



DIALOG DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

**AUG
2026**

BOUNCE BACK TO SCHOOL

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2026

5-8 PM, RILEY UPPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

15555 HENRY RUFF, LIVONIA MI 48154

- Face Painting • Balloon Artists •
- Inflatables • Petting Zoo •
- Pony Rides • DJ/Dance Party •



- Admission: \$6 cash/\$7 credit per child (Age 3 & up) •
- Concessions available for purchase •
- Shuttles available from Roosevelt Elementary School •

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE LPS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

For New Families

New families can begin the registration process at www.livoniapublicschools.org/registration.

If you have any questions, please email registration@livoniapublicschools.org.

Not sure which school your child will attend?

Go to the link

<https://webapps.resa.net/sa/>

and type in your street address to locate your school!

ONLINE REGISTRATION AT A GLANCE

- Visit www.livoniapublicschools.org/registration to begin the registration process as early as possible.
- Complete the registration forms online, and upload all the required documents. If you are unable to load your documents, you will be required to present them in person.
- After you complete your pre-enrollment we will contact you via email to schedule your appointment. If you were able to upload your documents we will be able to process your enrollment over the phone.
- If you do not have access to a computer, paper packets will be available for you to complete at our Central Office M-Th 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

BEFORE AND/OR AFTER SCHOOL CHILDCARE INFORMATION

734-744-2966

livoniapublicschools.org/sacc

Office hours are Monday through Friday,
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

HEALTH RECORDS FOR NEW STUDENTS

All new students must have up-to-date immunization records, or a waiver from the Wayne County Health Department. Vision records are required for incoming kindergartners.

Contact Pupil Accounting at 734-744-2541 or email registration@livoniapublicschools.org with any questions.

welcome Livonia Public Schools registration



Complete our pre-enrollment
using the QR codes below!



Step 1:
Collect the
Required Documents



Step 2:
Complete your
Pre-Enrollment

Once pre-enrollment is complete, you
will be contacted to process enrollment.

Call 734-744-2541
for more information.

Visit www.livoniapublicschools.org/registration
to begin your registration.

SCHOOL TOURS FOR NEW FAMILIES

School tours for K-6 families
who are new to the district will be
offered at all K-4 and Upper
Elementary schools.*

Tours available August 20th
10 am and 4pm

No reservations are required.
Please attend the tour at
your child's assigned school.

*Webster and Niji-Iro tours will be available
once construction is complete.



THE POWER OF WHAT'S NEXT

Greetings LPS Community,

Looking Ahead

There is truly something special about the beginning of a school year. Classrooms are ready, hallways begin to fill once again, and there is a renewed sense of excitement throughout our schools. Every August offers a fresh start—a chance to learn something new, reconnect with friends, and look ahead with optimism!

As I reflect on the many school years I've been privileged to experience in Livonia Public Schools, as a student myself, an educator, and as a school leader, one lesson stands out. While we often celebrate the milestones, *it is the ordinary days in between that truly shape our students' lives*. Great schools aren't built in a single moment—they are built one day at a time.

Every Student's Next Step

For our youngest learners, "what's next" may be walking into school for the very first time. (Shout out to our incoming Class of 2039!) A classroom becomes a place where letters become words, classmates become friends, and learning begins to feel exciting. *Watching that transformation never ever gets old.*

As our students grow, each new school year brings opportunities to discover new interests, gain confidence, and realize they are capable of more than they imagined. Success doesn't happen all at once. It grows through effort, encouragement, and the belief that tomorrow is another chance to learn.

For our high school students, each year brings them closer to the future they are creating. Some are preparing for college, others for careers, military service, or the skilled trades. Many are still discovering where their passions lie, and that's exactly what these years are for. Every experience helps them better understand themselves and the path they want to pursue.

For our seniors, the awesome Class of 2027, this year is especially meaningful. It is a time to enjoy favorite school traditions, celebrate friendships, and prepare for graduation. While they may be thinking about what comes after high school, I really hope they also take time to appreciate the journey that brought them here. At that age, I remember always thinking "I can't wait until I can..." As we get older, we better understand the importance of savoring the moments we are living as we live them!

The Power of Every Day

When people think about schools, they often remember the big moments—graduation, concerts, championships, or performances. Those memories are important, but they are made possible by hundreds of ordinary school days.

It's the teacher who notices when a student is struggling.
The classmate who offers a word of encouragement.
The bus driver who greets a child by name.
The custodian who takes pride in creating a welcoming school.
The office secretary who calms a nervous parent.
The coach who reminds a student not to give up.

The leader who sets the right tone each day, even on the tough ones.

Those moments may seem small, but they leave lasting impressions. They remind us that *every interaction matters because every student matters*.

Together, We Make the Difference

One of the things I have always loved most about Livonia Public Schools is that our students are surrounded by people who genuinely care. Our teachers and staff, families, volunteers, and community members each play an important role in helping children grow—not just academically, but as kind and capable young people.

That is what gives me so much confidence as we look toward another school year. No matter what challenges may come, we face them together, and our students are stronger because of it.

A Year Filled with Opportunity

As we begin the 2026-27 school year, I encourage each of us to embrace whatever comes next. Celebrate the progress, however small. Offer encouragement when someone needs it. Remember that today's lesson, today's conversation, or today's act of kindness *may become tomorrow's turning point for a child*.

Thank you for your continued support of Livonia Public Schools. I can't wait to see what this school year will bring, one day at a time.

Welcome back, and my very best wishes for a wonderful school year!!

Andrea L. Oquist



Superintendent



TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

If your student qualifies for bus transportation for the 2026–2027 school year, you must complete the electronic bus registration form sent by email. Each registration email contains a unique link for your student.

Bus registration and the Stopfinder mobile app are separate. Stopfinder will be the district's primary transportation communication tool for the upcoming school year, providing bus schedules, live bus tracking, alerts, and push notifications regarding delays.

Families are asked to complete the bus registration form even if their student will not use transportation at this time. Simply indicate that transportation is not needed. Transportation can be added later if your family's needs change, but receiving a response from every family helps the district properly plan routes and staffing.

If you did not receive a bus registration email:

- Check with the primary parent or guardian listed for your student in our Student Information System.
- Check your spam, junk, and promotions folders.
- If you still cannot locate the registration email, contact Transportation at lbsbus@livoniapublicschools.org.

Stopfinder invitations and bus route information will be provided during the second week of August. Route information will also be available in ParentConnect.

FOOD SERVICE UPDATE

The breakfast program begins in all schools August 24.

The lunch program begins in middle and high schools on August 24, and in elementary schools August 25.

For more information, contact the Food Service Department at (734) 744-2820 or via email at: foodservice@livoniapublicschools.org.

REMINDER: FILL OUT FEDERAL FORMS

It remains important for families to complete the federal forms to be eligible for benefits available to income-eligible households. Benefits include the summer EBT program and reduced Pay to Participate fees for LPS athletics and activities. Filling out the form also enables Livonia Public Schools to receive important state funding for educational programs.

Please check the Food and Nutrition Services webpage at <https://www.livoniapublicschools.org/departments/food-and-nutrition-services> for more information on applying.

PARENTCONNECT UPDATE

No later than August 20, 2026, all parents are required to login to ParentConnect to complete the electronic back-to-school information packet, including your contact information and emergency card information, for each child prior to the first day of school.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2026-2027 DISTRICT CALENDAR

Dates are subject to change. Please refer to the school websites for most current information throughout the year.

August 24	District - First Day of School Elementary: Half Day Secondary Grades 7 & 9: Full Day Secondary Grades 8, 10-12: Half Day (In Session PM Only)
September 4-7	District - Labor Day Weekend, No School
September 28	Elementary (K-6) PD Day, No School
October 23	Secondary (7-12) Half Day, (In Session AM Only)
November 3	District - Election Day, No School
November 25 - 27	District - Thanksgiving Break, No School
December 4	Elementary (K-6) Records Day, Half Day (In Session AM Only)
December 11	Elementary (K-6) PD Day, No School
December 21 - January 1	District - Holiday Break, No School
January 13 - 14	Secondary (7-12) Half Days (In Session AM Only)
January 15	Secondary (7-12) Records Day, No School
January 18	District - MLK Day, No School
February 1	Secondary (7-12) PD Day, No School
February 15 - 16	District - President's Day/Mid- Winter Break, No School
March 5	Elementary (K-6) Records Day, Half Day (In Session AM Only)
March 8	Elementary (K-6) PD Day, No School
March 26 - April 2	District - Spring Break, No School
April 9	Secondary (7-12) Records Day, Half Day (In Session AM Only)
April 22	Secondary (7-12) PD Day, No School
May 19	District - PD Day, No School
May 31	District - Memorial Day, No School
June 3 - 4	District - Last Days of School, Half Days (In Session AM Only)

ELEMENTARY OPEN HOUSES

See websites for times and future updates

Early Childhood

Childcare/Preschool	Wed. Aug. 19
ECP/ECS/EARLY ON & GSRP	Tue. Aug. 25

Lower Elementary

Buchanan	Mon. Aug. 24
Cleveland	Tue. Sept. 1
Coolidge	Tue. Sept. 1
Grant	Tue. Sept. 1
Hayes	Tue. Sept. 1
Hoover	Thu. Aug. 27
Kennedy	Tue. Aug. 25
Niji-Iro	Oct. TBD - Construction
Randolph	Wed. Aug. 26
Roosevelt	Tue. Aug. 25
Rosedale	Wed. Aug. 26
Webster	Oct. TBD - Construction

Upper Elementary

Cooper	Thu. Sept. 17
Johnson	Thu. Sept. 17
Riley	Tue. Aug. 25

SECONDARY OPEN HOUSES

See websites for times and future updates

Middle School

Emerson	Wed. Sept. 2
Frost	Thu. Aug. 27
Holmes	Sept. 1

High School

Churchill	Wed. Sept. 9
Franklin	Thu. Sept. 10
Stevenson	Tue. Sept. 8
LCTC	Wed. Sept. 2
WWSC	Thur. Sept. 24
LTP	Wed. Sept. 16

Welcome Walks

All High Schools & Middle Schools	Thu. Aug. 20, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
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BACK TO SCHOOL SCHEDULE INFORMATION

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (GRADES K-6)

Class assignments will be available on ParentConnect on August 20th. ParentConnect information can be found at www.livoniapublicschools.org/parentconnect.

Monday, August 24 - Half Day

Students attend in morning only.
Transportation and breakfast program begin on Aug. 24.

Tuesday, August 25 - Full Day

Regular full day schedule begins.
Lunch program begins on Aug. 25.

WEBSTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (GRADES 1-6)

Elementary class assignments for ACAT students will be available on August 20th on ParentConnect.

Monday, August 24 - Half Day

All Webster students attend in morning only.
Transportation and breakfast program begin on Aug. 24.

Tuesday, August 25 - Full Day

Regular full day schedule begins.
Lunch program begins on Aug. 25.

NIJI-IRO JAPANESE IMMERSION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, August 24 - Half Day

Students attend in morning only.

Tuesday, August 25 - Full Day

Regular full day schedule begins.
Lunch program begins on Aug. 25.

CENTER PROGRAM STUDENTS

Bus assignments for students being transported to the center programs within or outside of the district will be listed in ParentConnect the week of August 17th.

MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 7-8)

Schedules will be available on ParentConnect the week of August 17th. ParentConnect information can be found at www.livoniapublicschools.org/parentconnect.

Monday, August 24

Grade 7: Full day
Grade 8: Delayed start

Times will be communicated to families by the school. Breakfast program begins Aug. 24. Transportation and lunch programs begin on Aug. 24.

Tuesday, August 25 - Full Day

Regular full day schedule begins.

HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 9-12)

Schedules will be available on ParentConnect the week of August 17th. ParentConnect information can be found at www.livoniapublicschools.org/parentconnect.

Monday, August 24

Grade 9: Full Day
Grades 10-12: Delayed start

Times will be communicated to families by the school. Breakfast program begins Aug. 24. Transportation and lunch programs begin on Aug. 24.

Tuesday, August 25

Regular full day schedule begins.

SECONDARY PROGRAMS FOR ACADEMICALLY TALENTED STUDENTS

MACAT (housed at Frost Middle School)

The Middle School Alternative Classrooms for the Academically Talented (MACAT) Program is the District's middle school program designed for students of high ability and high achievement in all academic areas. The MACAT curriculum consists of classes in language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. The current process for entering MACAT begins with the grade level testing that every LPS 6th grade student participates in. Based on the results of these tests, letters are sent to parents and guardians to inform them of the opportunity to have their student considered for the MACAT Program for 7th grade. A selection committee comprised of teachers and administrators then selects the MACAT students from the students who have returned the nomination materials.

Please email macat@livoniapublicschools.org with questions.

MSC (Housed at Churchill High School)

The Livonia Public Schools Math/Science/Computer (MSC) Program provides a concentration in math/science/computer science to students in grades 9-12 who have a high level of achievement and interest in the areas of math and science. MSC students split their day between regular study and MSC classes.

Students who will have completed Algebra 1 by the end of 8th grade are eligible to apply for the MSC Program for 9th grade. MSC students become full-time Churchill High School students. Transportation to Churchill is provided for MSC students who live in the Franklin and Stevenson attendance areas. Parents of LPS students who fit the Algebra eligibility guideline will be notified the week of October 19, 2026 of the opportunity for the student to apply to the MSC Program for the fall of 2027.

Applications for all students are due by Thursday, November 12, 2026. Testing for fall 2027 admission to the MSC Program is currently scheduled for Saturday, December 5, 2026.

The MSC Program is open to LPS students only. Students in eighth grade residing within the district but not currently enrolled in LPS should contact msc@livoniapublicschools.org for more information.

For More Information

More information about the MACAT and MSC programs can be found at www.livoniapublicschools.org/academically-talented. The MSC website will be updated by mid-August with all relevant information.

PUBLIC NOTICES

ADA Accessibility

Livonia Public Schools, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), is committed to ensuring that communication with individuals with disabilities are as effective as communications with others and will furnish appropriate aids and services where necessary to meet this commitment. Persons desiring further information are to contact the Director of Student Services at 734-744-2524.

AHERA Update

LPS, as required by the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) conducts ongoing surveillance and re-inspection programs for asbestos. LPS has an ongoing operations and maintenance program to address the asbestos in the buildings owned and operated by the district. Visit livoniapublicschools.org/publicnotices for the annual update and information.

Child Find (Student Evaluations)

If your child is between birth and age five and you suspect that they may have a special need or developmental delay, please call 1-800-EARLYON (for birth to age three) or 734-744-2765. If your child lives within LPS boundaries in grades pre-K to 12th grade and you suspect a special need or disability, or you are an adult who may need accommodations or services as an individual with a disability, please contact the administrator at your child's school or the Student Services Department at 734-744-2524.

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

FERPA is a federal law that affords parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. They include the right to: inspect and review records; request an amendment to records; consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information in student's records (except in instances where disclosure without consent is allowed); file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the school district to comply with the requirements of FERPA. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are "eligible students." See full policy at livoniapublicschools.org/publicnotices.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) offers anyone the right to request access to public documents or information. Within LPS, requests can be made to the Human Resources Department. For more information, visit livoniapublicschools.org/publicnotices.

Integrated Pest Management

Occasionally, Livonia Public Schools may apply pesticides to our schools, school grounds, and athletic areas. As parents and guardians, you have the right to be notified prior to such applications. If you wish to be notified via first class mail or e-mail, please contact Harry Lau at hlu@livoniapublicschools.org or 734-744-2511.

A posting of pesticides used inside or outside of any LPS building will be placed in advance at the entrance of the building, and on the Livonia Public Schools website. In an emergency situation, LPS may make an application without prior notification to parents or guardians; however,

parents/guardians will be notified of the application after it occurs. Further information regarding pesticides can be obtained by contacting The National Pesticide Information Center at 800-858-7378.

Immunization Requirements

Immunizations are one of the most effective and scientifically proven measures to protect children from harmful diseases and death. Since 1978, Michigan law has required that each student have an up-to-date certificate of immunization at the time of registration (or no later than the first day of school) for entry into kindergarten and 7th grade, and for enrollment into a new school district, grades 1-12. Michigan schools are required to report immunization information regardless of their mode of instruction. Any student who fails to meet the immunization requirements shall not be admitted or participate in school classes.

Lost or Stolen Property

Livonia Public Schools and its staff members are not liable for damage to or loss of personal property of students. It is suggested that items brought to school by your child and deemed by you to have substantial value be insured separately on your homeowner's policy.

McKinney Vento Act

Livonia Public Schools follows federal mandates for the McKinney Vento Act by enrolling any homeless children who lack a regular and adequate night-time residence. Homeless children are placed according to their best interests, and have the same rights as resident students. If you are aware of children in this circumstance, please call 734-744-2535.

Nondiscrimination Policy

It is the policy of the Board of Education that Livonia Public Schools School District will not discriminate against any person on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, religion, height, weight, marital status, handicap, disability, sexual orientation, sexual identity, or transgender status. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries and grievances for: race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, height, weight, and marital status - Director of Human Resources, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48154 at (734) 744-2566. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries and grievances for: handicap or disability - Director of Student Services, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48154 at (734) 744-2524.

Personal Curriculum

A personal curriculum (PC) is a process to modify specific Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC) high school credit requirements and/or content expectations based on the individual learning needs of a student. It is designed to serve students who want to accelerate or go beyond the MMC requirements and students who need to individualize learning requirements to meet the MMC requirements.

A PC may be requested by the parent or guardian of a student for whom the curriculum is sought, or by a student of majority age or emancipated minor status. For more information, visit livoniapublicschools.org/publicnotices.

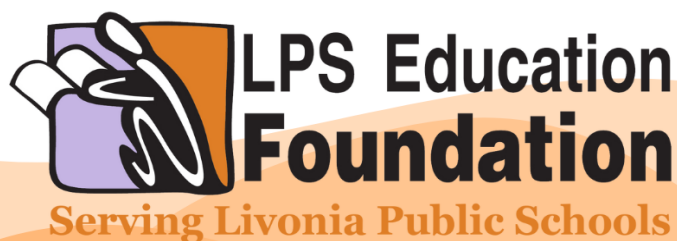
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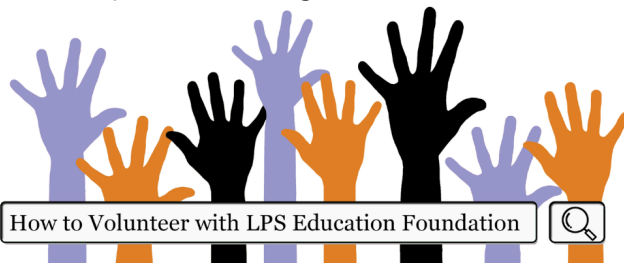
The mission of the LPS Education Foundation is to enlarge the resources available to the school district, which will foster and expand educational opportunities for programs impacting students by building effective collaborations.

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- VSC, Inc.



Classroom grants are one of the premier initiatives of the LPS Education Foundation, providing "the extras" for our students and staff! For more information, please visit www.lpsfoundation.org.



How to Volunteer with LPS Education Foundation

If you love our mission and the work we do inspires you, join one of our committees! We'd love to have you as part of our team of wonderful volunteers! Please scan the QR code or use the link below to fill out this short form.

<https://bit.ly/LPSEFVolunteer>



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