

Firebirds Newsletter

Folwell Community School

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Principal's Message

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Greetings to Folwell Families,

I am pleased to highlight a few of the great things happening at Folwell:

Students in Ms. Lodemeier's class read over 6000 minutes, which resulted in a Pizza Party on Friday April 22.

Assembly for the K- 2nd grade students with guest TC the Bear, mascot of the Twins baseball team

Jackie Bird, an internationally known Native American performer, gave a presentation for our 3-5th grade students.

Midtown Global Market student art display was celebrated on the evening of Friday, April 22nd with food, fellowship, and live music.

We look forward to more opportunities to celebrate the great things happening at Folwell.

MCA testing has started this week; we are encouraging students to take their time and do their best. We would like this process to be as stress free as possible.

Lacy Cannon

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Ramadan

We know that some students will miss school due to Ramadan celebrations. If your student will be absent, please call the attendance line at 612-668-4553. The absence will be excused.



Health Office Updates

As many of you know COVID-19 protocols have changed within our MPS and Folwell Community. The following are protocols that **have changed:**

- Masks are now optional for all staff and students.
- The quarantine period has changed from 10 days to 5 days at home + 5 days at school with a well-fitting mask. Students who are unable to wear a mask at school will need to stay home for the full 10 days.
- Universal contact tracing has ended. This means families will NOT be notified of a COVID exposure in the school unless it is recommended by the Department of Health.

The following are protocols that **have NOT changed:**

- Students and staff that test **positive** for COVID will still be required to isolate (stay at home and away from others) for 10 days.
- Students that have any symptoms of COVID need to stay home and get a COVID test before returning to school.

For any questions or concerns please contact the school nurse, Rachael Popp, at 612-668-4558 or Rachael.popp@mpls.k12.mn.us



Family Engagement Survey

Planning for the 2022-23 school year is underway and we need your input about family engagement activities.



Please complete the family engagement survey by May 13, <https://tinyurl.com/37fppmm7>

Update Your Contact Information

It is critical that we have up-to-date contact information for you in case of an emergency. We also need to have the names of everyone



authorized to pick-up your child at school. Please call the **Main Office at 612-668-4550** to update your information.



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Summer Programs

Looking for something fun to do this summer? Minneapolis Community Education is offering new experiences for youth that provide educational enrichment, skill building, a sense of community, social and emotional learning, and recreational opportunities! Check- out our free or low-cost, in-person options throughout Minneapolis, https://enrichment.mpls.k12.mn.us/Summer_Programs.

Summer programs available between June 27th and August 11th.

Question? Contact alicia.robey@mpls.k12.mn.us or 612-668-4590.

Link to register:

https://enrichment.mpls.k12.mn.us/Summer_Programs

Upcoming Events/Important Dates

May

17 - Food Shelf

30 - Memorial Day, No School

June

20 - Juneteenth, No School

21 - Food Shelf

24 - Last Day for Pre-K-12

27 - Teacher Record Keeping Day

July

July 5 - 28 - Summer school
(Fridays off)

