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Minooka Primary Center

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Our Mission at Minooka Primary Center is to provide a welcoming and safe environment focused on developing an educational and social foundation for early student learners.



<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
					1 Spring Break	2
3	4 Book Fair -----> School Resumes from Spring Break	5 ----->	6 ----->	7 ----->	8 ----->	9
10	11	12 Practice Fire Drill Day	13	14	15 No School	16
17	18 Teacher Institute-No School	19	20	21	22 No School- MPC Only	23
24	25	26	27	28 Firefighter Cindy; Bike Safety	29	30

Home School Connection: Together We Can Help Our Students

MPC Parent Resources:

[A-Z Tip Sheets: Early Learning Project](#)

[Managing Tantrum Behaviors At Home](#)

[Transitioning from Non-Preferred to Preferred Activities](#)



Kindergarten Readiness Tips:

Play Games Together

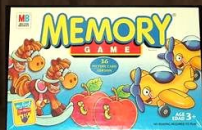
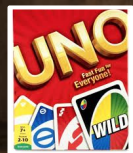
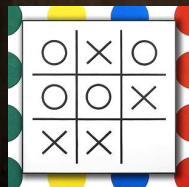
Are you going on a car trip this spring break? Consider using that time to reinforce early learning skills taught at school through car game! Here are a few to get you started, have fun finding letters, creating rhymes, and identifying numbers all while driving to your vacation destination!

<https://www.readbrihtly.com/delightfully-distracted-18-great-learning-games-car-trips/>

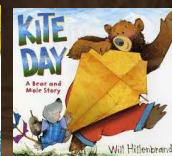
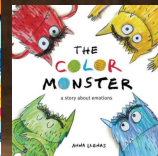
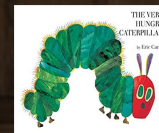
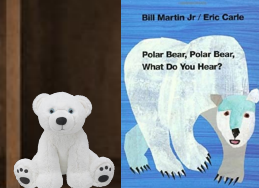
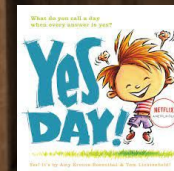
Also use the next slide for interactive games and books!

April is Children's Month, have some fun together!





READ





Free Mental Health Resources At Your Fingertips

Free Telephone Counseling Lines

211 Connection Service

Optum Emotional Support Line

CDC: Managing Anxiety and Stress

Free Grief Counseling

Thankful For Our Staff

If you would like to nominate an MPC Staff member for a Staff Celebration
please visit this link:

<https://mpc.min201.org/about/staff-celebrations>



Nurse's Corner



Reminders:

- If your child has any illness symptoms at all, please keep them home and call 815-467-3167 to report the absence
- If you or anyone else in your household is not feeling well, keep all of your children home
- If you have any health related questions please contact our Nurse Amy apelnarsh@min201.org
- The nurse will be conducting Hearing and Vision screenings for all students at MPC between now and the end of the school year.

Birth to 3 Year Old Screenings



Early Intervention

Early Intervention is a statewide program that provides supports and services for families to help children less than 36-months old meet developmental milestones.

Child & Family Connections (CFC #15) Can Service families who live in Will, Grundy, Kankakee, or LaSalle Counties.

How Do I Get Started?

- 1 Call our referral coordinator at 815-768-3730.
- 2 You will meet with a service coordinator to talk about your concerns about your child. You will then meet with service providers to help **evaluate** your child's development and to determine whether your child is eligible for early intervention supports and services.
- 3 If your child is eligible, you will work with your team to develop a **plan** for supports and services. These will be provided at a convenient time for your family and in familiar places where your child learns and plays, such as your home, childcare center, the park, or the library.

If you are interested in a birth-3 screening, they can be conducted via phone, for more information or to complete screening call 815-768-3813.

EASTER SEALS BIRTH TO 3-YEARS OLD VIRTUAL SCREENINGS

Please contact Erica Schramm, GCSEC Program Coordinator, at eschramm@grundyspeciald.org or 815.942.5780 for the birth to 3-years old sign-up link.

MPC Early Learning Screenings

In August we will have additional early learning screenings for families interested in having their children attend MPC. All 3-5 year old children can be screened for preschool! Your child does not need to have any special needs to attend MPC we have general education programs for our community. Additional screenings will be posted on this [website](#) in July of 2022. If you have any questions please call 815-467-3167 to talk to our building secretaries! We are currently building our 22-23 rosters with the students screened this school year!

Current MPC Parent Tips:

1. Current students at MPC that are not moving on to kindergarten can return next year by simply registering for school again in June 2022.
2. Students moving on to kindergarten must turn 5 on or before September 1st, 2022.

Technology issues?

Our amazing technology team has updated their parent tutorial webpage with the most popular applications that the district uses.

Please check this website for help:

[Technology Help Link](#)

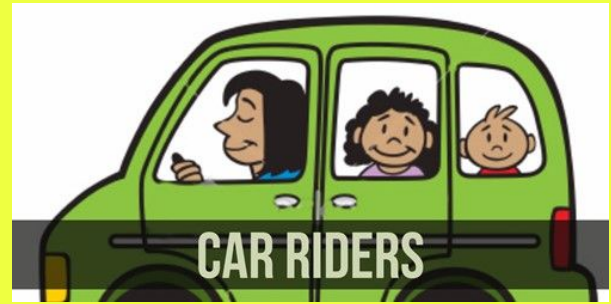
If you have any further issues or have a broken chromebook please email: pshelp@min201.org

MPC Car Rider Reminders

Friendly Car Rider Reminders:

- Do not block neighborhood driveways
- Pull ALL the way up to the car in front of you to maximize space
- Follow the traffic map
- Do not get your child out of the car until staff is on the sidewalks ready to receive them
- Keep your car rider sign in your windshield until you have your child loaded
- Children should stay buckled until you have put the car in park
- Parents should meet the staff at the curb for both arrival and departure

Now is a good, if you haven't started, to have your kindergarten bound kiddo practice independently buckling and unbuckling!



MPC Spirit Wear Ordering

*Orders will be delivered to your home.
This order form remains live:*

<https://1stplace.sale/33288>

