

MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

PRE-KINDERGARTEN – HIGH SCHOOL



IMPORTANT DATES: PRE-KINDERGARTEN — EIGHTH GRADE

Feb 6, 2016	School Fair Showcase
March 5, 2016	School requests due for priority placement
Early April, 2016	Placement letters mailed
April 15, 2016	Kindergarten <i>early admission</i> deadline
May 5, 2016	Citywide kindergarten registration day
Mid to late August	Bus stop postcards mailed
Aug. TBA, 2016	First day of school - grades 1-12
Aug. TBA, 2016	First day of school - high five and kindergarten
Sept. 5, 2016	Labor Day - no school

IMPORTANT DATES: HIGH SCHOOL

Feb 6, 2016	School Fair Showcase
March 5, 2016	School requests due for priority placement
Early April, 2016	Placement letters mailed
April 15, 2016	High school placement appeal deadline
April 29, 2016	High school appeal letters mailed
Aug TBA, 2016	First day of school - grades 1-12
Sept 5, 2016	Labor Day - no school

MINNEAPOLIS SCHOOL FAIR SHOWCASE:

- **For families looking for a school High Five through grade 12**
- **Date:** Saturday, February 6, 2016
- **Time:** 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- **Location:** Minneapolis Convention Center
1301 S 2nd Ave, Minneapolis, 55403
- Free parking – see where: <http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
- Free child care for children ages 3-5

CONTACTS:

- **Student Placement Services**
Davis Center
1250 W. Broadway Ave., Minneapolis 55411
612.668.1840
- **New Families Center**
Wilder Complex – 34th & Chicago Av, Door 1
Student Placement & English Assessment
3345 Chicago Avenue, Minneapolis 55407
612.668.3700
- **Early Childhood Screening -**
612.668.3715
Screening is available at the above locations. It is recommended for all children beginning at age three; and is required for children entering High Five and kindergarten.

PRINTABLE MATERIALS AVAILABLE :

- Print or view all materials at:
<http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
- Explore MPS catalog (Pre-K - HS book)*
 - Pre-K, K-8 and high school request forms*
 - Preparing for Kindergarten booklet*
- * Available in English, Hmong, Somali & Spanish*

FINDING INFORMATION:

- MPS Website www.mpls.k12.mn.us
- MPS School Request Center (PK-8) <http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
- MPS High School Request Center <http://highschoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
- School Websites <http://schoolname.mpls.k12.mn.us> (example: <http://cityview.mpls.k12.mn.us>)
- MPS Research Evaluation and Assessment Department <http://rea.mpls.k12.mn.us/>
- Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) <http://education.state.mn.us>

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR NEW STUDENTS:

All new students need: Birth record (birth certificate, immigration documents or passport), immunization record, record of physical exam. **Additional documents needed for:**

- High Five and kindergarten: Early childhood screening
- High school: Transcripts for completed grades 8-12
- In many cases, proof of address will be required (especially for High Five and high school)

HIGH FIVE:

High Five is the Minneapolis Public Schools preschool program, located in 24 schools. To be eligible, students must be four years old by September 1. Students who are residents of Minneapolis and qualify for free or reduced price meals are prioritized for placement, followed by those who submit school request cards by the priority deadline date of March 5, 2016.

KINDERGARTEN:

Students who are five by Sept. 1 are eligible for kindergarten. For the best chance to get the school you want, turn in the school request card by the priority deadline date - March 5, 2016. **Note:** High Five students are *not* automatically enrolled in kindergarten. A school request must be submitted for kindergarten placement.

Students whose HOME LANGUAGE is not English:

Minneapolis Public Schools must assess English language skills of all incoming students who speak a home language other than English to determine whether they qualify for English Learner (EL) support at school. Parents should call the New Families Center, 612.668.3700, to schedule an appointment. Staff members at this office speak multiple languages.