

December Consent Agenda 2025

DAC Family Engagement Report December 2025

NEW CALENDARS ARE APPROVED FOR 2026–27 AND 2027–28

The district calendars for the 2026–27 and 2027–28 school years are now approved! Calendars (option B for 2026–27 and option F for 2027–28) are now available at mpsmke.com/calendar. These calendars were chosen based on feedback from nearly 2,500 staff and family members who took our survey.

For 2026–27, the selected calendar was the top vote-getter among staff and roughly tied among families. For 2027–28, the approved calendar was the top choice of staff and families. Thank you to everyone for contributing feedback!

By the end of December, we expect to have printable calendars posted in multiple languages for easy access.

DIRECT ADMIT PROGRAM

MPS high school juniors: apply for college in one easy step!

Direct Admit allows current MPS juniors to apply for admission to MATC and 10 University of Wisconsin campuses using a quick online or paper form. As we are sharing educational data, parental consent is required if the student is under 18.

Direct Admit website:

<https://mps.milwaukee.k12.wi.us/en/Programs/Postsecondary-Engagement/M3/Milwaukee-Direct-Admit.htm>

[Flyer-English](#)

[Flyer-Spanish](#)

[Direct Admit Permission Slip](#)

I VOTED EARLY” STICKER DESIGN CONTEST!

The Milwaukee Election Commission and Milwaukee Public Schools are excited to share the finalists for the “I Voted Early” Sticker Design Contest!”

Students, families, and staff from across MPS sent in amazing designs — and now it’s your turn to help pick the winners!

 **Vote online November 17 – December 17, 2025**

 Head to www.milwaukee.gov/election to see the finalists and cast your vote.

Winning designs will be printed as official “I Voted Early” stickers for the 2026–2027 elections — handed out to voters all over the city!

Let’s show our Milwaukee pride and make voting something to celebrate.  

The Milwaukee Election Commission

www.milwaukee.gov/election

Option 1:

It’s time to VOTE! The Milwaukee Election Commission and Milwaukee Public Schools are excited to announce finalists for the ‘I Voted Early’ Sticker Design Contest! Now we need the City of Milwaukee to choose the winners! Visit <https://city.milwaukee.gov/election> to cast your ballot by December 17!

Option 2:

The “I Voted Early” sticker finalists are in — now you choose the winners! Cast your vote by December 17! 

 <https://city.milwaukee.gov/election>

FAMILY WEBINAR—How Therapy Can Support Children

Mental health and the role of therapy are often misunderstood. Parents and family members can attend a webinar to learn about the benefits of therapy and how to support children.

Thursday, December 11, 2025

7:00–8:00 p.m.

Please register at

dhs.wisconsin.gov/meeting/register/Cyl44ulMTVmq7ceOmJqe1g#/registration

Download a flyer to access a QR code for registration.

Sponsored by Milwaukee Public Schools and the Wisconsin Office of Children's Mental Health.

EVERY DAY COUNTS! CONTINUE GREAT ATTENDANCE HABITS

Star students are in school every day! Missing even one or two days per month means that children miss out on learning.

We want all our students in school every day so they can continue good attendance habits that started in fall.

If your family needs support getting children to school every day, contact the Parent Coordinator at your child's school. They may be able to locate resources to support attendance.

Families: Remember that you can check attendance by logging in to the Campus Parent Portal at mpsmke.com/parentportal. If you need assistance, scroll down in this newsletter for contact information.

MPS IS HIRING! Visit Our Final Career Fairs of the Year!

MPS seeks exceptional individuals to join our team! The district is hosting monthly fairs to help job seekers explore careers and learn more about working in MPS.

The district is looking for teachers, substitute teachers, food service managers, and more.

Each job fair seeks specific positions; contact our recruitment coordinators to find out what jobs will be offered by emailing mpscordinators@milwaukee.k12.wi.us.

Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

MPS Central Services—5225 W. Vliet St., Milwaukee, 53208

Thursday, Dec. 4, 2025, from 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Milwaukee High School of the Arts—2300 W. Highland Ave., Milwaukee, 53233

[**Read more about excellent benefits and open positions.**](#)

RETIRED TEACHERS—COME BACK TO CLASSROOMS!

MPS wants every child to succeed! As part of this goal, the district is working to ensure that a licensed, qualified teacher is in every classroom. A new effort is underway to fill vacancies—MPS is inviting retired teachers to come back to schools and use their skills to support students. This effort is open to retirees interested in coming back full time, part time, or by sharing a classroom with a fellow retiree.

The first 90 retired teachers to be successfully placed in a school and continue to work for six months will be eligible for a \$1,000 bonus. The offer is open to retirees from MPS or any other Wisconsin school district.

Teachers can apply for current positions at mpsmke.com/jobs. For questions or more information, email mpscoordinators@milwaukee.k12.wi.us or call (414) 475-8224.

WHERE'S THE BUS? DOWNLOAD THE APP!

Student safety is a top priority in MPS. District families have access to an exciting app to help track their child's bus—*WheresTheBus*! This app allows families to track their child's bus in real time.

The app is free! Families can access *WheresTheBus* from any internet-enabled device—smartphone, tablet, PC, or iPad. Apple iOS and Android apps are available.

To access *WheresTheBus*, families must have a Campus Parent (parent portal) account with a login and password. These can be set up two ways:

- At each child's school during regular school hours; an ID is required; OR
- At MPS Central Services, 5225 W. Vliet St., Milwaukee, WI 53208, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; an ID is required

Learn more and read how to access the app on the MPS website at [WheresTheBus](#)

PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK ON RIGHTS, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND DISCIPLINE

Families! Do you have questions? This handbook is the best source of information to be informed about behavior and discipline, attendance, student records, transportation, winter weather, student medications, and family supports. Please read this booklet with your student before school starts.

Read more about the MPS Code of Conduct and everything you need for a successful school year at mpsmke.com/rights.

IMPORTANT: MPS STUDENTS REQUESTING A TRANSFER

MPS uses an online process to enroll in school, but current MPS students who wish to transfer to another MPS school must have a parent or guardian make the request in person.

Help is available Monday through Friday,

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Requests must be made at MPS Central Services, 5225 W. Vliet St., Milwaukee, 53208.

Students who are new to the district or who are returning after attending a school outside the district can enroll online at mpsmke.com/enroll.

CAMPUS PARENT PORTAL TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Live Parent Portal (Campus Parent) support is available from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

To recover a username/password: Parents/guardians should email parentportal@milwaukee.k12.wi.us. Include the parent/guardian name, child's name, birth date, and a contact number. If you do not receive a phone call or email within 24 hours, please call (414) 475-8159 for further assistance. **For assistance setting up a new Parent Portal account:** Parents/guardians may call (414) 475-8159 or email parentportal@milwaukee.k12.wi.us

VISIT THE NEW MPS STUDENT JOB BOARD

MPS has a Student Job Board to help your job search! Browse part-time and summer jobs and find youth apprenticeships, internships, volunteer opportunities, events, resources, and community programs. Jobs are constantly being added, so check back often!

The Job Board also allows you to research career areas, save jobs, and track your applications.

Please read the instructions on the attached flyer carefully.

[Student flyer in English](#)
[Student flyer in Spanish](#)

Then go to <https://milwaukeek12.careerwebsite.com/> to get started.

Employers--post your jobs! **Download the Employer flyer** to learn more!

MPS READS

Each month, MPS provides a list of recommended books for preschool through grade 12 that allows students to see themselves, explore other cultures, and discover more about the world in which they live.

Help ignite a passion for reading! [Access the monthly book list on the MPS Reads page.](#)

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Upcoming Meetings:

If you'd like to follow the meetings of the Milwaukee Board of School Directors, visit the [Milwaukee Board of School Directors page](#) to find the meeting schedule, agendas, and links to watch or listen to live meetings. Instructions for public testimony are also offered on this page.

Committee on Family and Community Engagement: Tues. Dec. 9, 5:30 p.m.

Committee on Student Achievement and School Innovation: Thurs. Dec. 11, 5:30 p.m.

Committee on Accountability, Finance, and Personnel: Tues. Dec. 16, 5:00 p.m.

Committee on Legislation, Rules, and Policies: Tues. Dec. 16, 6:30 p.m.

Regular Monthly Board Meeting: Thurs. Dec. 18, 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Meeting of the Milwaukee Public School District Advisory Council

Thursday, November 6, 2025

6:00 pm – Virtual

- I. Welcome
- II. DAC Executive Committee Welcome
 - a. Introductions
 - b. Virtual Etiquette
- III. Consent Agenda
 - a. Family and Community Engagement Report
 - b. Review the October 2025 Meeting Agenda
- IV. New Business
 - a. New DAC Liaison: District 6: Mimi Reza
 - b. DAC Leadership Opportunities
 - c. MPS Board Information
- V. Positive Notes
- VI. Presentations
 - a. Eduardo Galvan - Deputy Superintendent at Milwaukee Public Schools
 - i. Safe Haven Resolution at MPS
 - b. Michael Harris - Chief of Staff at Milwaukee Public Schools
 - i. MPS School District Calendar 2026-27 Parent Input
- VII. Evaluation & Adjourn



Welcome to the MPS District Advisory Council

We are excited you're joining us today!

Please sign-in with the link in the chat!

At this time,
can you
please mute
your
microphone?



MPS parents and guardians play a vital role in the student success. We want to understand how best to support you to improve family and community engagement — your opinion is important to us.

We will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m.

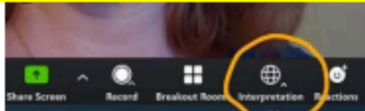
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Bienvenido al Consejo Asesor Distrital de MPS

¡Estamos emocionados de que te unas a nosotros hoy!

¡Por favor regístrate con el link del chat!

Si necesita interpretación en español, haga clic en el icono del globo en la parte inferior de la pantalla para acceder a esa función.



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DAC Virtual Meeting Etiquette

- Enter Name and School representing on screen name.
- Please mute your mic.
- Enter all questions in the chat.
- Email questions and comments to dac@milwaukee.k12.wi.us

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District Advisory Council Executive Committee

- We are recruiting for the Executive Committee!
- Our next meeting will be November 12th at 5pm virtually
- Shout out to the parents who came to the last meeting!
 - Henry Leonard
 - Shannon Pahlicek
 - Kristen Payne

If you are interested in joining the Executive Committee, please fill out the form that will be shared in the chat, and linked in this QR Code.



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Consent Agenda

October 2nd, 2025 Meeting

October Attendance

- 1) There were 75 people in attendance



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Positive Notes

Please share the positive things going on at your schools in the chat!



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Positive Notes



- Forest Home School's 2nd annual Dia de los Muertos celebration which grew a lot thanks to parents that came out to help!
- Carver Academy:
 - The school gave out brand new winter coats on October 30th to the students
 - This school year they are doing hearing and sight screening for all grade levels
 - Spirit week went great. The kids loved it!

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- Milwaukee School of Language's Theater Department will be performing "All in the Timing" a compilation of six one-act comedies. This is the first play being performed at MSL in over a decade.

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New Business

- New School Board Liaison to the District Advisory Council
 - Director Mimi Reza, District 6
- DAC 2025-26 school year will continue virtually, based on survey results from delegates last school year



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Presentation

MPS Safe Haven Resolution

- Eduardo Galvan
 - Deputy Superintendent



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Presentation

School Calendars for 2026-27

- Michael Harris
 - Chief of Staff



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Questions?



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MINUTES

Meeting of the Milwaukee Public School District Advisory Council

Thursday, November 6, 2025

Date:	
Item:	Discussion:
Welcome	Regina S. opened the meeting at 6:00 pm and welcome everyone to sign in via the link in the chat.
Consent Agenda	Reviewed the December Consent Agenda and shared with DAC members for 12/22/25
New Business	Introduce New DAC Liaison: District 6: Mimi Reza Share or invites member to the DAC Leadership Opportunities MPS Board Information
Positive Notes	Schools or number of schools shared families and other events happenings at their schools.
Presentation	The following presentations given by the Office of the Superintendent: Safe Haven Resolution: Eduardo Galvan, Duty Superintendent of Schools presented the safe haven about the district's Safe Haven Resolution. The website can be founded on here and families are encouraged to review the presentation. District Calendar: Michael Harris, Chief of Schools presented the calendar options for families to vote on in an upcoming survey to families. The link form families to vote will be available next week.
Adjourn	Meeting ended at 7:00 pm.

Action Items: No action items at this time.