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# YOUNG VIKINGS

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## REMINDER!

MONDAY, JANUARY 18 IS A FULL DAY OF SCHOOL!!

AND SO IS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12!!



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### Ski Club Cards

Bittersweet Ski Club cards are still available for the 2020-2021 season.

The FINAL deadline to turn in your forms & payment is Thursday, January 14.



### HOPKINS FOOD SERVICE OPENING!

We are looking for a highly motivated person who loves working with food & children. The opening is for the Kitchen Lead at Sycamore Elementary. To apply, go to [www.hpsvikings.org](http://www.hpsvikings.org) & use the APPLITRACK online application process found under District—Job Openings.

If you have any questions regarding the position, contact Barb Elenbaas, Food Service Director at [barbelen@hpsvikings.org](mailto:barbelen@hpsvikings.org)

These are basic tutorials from the tech department for parents, students and teachers. It can be found on the district website under the technology department.

<https://www.hpsvikings.org/technology/basic-tutorials-for-teachers-students-and-guardians/>

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## Free Lunch

### for All

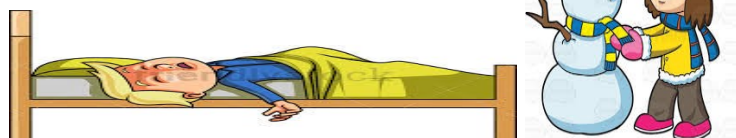


1. All students are now eligible to receive two free meals per day, five days a week from now through June 30, 2021, regardless of income.

Meal request information is available at [www.hpsvikings.org](http://www.hpsvikings.org). The order form is due by noon each Monday.

## MIDWINTER BREAK

Monday, February 15



**CALL OR EMAIL the office with any bus/pickup needs! This is the job of the office. It is confusing when teachers juggle this information.**

The Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, (including sexual orientation or transgender identity), disability, age, religion, height, weight, marital or family status, military status, ancestry, genetic information, or any other legally protected category, (collectively "Protected Classes"), in its programs and activities, including employment opportunities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Superintendent of Schools, Hopkins Public Schools, 400 Clark Street, Hopkins MI 49328 269-793-7261

Upon request to the Superintendent, the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a disabled person to be able to participate in activities.

## COVID-19 Daily Student Screening Guidance:

**Keep your children home from school if you have any of the following Symptoms -**

- Temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher when taken by mouth
- Sore throat
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline)
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever

**Close Contact/Potential Exposure -**

In the past 14 days has your child:

- Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19: **OR**
- Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person under quarantine for possible exposure to COVID-19: **OR**
- Had a travel history

If you have any of the symptoms listed on the left AND have had close contact/potential exposure, call the school as soon as possible to let them know the reason your child(ren) won't be at school. Call your health care provider right away. If you don't have one or cannot be seen, go to [www.mi.gov/coronavirustest](http://www.mi.gov/coronavirustest) or call 2-1-1 to find a location to have your child(ren) tested for COVID-19.

If the answer is **YES** to any of the symptom questions, but **NO** to any close contact/potential exposure questions, your student may return to school based on the guidance for their symptoms (see "Managing Communicable Diseases in Schools"):

- Fever: at least 24 hours have passed with no fever, without the use of fever-reducing medications
- Sore throat: improvement (if strep throat: do not return until at least 2 doses of antibiotic have been taken)
- Cough/Shortness of breath: improvement
- Diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain: no diarrhea or vomiting for 24 hours
- Severe headache: improvement

**DISCLAIMER: This screening tool is subject to change based on the latest information on COVID-19. <https://bit.ly/2CBqGo3>**

## Half Days...

Our half days for the 2020-21 school year are:

\*Thursday, March 4  
\*Friday, March 5  
\*Friday, April 30  
Thurs. & Fri., June 3 & 4

**These are 11:10 dismissals.  
MAKE ARRANGEMENTS  
FOR YOUR CHILD(REN)  
THESE DAYS!!!**

**NOTICE: Jan. 18 &  
Feb. 12 are now full days**

**Proper Clothing Rules:**  
**60 degrees or more...short sleeves**  
**50-59 degrees....long sleeves**  
**Less than 50 degrees....coat**



**Next can drive:**

Monday, January 11  
&  
Tuesday, January 12

Drop off before school in drop off loop

## PICK UP LINE

**Things are moving along nicely  
in the pick up line.**



**Thank you parents! Remember to keep the line tight so cars are  
not hanging out in the road and keep your eye on the car in front  
of you so we can keep 'em rollin'!!!!**

If you get out of your car at pick up at the end of the day, please follow our mandated policy and wear your facemask.

Your cooperation is so very appreciated!!  
Remember, we didn't make the rules!

Remember to collect labels. We take Box Tops, Coke Gives, Dick's Market & Amazon Smile. For more information check out Sycamore H.O.P.E. on facebook.

## Valentine's Day

Sunday, February 14



**Daylight Saving Time Begins:**

While you sleep on Saturday, March 13

**St. Patrick's Day:**

Wednesday, March 17

**Spring Break:**

Sat., April 3-Sun., April 11