcademy.com



THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS

Support the McAuliffe at Smiley Foundation

It's not too late! If you missed the Spring Fling Fundraising event but would still like to donate to the McAuliffe at Smiley Foundation, you can do so through this QR code.
Thank you for your support!



Support McAuliffe and Become a Sponsor!

We love the collaboration with our community and how much we can also help support the local businesses in our neighborhood! As we begin another year for our amazing students, we are reaching out to community leaders, businesses, and partners to sponsor our school again.

The McAuliffe at Smiley Foundation exists to support McAuliffe and aims to raise money each year to help fund the costs of student enrichment programs, critical needs (student uniforms, food bank, school supplies, etc..), and building improvements for the McAuliffe at the Smiley campus. We are looking forward to an awesome year for our students and the community!

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact our Community Liaison Michelle Moore at michelle_moore@dpsk12.org.

Follow us on Instagram [@McAuliffeIntlSchool](https://www.instagram.com/McAuliffeIntlSchool) and check us out on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/McAuliffeIntlSchool)!

IMPORTANT LINKS

[McAuliffe Website](#)

[Calendar and Bell Schedule](#)

[DPS Choice and Enrollment](#)

[DPS Transportation Services](#)

[DPS Parent Portal](#)

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