



ParentSquare for Families

District 191 uses ParentSquare for school communication, primarily with email, text and app notifications.

ParentSquare Features

Here's what you can do with ParentSquare:

- Receive messages from the school via email, text or app notification
- Choose to receive information as it comes or all at once at 6 p.m. daily
- Communicate in your preferred language
- Comment on school postings to engage in your school community
- Direct message teachers, staff and other parents
- Participate in group messages
- Send signed forms & permission slips, receive report cards, sign up to volunteer and more, all from your phone or web portal

Getting Started

1. Log in to ParentSquare

Watch for an invitation to each parent, sent to your preferred email address and phone number, and click the link to activate your ParentSquare account.

2. Download the App

We encourage parents to access their accounts via the mobile app. Parents are not required to download the app to view messages from the school district. However, downloading the app makes it easier to receive and respond to messages.

3. Set Your Preferences

Click into My Account to choose your preferred language and determine your notification preferences.

By default, users will receive a daily “digest” summary at 6 p.m., meaning parents will receive one message in the evening notifying them of all messages from District 191 schools for the whole day. Within your notification settings, you can also choose from:

- Off (not recommended)
- Instant - messages arrive as they're sent



Emergency alerts are always sent instantly.

Please note that parents can opt out of all texts by replying “STOP” to any text from District 191, but this will mean that you will not receive emergency notifications by text, including for inclement weather or other emergencies.



Family Guide: Digital Toolkit for Communication

District 191 utilizes the following tools to streamline communication and share information with families.

Family & Student Communication

ParentSquare



- District & school announcements
- Emergency communication
- Communication via email, text, phone or app
- Direct individual messages via text or app
- Group messages (teams, co-curriculars)
- Two-way translation for all messages

Student Information

ParentVue



- Attendance
- End of term grades
- Health information
- Student schedules
- Meal account information
- Bus route information
- Emergency contacts

Learning Management

Seesaw (Grades PreK-5)



- Academic assignments
- Classroom/teacher communication
- A look inside the classroom

Schoology (Grades 6-12)



- Academic assignments
- Progress grades during term
- Teacher/student communication

Payments & Services



MySchoolBucks

Meal accounts & technology fines



MySchoolApps

Application for Educational Benefits



MealViewer

Daily menus & nutrition information



Arux

Community Education course registration



MyStop

Bus tracking app