



The Madison Messenger

“Success is not a matter of chance, but of choice”

SEPTEMBER 2019 • BACK-TO-SCHOOL ISSUE

Interim Superintendent's Message

I would like to update you on two very important events taking place in the district. The district has initiated a search for a new superintendent to replace Mr. Davis who left to accept a position as Principal at Staley Elementary School in Rome. Jackie Starks, the District Superintendent at Madison-Oneida BOCES, is assisting the Board of Education with the search.

Focus groups were formed consisting of teachers, community, administrators, and support staff to discuss the characteristics of the new superintendent. Questions will be constructed around these characteristics to be asked during the interview process conducted by Jackie Starks and the Board of Education.

Jackie Starks and the Board of Education will be screening applicants and checking references as the interview process gets underway. It is anticipated that the superintendent will be hired and begin in the district around the beginning of February.

The second change we anticipate at the time of this article is a change in our bus pick-up, bus dismissal and parent pick-up protocol. Buses will enter and depart from the front of the building near elementary and flagpole entrances. This is a change from the bus protocol at the Main Entrance. There will also be a change in our Parent Pick Up procedures. Parents picking up students at the end of the day will be asked to sign their children out in the Cafeteria. Parents should use the Cafeteria entrance near the Main Office and exit from Madison Lake Rd.

In summary, this is the reverse of the old protocol we utilized in the past. We are implementing this procedure to insure the safety of our students and to alleviate the back-up of vehicles on Route 20.

These are very exciting times in Madison. I'm very honored to be a part of the transition period as your Interim Superintendent.

Steve Szatko

Steve Szatko, Interim Superintendent of Schools

A MESSAGE FROM THE BUILDING PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Students:

Welcome back everyone! I know our summer seemed very short this year, but I hope you have had a chance to enjoy what we've been given... it won't be long and we will be shoveling snow again!

This year we have made changes in our bell schedule and our pick-up and drop-off procedures. Please pay close attention to the new bell schedule. Students need to arrive to school by 8:00 a.m. for an 8:05 a.m. start time.

Parent pick-up and drop-off has changed to the main entrance area. Buses will be loading and unloading at the elementary entrance – no personal vehicles will be allowed to drop students off at the flagpole/el-

ementary entrance areas. Students brought in by parents/guardians will unload at the main entrance. In an effort to put in another layer of safety for our students, at dismissal students in grades Pre K-5 must be signed out by their parent/guardian at the cafeteria. Parents of students in grades 6-8 have to give authorization for their son/daughter to leave at dismissal without being signed out. Please utilize the parking lot spaces in the main entrance area to park your vehicle when coming into the building to pick up your son/daughter.

You are cordially invited to our Open House on Sept. 10th to meet our staff. Open house begins at 6:00 pm and ends at 7:30 pm. I would encourage you to communicate often and ask questions about your son/daughter's

progress. I would also encourage parents of our high school students to contact our Guidance Office for assistance and advisement with navigating through our dual-credit programming we offer. This can be a huge advantage when students graduate MCS and move on to college!

I look forward to working with you and your son/daughter to make this a successful year both academically and socially here at M.C.S. If you are in need of any forms or have any questions, please feel free to call me. Once again welcome back to a new school year!

Sincerely,

Larry H. Nichols

Larry H. Nichols, Building Principal

For your convenience, Snap this QSR Code with your Smartphone to be directed to the Madison Central School Website. You can download a code reader from your Smart phone app store.



From MCS Elementary...

Dear Madison Community,

Thursday, September 5, 2019 is coming fast!

I would like to welcome back all of our students and families to another exciting school year. With any new beginning there are some changes that will come along with it.

- Interim Superintendent, Mr. Steve Szatko
- Busing and parent pick-up/drop-off location will be shifted.
- New digital sign will inform the community

Along with those changes, areas of continued focus this summer have been on balanced literacy, mathematics, and social-emotional curriculum.

- K-5 teachers attended professional development with MOBOCES Math specialist, Jody Popple and Literacy consultant, Olivia Wahl.
- We continue to update our Elementary Handbook for Parents and Students.

Please look for this coming home on the first day of school.

Please mark your calendars with the following important dates: _____

- ✓ First Day of School – Wednesday, September 5th, 2019, 8:05 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- ✓ Breakfast begins at 7:40 a.m. and students may enter their classrooms at 8:05 a.m.
- ✓ Open House - Tuesday, September 10th, 2019 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Finally, we will have Mrs. Amanda Goodenough as a long term substitute in Kindergarten through February, 2020. Mrs. Goodenough was a LTS in 5th grade during 2018-19.

If I can answer any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me by email at blatella@madisoncentralny.org, or by phone at 893-1878, ext. 265. Have a great day!

With Enthusiasm,

Brian J Latella

Brian J Latella, Elementary Principal
www.madisoncentralny.org

Coming Events

September 3	Superintendent's Conference Day No School for Students	October 14	NO SCHOOL COLUMBUS DAY	November 7	Talent Show • 6:00 p.m.
September 4	Superintendent's Conference Day No School for Students	October 15	Board of Ed. Mtg. • 7:00 p.m.	November 8	PreK-12 Staff Development Students dismissed @11:20 a.m.
September 5	First day of school	October 17	Bloodmobile 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	November 8	Pre-K-5 Parent-Teacher Conferences
September 9-13	Book Fair	October 24	School Picture Retakes	November 11	No School - Veteran's Day
September 10	Elementary Movie Night 3-5 p.m.	October 24	PreK-5 Monster Mash 4-6 p.m.	November 13	PreK-12 Staff Development Students dismissed @11:20 a.m.
September 10	Open House • 6-7:30 p.m.	October 25	Superintendent's Conference Day-No School for students	November 13	Pre-K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences
September 17	Board of Ed. Mtg. • 6:30 p.m.	November 2	Optimist Club Craft Fair	November 19	Board of Ed. Mtg. • 6:30 p.m.
September 19	School Pictures Taken	November 5	Elementary Movie Night 3-5 p.m.	November 27-29	No School Thanksgiving Recess
October 1	Elementary Movie Night 3-5 p.m.	November 7	Veterans Day Breakfast 9:00 a.m.		
October 12	MCS vs SVCS Soccer Games at MATC 6/8 p.m.				

BOOK FAIR

This year's Book Fair will be held from September 9th-13th during school hours. On September 10th the Book Fair will be open during school hours until 8:00 p.m.

If any parent is willing to work the book fair during school hours or during open house, please contact *Amber Neiss* at 893-1878 ext.222 and leave her a message or email her at aneiss@madisoncentralny.org

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Absences: Any time your child is absent from school or missing part of the school day for an appointment we are REQUIRED by the State Education Department to have a written excuse on file. This is extremely important. Please send a note in with your child when he/she returns to school after any absence whether it be illness or an appointment.

Transportation: If your child is dropped off at a location other than your home, please send in a note each year, even if it is the same drop off as the previous year. One note for the year is sufficient if this is your child's daily routine. Changes in your child's transportation via telephone will not be honored after 2:00 pm each day.

FREE/REDUCED PRICED MEAL APPLICATIONS

Enclosed in this newsletter is an application and guidelines for the 2019-20 Free/Reduced Priced Meal Program. Please complete this application, whether or not you feel you are eligible, and return it to school by Monday, September 9, 2019. Please refer to our website or your child's student handbook for our School Food Service Program and Meal Charge Policy.

Please remember that a great deal of grant funding is based on the number of families

eligible to receive free or reduced priced meals in each school district. All information on the application is totally confidential. The SNAP lunch card system makes it impossible to distinguish any child receiving a free or reduced lunch from any other.

School Bucks

This program is available to all parents who would like to pay for meals for their child and also to keep track of your child's meal account. Please refer to the "My School Bucks" link on the front page of our website.

SCHOOL LUNCH PRICES

There has been a slight increase in the cost of a school lunch for the 2019-20 school year. For grades K-5 lunch will cost \$1.95 and for grades 6-12 the cost will be \$2.20.

Free & Reduced Meals

Letter to Parents for School Meal Programs

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. Madison CSD offers healthy meals every school day. **For grades K-5 lunch will cost \$1.95 and for grades 6-12 the cost will be \$2.20.** Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. Use one *Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application* for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to:

Madison Central School • 7303 State Route 20 • Madison, NY 13402

Who can get free meals? All children in households receiving benefits from SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations or TANF, can get free meals regardless of your income. Categorical eligibility for free meal benefits is extended to all children in a household when the application lists an Assistance Program's case number for any household member. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Households with children who are categorically eligible through an Other Source Categorically Eligible designation, as defined by law, may be eligible for free benefits and should contact the SFA for assistance in receiving benefits.

Can foster children get free meals? Yes, foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income. Foster children may also be included as a member of the foster family if the foster family chooses to also apply for benefits for other children. Including children in foster care as household members may help other children in the household qualify for benefits. If non-foster children in a foster family are not eligible for free or reduced price meal benefits, an eligible foster child will still receive free benefits.

Can homeless, runaway, and migrant children get free meals? Yes, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail *Jeanine Anderalli* at janderalli@m-ecs.org or 315-684-9196 to see if they qualify.

Who can get reduced price meals? Your children may be approved as reduced price eligible if your household income is within the reduced-price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown on this letter. Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

Should I fill out an application if I received a letter this school year saying my children are approved for free meals? Please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at 315-684-9158 if you have questions.

My child's application was approved last year. Do I need to fill out another application? Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for up to the first 30 operating days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.

I get WIC. Can my child(ren) get free meals? Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out a *FREE/REDUCED PRICE MEAL* application.

Will the information I give be checked? Yes and we may also ask you to send written proof.

If I don't qualify now, may I apply later? Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.

What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to:

Madison Central School • 7303 State Route 20 • Madison, NY 13402

May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen? Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.

Who should I include as members of my household? You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.

What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.

We are in the military. Do we include our housing allowance as income? If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.

My spouse is deployed to a combat zone. Is combat pay counted as income? No, if the combat pay is received in addition to her basic pay because of her deployment and it wasn't received before she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.

My family needs more help. Are there other programs we might apply for? To find out how to apply for SNAP or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call **1-800-342-3009**.

Nondiscrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture • Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW • Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

Free & Reduced Meals

2019-2020 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FREE & REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK

REDUCED PRICE ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART

Total Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every 2 Weeks	Weekly
1	\$ 23,107	\$ 1,926	\$ 963	\$ 889	\$ 445
2	\$ 31,284	\$ 2,607	\$ 1,304	\$ 1,204	\$ 602
3	\$ 39,461	\$ 3,289	\$ 1,645	\$ 1,518	\$ 759
4	\$ 47,638	\$ 3,970	\$ 1,985	\$ 1,833	\$ 917
5	\$ 55,815	\$ 4,652	\$ 2,326	\$ 2,147	\$ 1,074
6	\$ 63,992	\$ 5,333	\$ 2,667	\$ 2,462	\$ 1,231
7	\$ 72,169	\$ 6,015	\$ 3,008	\$ 2,776	\$ 1,388
8	\$ 80,346	\$ 6,696	\$ 3,348	\$ 3,091	\$ 1,546
* Each Add'l person add	\$ 8,177	\$ 682	\$ 341	\$ 315	\$ 158

How to Apply: To get free or reduced price meals for your children carefully complete one application following the instructions for your household and return it to the designated office listed on the application. If you now receive SNAP, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) for any children or participate in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), the application must include the children's names, the household SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number and the signature of an adult household member. All children should be listed on the same application. If you do not list a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number for any household member, the application must include the names of everyone in the household, the amount of income each household member, and how often it is received and where it comes from. It must include the signature of an adult household member and the last four digits of that adult's social security number, or check the box if the adult does not have a social security number. An application for free and reduced price benefits cannot be approved unless complete eligibility information is submitted, as indicated on the application and in the instructions. Contact your local Department of Social Services for your SNAP or TANF case number or complete the income portion of the application. No application is necessary if the household was notified by the SFA their children have been directly certified. If the household is not sure if their children have been directly certified, the household should contact the school.

Reporting Changes: The benefits that you are approved for at the time of application are effective for the entire school year and up to 30 operating days into the new school year (or until a new eligibility determination is made, whichever comes first). You no longer need to report changes for an increase in income or decrease in household size, or if you no longer receive SNAP.

Income Exclusions: The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

Reduced Price Eligible Students: Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age or disability

Meal Service to Children With Disabilities: Federal regulations require schools and institutions to serve meals at no extra charge to children with a disability which may restrict their diet. A student with a disability is defined in 7CFR Part 15b.3 of Federal regulations, as one who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities of such individual, a record of such an impairment or being regarded as having such an impairment. Major life ac-

tivities include but are not limited to: functions such as caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, seeing, hearing, eating, sleeping, walking, standing, lifting, bending, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, and working. You must request meal modifications from the school and provide the school with medical statement from a State licensed healthcare professional. If you believe your child needs substitutions because of a disability, please get in touch with us for further information, as there is specific information that the medical statement must contain.

Confidentiality: The United States Department of Agriculture has approved the release of students names and eligibility status, without parent/guardian consent, to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of federal education programs such as Title I and the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), which are United States Department of Education programs used to determine areas such as the allocation of funds to schools, to evaluate socioeconomic status of the school's attendance area, and to assess educational progress. Information may also be released to State health or State education programs administered by the State agency or local education agency, provided the State or local education agency administers the program, and federal State or local nutrition programs similar to the National School Lunch Program. Additionally, all information contained in the free and reduced price application may be released to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of programs authorized under the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) or Child Nutrition Act (CNA); including the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, the Special Milk Program, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infants and Children (WIC); the Comptroller General of the United States for audit purposes, and federal, State or local law enforcement officials investigating alleged violation of the programs under the NSLA or CNA.

Reapplication: You may apply for benefits any time during the school year. Also, if you are not eligible now, but during the school year become unemployed, have a decrease in household income, or an increase in family size you may request and complete an application at that time.

The disclosure of eligibility information not specifically authorized by the NSLA requires a written consent statement from the parent/guardian. We will let you know when your application is approved or denied.

2019-2020 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals/Milk

To apply for free and reduced price meals for your children, read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and **return it to the address listed below**. Call **315-893-1878** if you need help. Additional names may be listed on a separate paper.

Return Completed Applications to:

Madison Central School
7303 State Route 20
Madison, NY 13402

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	Homeless Migrant, Runaway
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. **Skip to Part 4, and sign the application.**

Name: _____ CASE #: _____

3. Report all income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered 'yes' to step 2)

All Household Members (including yourself and all children that have income).

List all Household members not listed in Step 1 (including yourself) **even if they do not receive income**. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total income for each source in whole dollars only. If they do not receive income from any other source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of household member	Earnings from work before deductions <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Child Support, Alimony <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Pensions, Retirement Payments <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Other Income, Social Security <i>Amount / How Often</i>	No Income
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

Total Household Members (Children and Adults)

*Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: XXX-XX- ____ - ____

I do not have a SS#

*When completing section 3, an adult household member must provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#), or mark the "I do not have a SS# box" before the application can be approved.

4. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application before it can be approved.

I certify (promise) that all the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school will get federal funds; the school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Address: _____

5. Ethnicity and Race are optional; responding to this section does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (Check one or more): American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Island White

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE – FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Annual Income Conversion (Only convert when multiple income frequencies are reported on application)
Weekly X 52; Every Two Weeks (bi-weekly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24; Monthly X 12

SNAP/TANF/Foster

Income Household: Total Household Income/How Often: _____ / _____ Household Size: _____

Free Meals Reduced Price Meals Denied/Paid

Signature of Reviewing Official _____ Date Notice Sent: _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, complete only one application for your household using the instructions below. Sign the application and return the application to: **Madison Central School • 7303 State Route 20 • Madison, NY 13402.**

If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is not needed.

Call the school if you need help: **315-893-1878**. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

PART 1 ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION. DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.

- (1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
- (2) List their grade and school.
- (3) Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, or if you believe any child meets the description for homeless, migrant, runaway (a school staff will confirm this eligibility).

PART 2 HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.

- (1) List a current SNAP, TANF or FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
- (2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4. SKIP PART 3. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP case number, TANF or FDPIR number.

PART 3 ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 4.

- (1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
- (2) Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. **Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box.** The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At Risk Child Care Programs should **not** be considered as income for this program.
- (3) Enter the total number of household members in the box provided. This number should include all adults and children in the household and should reflect the members listed in PART 1 and PART 3.
- (4) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs **PART 4** if Part 3 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. **If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR number, a social security number is not needed.**
- (5) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4.

OTHER BENEFITS: Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). To determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

USE OF INFORMATION STATEMENT

Use of Information Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not submit all needed information, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the primary wage earner or other adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs.

We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the [USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

MARKING PERIOD DATES

Five week progress reports will be issued on the following dates:

10/18/19 • 12/27/19 • 3/20/20 • 5/22/20

Report cards will be issued on:

11/15/19 • 2/7/20 • 4/24/20 • 6/26/20

2019-20 STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND CONFERENCE DATES

September 3	Superintendent's Conference Day No school for students
September 4	Superintendent's Conference Day No school for students
October 25	Superintendent's Conference Day No school for students
November 8	PreK-12 Staff Development Students dismissed @ 11:20 a.m.
November 13	PreK-12 Staff Development Students dismissed @ 11:20 a.m.
December 5	PreK-12 Staff Development Students dismissed @ 11:20 a.m.
February 7	PreK-12 Staff Development Students dismissed @ 11:20 a.m.
March 20	Superintendent's Conference Day No school for students
May 8	PreK-12 Staff Development Students dismissed @ 11:20 a.m.
June 19	PreK-12 Staff Development Students dismissed @ 11:20 a.m.
June 25	PreK-12 Staff Development Students dismissed @ 11:20 a.m.

New Faces at MCS

We would like to welcome some new staff members to the MCS family.

Interim Superintendent	Steve Szatko
Head Bus Driver	Jeff Pieters
Long Term Subs	Amanda Goodenough- Kindergarten Ann-Marie Heiner - High School Math
Cleaner	Tyler Marris

PLEASE KEEP US INFORMED

In order to effectively communicate with parents/guardians, it is important that you notify the school whenever there is a parent/guardian name change, child name change, address or phone number change so that we have the most up-to-date information, including names and numbers of other individuals for emergency contact purposes. We also welcome current e-mail addresses to foster communication between home and school.

SPORTS SCHEDULES

SPORTS SCHEDULES CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE:

www.madisoncentralny.org

With game dates subject to change because of the weather etc., this will ensure the most up-to-date information.

BELL SCHEDULE

PERIOD	START TIME	END TIME
Breakfast	7:55	8:05
Period 1	8:05	8:45
Period 2	8:48	9:28
Period 3	9:31	10:11
Period 4	10:14	10:54
Lunch 9-12	10:54	11:24
Period 5 MS (6-8)	10:57	11:37
Period 5 HS (9-12)	11:26	12:06
Lunch 6-8	11:37	12:07
Period 6	12:09	12:49
Period 7	12:52	1:32
Period 8	1:35	2:15
Period 9	2:18	2:58

PESTICIDE NOTICE

The Madison Central School District uses Integrated Pest Management practices to reduce the use of pesticides in the buildings and on the grounds. It may be necessary, however, to use pesticides periodically during the 2019-20 school year. New York State law requires that schools maintain a list of staff and parents who wish to receive written notice forty-eight (48) hours prior to a pesticide application at their school facility if the school building will be occupied within seventy-two (72) hours of an application. If you wish to be included on this notification list or would like further information on the district's pesticides program, please contact: *Ms. Melanie Brouillette, District Treasurer at 893-1878, extension 209.*



Help for the Homeless

Are you or is someone you know homeless? If so, you have rights and protections under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act. For more information, please contact: *Larry Nichols (893-1878 ext.204)*

SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

893-1878 • 893-1879

District Office	Ext. 201
Secondary Office	Ext. 202
Elementary Office	Ext. 207
Guidance	Ext. 206
CSE Office	Ext. 207
Nurse's Office	Ext. 214
Bus Garage	Ext. 215





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CANCELLATIONS, DELAYS, EARLY DISMISSALS

All cancellations, delays, and early dismissals are announced on the following radio and TV stations and can also be found on our website

www.madisoncentralny.org

WSYR • WMCR • WUUU • WFRG • WSTM-TV • WHEN
WRUN • WUTR • WTVH-TV • NEWS 10 • WIXT-TV • WKTV

Broadcasts of school closings and/or delays begin with the 5:30 or 6:00 a.m. news. Please utilize these means of communication, leaving the school phones open for emergencies. Thank you.

** WKTV has text notification. This would be helpful in times when there are power outages. Check WKTV's website for more information.*

You may also receive a "Blackboard" call with this information. If you do not receive this call and would like to, please contact:
Linda Wood at 893-1878 ext. 201.

BOARD REORGANIZES

The Board of Education held its reorganizational meeting on July 9, 2019.

Jennifer Lavoie was elected President and **Michael Filipovich** was elected Vice President.

The other 2019-20 Board Members are:

- Mrs. Jessica Clark
- Ms. Stephanie Clark
- Mrs. Brittany Rizzo
- Mr. Jona Snyder
- Mr. Steve Yancey

The regular meetings for the 2019-20 school year will be held on the following dates at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

- September 17
- October 15
- November 19
- December 17
- January 21
- February 11
- March 17
- April 21
- May 19 (7:30)
- June 16

In addition to regular monthly meetings, the board will hold budget workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the following dates:

- March 3 – Budget Workshop
- April 14 Budget Workshop
- May 5 Budget Hearing
- May 19 Budget Vote – Noon-8:00 p.m.
- June 2 Workshop

Student Days 185

Created 1/16/19
Revised 3/20/19

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Classes start on—Sept. 5
Classes end on—June 26
Supt. Conf. Days (blue)
Half Day (red)
Vacation Days – pink boxed
Regents Test Days – **bold yellow**
Testing Dates—Orange

Sept. 3&4 Full Day Supt. Conf.	Dec. 23-Jan 3 Winter Recess	Apr 21-23 Grades 3-8 Math Testing
Sept. 5 First Day of School	Jan. 20 M.L.King Jr. Day	May 8 Half Day Supt. Conf.
Oct. 14 Columbus Day	Jan. 21-24 Regents Days	May 22 & 25 Memorial Day
Oct. 25 Supt. Conf.	Feb. 7 Half Day Supt. Conf.	June 3 Grade 4 & 8 Science Testing
Nov. 8 Half Day Supt. Conf.	Feb. 17-21 Mid Winter Recess	June 17-26 Regents Days
Nov. 11 Veteran's Day	Mar. 20 Full Day Supt. Conf.	June 19 & 25 Half Days of School
Nov. 13 Half Day Supt. Conf.	Mar 25-27 Grade 3-8 ELA Testing	June 26 Rating Day
Nov 27-29 Thanksgiving Recess	Apr. 6-13 Spring Recess	June 26 Commencement
Dec. 5 Half Day Supt. Conf.		

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