

Adams Update January 21, 2022

Next Week's Schedule: MPS Flexible Schedule Plan

Here is a summary of information you received yesterday regarding the MPS Flexible Schedule Plan.

Monday, January 24

No school for students.

Tuesday, January 25 & Wednesday, January 26--Virtual Learning

Virtual learning will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 25 & 26. Students will bring Chromebooks/chargers home today. If your child is not in attendance today, you can pick up those items in the front lobby today or Monday, from 8:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Your student's schedule for Tuesday and Wednesday will be:

8:30-11:30 a.m.--Live virtual session with the teacher (use Chromebooks, Canvas site)

12:30-2:30 p.m.--Individual & small group mini-sessions scheduled by the teacher

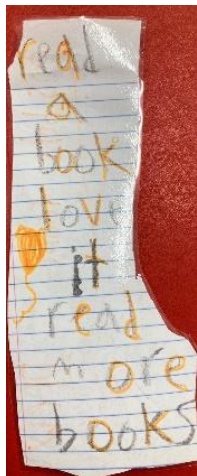
Note: there will also be Auxiliary lessons available for your student online (Art, Music, PE, World Language).

Thursday, January 27 & Friday, January 28

We will return to in-person instruction on Thursday, January 27. On February 1 the district will review the situation and determine if it will be necessary to have virtual instruction days on February 4 & 7.

Meal pick-up at Adams Elementary will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 25. Students will receive four meals at the Tuesday pick-up (two for Tuesday and two for Wednesday). Students are expected to pick up their meals from their home school, so Adams students should pick those meals up here at Adams, by the Lower Elementary entrance.

A Note from Mrs. Matcheck in the Media Center...



This fall, I received a very special handmade bookmark from 3rd grader Drew Sovis. His bookmark included these wise words:

READ A BOOK... LOVE IT... READ MORE BOOKS

I liked it so much, I asked Adams parent Michelle Morgenstern if she would design an Adams bookmark using Drew's words. Michelle came up with this wonderful design, and soon each of our Adams students will receive their own custom-made Adams bookmark with our new library theme!

Thank you, Drew, for your inspired words!

Thank you, parents, for instilling a love of reading in your children!



Kindergarten Roundup—Tuesday, February 1, 6pm

Our **Kindergarten Roundup** for Fall 2022 Kindergarten students is **Tuesday, February 1, 6pm**, here at the **Adams Cafeteria**. If you have a student that will be in Kindergarten next fall, please plan to attend for updates and information. If you know of anyone with an incoming Kindergarten student, please pass this information along. Any questions, please call the school at 989-923-6037.



NWEA Family Reports

As classes finish up the NWEA assessment, teachers will be sending home *Family Reports* for each student. The reports include information about student achievement and student growth, for both **Reading** and **Math**.

The **achievement** info will show you how your child scored, compared to other same-grade students nation-wide. This is listed as a *percentile* score. 50th percentile is the middle score. If your student's score is listed as 50th percentile, they did better than 50% of the students that took the test. If they score at 75th percentile, they did better than 75% of students that took the test.

There will also be a **growth** percentile. The growth compares your student's score now to their score in the fall, and then shows how that growth is related to the growth of other same-age students nation-wide. The graph in this section of the report will give you a visual representation of how your child's growth compares to others. If you have questions about the report, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or your child's teacher.

GYM SHORTS From Mr. Seebeck

We've been having a great time in PE classes. We finished 2021 with Reindeer Games and it seemed that everyone had a fabulous time.

2022 is off to a great start. We played a game called Battleship where we practiced our throwing skills while trying to sink other teams' "boats." We also completed our mid-year assessments of gross motor skills for grades Kindergarten, 1 and 2. Students are assessed on their balance, jumping, hopping, galloping, skipping and running.

Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders have been practicing gross motor skills during warm up and working on manipulative skills with hula hoop and bean bags.

3rd, 4th and 5th graders are assessed on sustained physical activity. The benchmark at this point of the school year is five minutes of sustained activity, so we simply jog for five minutes.

3rd, 4th and 5th graders have started a new warm up that we call "Top Gun." It is three minutes and six exercises. Ask your child about it and maybe even try it at home. In the next few weeks, we'll start playing Paddleton, a game similar to badminton.

As always, please reach out to me with any questions or concerns you have regarding gym class and look for activities out of school to help keep your children active.

PTO Update

Be sure to check out today's PTO Update. You'll notice the sneak peek at the dates for the Spring Book Fair!
[Adams Atoms Newsletter Jan 21](#)

Upcoming Events

Mon, Jan 24	No school for students
Tu, Jan 25 & Wed, Jan 26	Virtual Instruction for students
Thurs, Jan 27	Return to face-to-face instruction
Feb 18 – 21	No school for students

It was a great week here at Adams. We look forward to seeing you and your students, virtually (Tuesday and Wednesday) and face-to-face (Thursday and Friday), next week. Have a nice weekend!

Educationally yours,

Scott Cochran

Principal