

Welcome to
Kindergarten!



Parent/Guardian Handbook

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Welcome to Kindergarten: The ABC's of Kindergarten

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Dear Future Kindergarten Parents/Guardians,

We want to welcome the incoming class of 2034! Kindergarten is a milestone in your child's life and we are pleased that you have chosen The South Orange & Maplewood School District for your child's educational experiences. Kindergarten is not only the beginning of your child's first formal education, it is also the first step toward life-long learning and social participation. We want to partner with you in this lifetime adventure.

New experiences and friends will make the year a special time for you and your child. There are many things that you, as parents/guardians, can do to help your child adjust easily and eagerly to their kindergarten experience. Your child has a natural love of learning. Every first-hand experience that your child has can teach important skills.

We realize that you may have many questions about the kindergarten program. This kindergarten handbook will address some of the questions and concerns that you or your child may have. Please take some time to read through the information.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have additional questions and once your child's school placement is confirmed, contact their school with additional questions. We are looking forward to forming a partnership with you this year and for years to come. Thank you for choosing the South Orange & Maplewood School District!

Sincerely,

South Orange & Maplewood School District



ABOUT OUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Elementary Schools

SOMSD is committed to supporting all children on their journey to success in learning. Our six-elementary schools use the same curriculum and provide an array of related arts classes. We have a strong teaching staff who are life-long learners, willing to take on new challenges in curriculum and instruction. They are dedicated to helping every student in their classroom reach their full potential.

SOMSD has 6 elementary schools serving over 3,400 students:

- ✓ Four elementary schools serve students in kindergarten – 5th Grade: Clinton, Seth Boyden, South Mountain and Tuscan.
- ✓ Two schools are paired together: Marshall in South Orange serves students in Kindergarten – 2nd Grade, and Jefferson in Maplewood serves students in 3rd-5th Grades.

The parent community is actively involved in our schools and helps to sponsor assemblies, special student activities, fundraisers, and parent information meetings.

SOMSD also offers optional after school programming, Beyond the Bell, designed to help all elementary students stretch and grow by offering enrichment classes for a modest fee. Scholarships are available to ensure that all students can participate.

Elementary Choice Options

Note: Elementary school configurations will change as part of the District's long range facilities plan and Intentional Integration Initiative, so families may be reassigned to a different school as their children progress through the District (learn more about SOMSD's III at: <http://somsd-nj.org/somsdiii>)

SOMSD currently provides elementary families with the opportunity to attend their zoned elementary school, or to "opt in" to one other elementary school, if space is available.

- Families zoned for Clinton, Jefferson, Marshall, South Mountain and Tuscan can opt-in to Seth Boyden
- Families zoned for Seth Boyden can opt in to Marshall/Jefferson
- Incoming families may be assigned to a different District school other than their zoned in accordance with long-standing Board policy, if a grade is closed.

More information about elementary schools, including about each of the 6 elementary schools is available on the District's website.



2020-2021 KEY DATES

2020 – 2021 Registration Appointment Dates

Once you have successfully pre-registered your child online (please see page 7) an in-person registration appointment is required to submit documents and complete the registration process. Appointments are scheduled on-line **via the Appointment Scheduler** link. **ONLY** a parent/legal guardian may register a child for school. **The student is not required to be in attendance during the in-person appointment.**

***2020 – 2021 Kindergarten In-Person Registration**

Appointments will take place via zoned school, based upon your address, as scheduled below:

SCHOOL	DATE RANGE	TIME
**Seth Boyden Elementary School	*February 18 – 20, 2020	9am – 4pm
South Mountain Elementary School/Annex	February 24 – 27, 2020	9am – 4pm
Tuscan Elementary School	March 2 – 5, 2020	9am – 4pm
Clinton Elementary School	March 9 – 12, 2020	9am – 4pm
Marshall Elementary School	March 16 – 19, 2020	9am – 4pm
All Zoned Schools - Kindergarten Enrollment	May 11 – May 14, 2020	9am – 1pm

****Only for students ZONED for Seth Boyden Elementary (Tuesday – Thursday)**

Kindergarten Orientation Dates (by School)

SCHOOL	DATE
Marshall Elementary School	Friday, May 29, 2020
Clinton Elementary School	Thursday, June 4, 2020
Tuscan Elementary School	Friday, June 5, 2020
South Mountain Elementary School Elementary/Annex	Friday, June 5, 2020
Seth Boyden Elementary School	Tuesday, June 9, 2020

Please contact schools directly regarding Kindergarten orientation.



SCHOOL HOURS

Full Day Schedule

School	Grades	Start Time	End Time
Clinton Elementary School	K – 5	8:05 am	2:35 pm
Marshall Elementary School	K - 2	8:45 am	3:15 pm
Seth Boyden Elementary	K - 5	8:45 am	3:15 pm
South Mountain Elementary	K, 2-5	8:10am	2:40pm
South Mountain Annex	K - 1	8:00 am	2:30 pm
Tuscan Elementary	K – 5	8:45 am	3:15pm

4-Hour Session

School	Grades	Start Time	End Time
Clinton Elementary School	K – 5	8:05 am	12:05 pm
Marshall Elementary School	K - 2	8:45 am	12:45 pm
Seth Boyden Elementary	K - 5	8:45 am	12:45 pm
South Mountain Elementary	K, 2 - 5		12:10pm
South Mountain Annex	K - 1	8:00 am	12:00 pm
Tuscan Elementary	K – 5	8:45 am	12:45 pm

Delayed Opening Start-Time

School	Grades	Start Time	End Time
Clinton Elementary School	K – 5	10:05 am	2:35 pm
Marshall Elementary School	K - 2	10:45 am	3:15 pm
Seth Boyden Elementary	K - 5	10:45 am	3:15 pm
South Mountain Elementary	K, 2- 5	10:10 am	2:40 pm
South Mountain Annex	K - 1	10:00 am	2:30 pm
Tuscan Elementary	K – 5	10:45 am	3:15pm

Delayed Openings & Emergency Closings

Delayed Opening: All elementary and middle schools will delay opening for two hours, including the Preschool Program. All CHS students and staff should report to school at 10:00 am.

All-Day Closing: Announcements will be made on the following AM radio station – WINS (1010), and the following TV stations: WNBC (Ch. 4), WABC (Ch. 7), WNYW (Ch.5), News12 NJ, and CCN (Ch. 35 in Maplewood, FIOS Channel 22 in Maplewood and Channel 19 in South Orange). A message will be posted on the District webpage: www.somdsd.k12.nj.us

A call, email and SMS text will be made to all District families and staff to announce either a delayed opening or all-day closing. Please make sure your contact information is up to date by completing the online contact forms found in the Power School parent portal (see page 10 in this packet).



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

In order to enroll your child in the South Orange & Maplewood School District Kindergarten program you must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Be domiciled (a resident) in South Orange or Maplewood
- Born on or before October 1, 2015
- Must pre-register on-line (see page 7)
- Schedule an in-person appointment (via appointment scheduler, see page 8) to provide the required documents necessary to complete enrollment (*if homeless please contact the registrar*)

Upon successful submission of the application, an in-person registration appointment is required to submit documents and complete the registration process. Appointments are scheduled on-line **via the Appointment Scheduler** link (see onsite registration appointment dates by zone on page 5). **ONLY** a parent/legal guardian may register a child for school.

Please have the required documents listed on the registration checklist on-hand (*we are unable to print, fax or receive emails of documents*). Failure to have, the required documents with you may result in you being unable to complete your child’s registration and a follow up appointment may be required. The student is not required to be in attendance during the in-person appointment.

Registration Checklist for In-Person Appointment

Please review the Registration Checklist below to ensure that you bring the appropriate documents for your in-person registration. For additional information on document checklist:

<https://www.somds.k12.nj.us/district/registration/regdocuments/2020-2021-registration-documents/>

- All documents must be dated within the last **60 Days**.
- Bills may be a combination of one or both parent’s names (PDF copies of bills are acceptable)

Documents	Acceptable Documents	Notes
For Your Child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Original Birth Certificate (with raised seal) – Immunizations (computerized copy or completed on District's Form) with doctor's signature or stamp – Proof Of Custody (if it applies) – Proof of Identity (Photo ID) 	
Proof of Address	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <u>Homeowners</u>: one of the following (current mortgage statement, current property tax bill or recorded deed) – <u>Renters</u>: Current Lease 	<p> Proof of your attachment to the address is also required in the form of (3) three pieces of current legal mail. You may only use one of each bill/company:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Examples: PSE&G, Waste Management, Verizon, Water, Sewage, Cable, bank statement, cell phone bill, pay stub, credit card bill...etc.



ONLINE REGISTRATION ENROLLMENT PROCESS

AN IN-PERSON REGISTRATION APPOINTMENT IS REQUIRED FOR ALL THOSE SEEKING TO ENROLL A CHILD FOR SCHOOL IN THE DISTRICT

To register a student for school (new or returning student), parents/legal guardians must:

- STEP ONE:** Access the on-line pre-registration link on the District's website.
<https://www.somds.k12.nj.us/district/registration>
- STEP TWO:** Create a username and password (make a note of it for safe keeping)
- STEP THREE:** Complete the on-line pre-registration (if you have trouble please contact the vendor for assistance at 866-434-6276 or support@infosnap.com)
- STEP FOUR:** Once complete, review and submit. You should receive a "Submission Complete" message.
- STEP FIVE:** Use the appointment scheduler to make your in-person registration appointment. Please scroll to the bottom of the page and **select "confirm" to secure your appointment.**
- STEP SIX:** Print/Review the "Registration Checklist" for a list of items needed for your in-person appointment. Print the health forms and have your physician complete them.
- STEP SEVEN:** You may want to print a copy of your registration packet for your records or save it as a PDF.
- STEP EIGHT:** Arrive at least 10 minutes before your scheduled appointment. Please bring your immunizations, original birth certificate, proof of residency, photo ID and any other relevant documents. Faxes and emails will not be accepted.

All registration appointments take place in the Office of Registration, at the Board of Education, 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ 07040.

NOTE: The Student is not required to be in attendance for the in-person appointment.
For language assistance please contact the Office of Registration for additional information



SETH BOYDEN TRANSFER REQUEST / OPT-IN PLACEMENT

For the 2020-2021 school year, students wishing to “OPT-IN” to Seth Boyden Kindergarten, will be placed via a lottery. The Seth Boyden Opt-In Lottery is the result of increased enrollment across the District.

Seth Boyden Kindergarten Opt-In Lottery:

All new kindergarten applicants, including those currently enrolled in the District’s Universal Preschool Program, **who are NOT zoned for Seth Boyden Elementary School**, must submit an “OPT-IN” form to be considered for enrollment in Seth Boyden’s Elementary Kindergarten.

Priority Placement (regardless of opt-in request)

- Zoned Siblings
- Zoned Families

Opt-In students will be placed in kindergarten at Seth Boyden Elementary as follows:

- *Opt-in siblings of existing families (these are siblings of previously approved “opt-in” students who remain enrolled at Seth Boyden for the 2020-2021 school year and have, (a) completed their kindergarten enrollment and (b) submitted a Seth Boyden Opt-In form by April 10th (at 3 pm), will be considered for priority placement)
- New Opt-In families

All remaining applicants, who meet the eligibility criteria listed below, will be placed through the *Seth Boyden Opt-In Lottery*.

Eligibility Criteria:

All students must be fully registered for kindergarten, for the 2020 - 2021 school year, by the ***Opt-In deadline of Friday, April 10, 2020, at 3 pm***. *This includes those with siblings currently enrolled at Seth Boyden.*

- Parents will be notified of their acceptance in Seth Boyden Kindergarten no later **May 15, 2020**.
- Students not selected by the Seth Boyden Opt-In Lottery will be placed in their zoned school (provided there is space) and waitlisted for an available seat at Seth Boyden. If a seat becomes available, prior to the start of school, students will be placed from the waitlist through August 28, 2020.
- Forms received after the April 10, 2020 deadline will be, time and date stamped and added to the waitlist in the order in which it was received.

**Siblings(s) will be given consideration for priority placement as long as the eligibility criterion is met and there is ample space to accommodate the sibling with no restrictions to the placement.*

POWERSCHOOL PORTAL FOR PARENTS

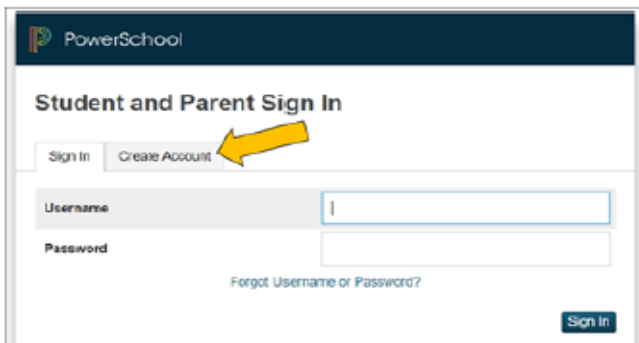
At the beginning of the school year (once your child has been enrolled in school) you will receive a mailed letter from the District with your access credentials for the PowerSchool parent portal.

PowerSchool is the student information system used by the South Orange & Maplewood School District. It provides parents/guardians confidential and real-time access to information related to their child, such as school assignments, grades, attendance and report cards. In addition, via the Annual Welcome Packet housed within the PowerSchool parent portal, the District collects vital forms from SOMSD families. These forms provide us with family contact information, student health information, and a range of important permissions and agreements. All families are asked to complete these crucial online forms as soon as possible.

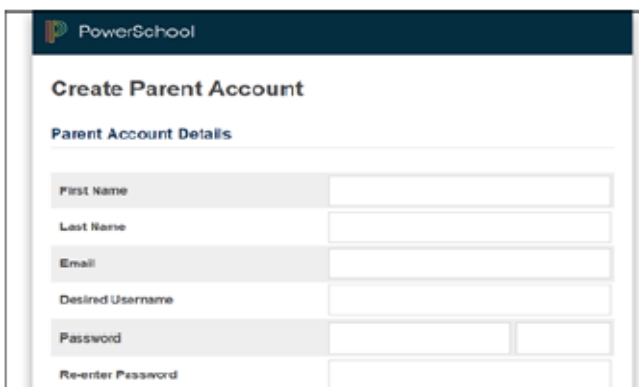
Accessing the Parent Portal for the First Time:

Please note: You will not have access the parent portal until your child is enrolled (fully completed the registration process and is placed at a SOMSD school). Once this process is completed, you will receive a written notice from the District with access credentials to the PowerSchool parent portal.

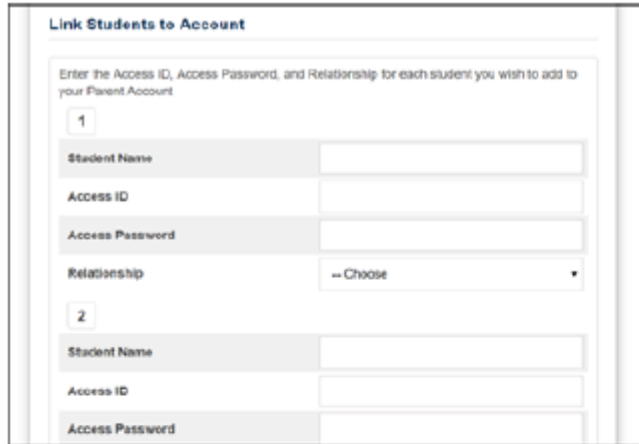
1. Open an internet browser on your computer.
2. Navigate to the district homepage at <https://www.somd.k12.nj.us>
3. Select Quick Links > Parents > PowerSchool.



4. Select the "create account" button at the bottom of the page.



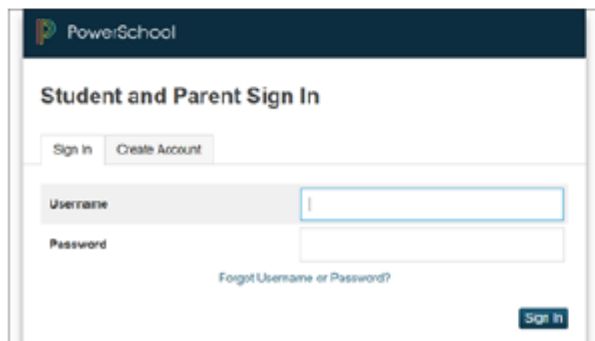
5. Enter your contact information and create a username and password. The password you select must be at least 8 characters long and is case sensitive. Please make note of this information, as it will be required on subsequent logins.



6. Under the “Link Students to Account” section, enter your student’s data (Access ID and Access Password can be found on the PowerSchool Parent Portal letter from your school).
7. Select the Enter button.
8. Congratulations, your account is now created. You may now login.

Accessing The Parent Portal - After Creating Your Account

1. Open an internet browser on your computer.
2. Navigate to the district homepage at <https://www.somd.k12.nj.us>
3. Select Quick Links > Parents > PowerSchool.



4. Enter your username and password in the appropriate fields.
5. Press the Sign in button.

If you need assistance with your account or with navigating the portal, go to the District home page and select Quick Links > Parents > PowerSchool Parent Portal Help or email the parent portal help desk at parentportalhelp@somd.k12.nj.us.

If you are unable to locate the email or are new to the District please email the Parent Portal help desk at: parentportalhelp@somd.k12.nj.us.



KINDERGARTEN FAQs

1. How old does my child have to be to enroll in school?

Children must be 5 by October 1 to enroll in kindergarten and 6 by October 1 to enroll in the first-grade (per District policy #5112 - no exceptions or testing can supersede this policy).

2. How do I register my child for kindergarten?

- a. Pre-register online. The 2020-2021 Enrollment application is available on the District's Website. www.somds.k12.nj.us/district/registration
- b. In-person appointment to provide the required documents needed to complete the registration process
 - After you complete the online registration, you will be prompted to select a registration appointment for the in-person portion.
 - Appointments should be scheduled according to your zoned school's assigned week (see pg. 5)

3. How do I know what school I am zoned for?

Please access the School Zones document found in the Registration section of the website. School zones are listed according to your street address.

4. I previously submitted an on-line application, do I need to submit another one?

Parents who previously submitted an application utilizing the online system, who do not have a child currently attending school in the District, will need to complete and submit the 2020-2021 application and make an in-person appointment to enroll for the 2020-2021 school year.

5. Is my child's zoned school guaranteed?

Students shall generally attend the school located in the area closest to their residence (zoned school). The Superintendent MAY, assign a student to another school, in the District, other than that designated by the attendance area, when such an exception is justified by circumstances (e.g. re-zoning, over-enrollment, changes in structure of school building). All Students are placed in accordance with District Policies 5112, 5120, 5124 and 8600:

- In their zoned school (based upon address), when space allows,
- Another school, in the District, with available space

The District will make every attempt to place siblings in the same school, but placement may not always be in the zoned school. **All such decisions of the Superintendent (or Representative) are final!**

6. How are children placed in Kindergarten?

Student placement for the 2020-2021 school year adhere to the following criteria:

- Students will first be placed in their zoned school provided there is ample space to accommodate each enrollee

KINDERGARTEN FAQs (cont.)

- Should enrollment exceed the number of available seats, placement will be prioritized as follows:
 - a. Special program requirements (e.g., Special Education, English Language Learners, etc.)
 - b. Sibling Preference
 - c. Lottery for all zoned families who fully completed their registration during the stated kindergarten registration period if the number of applicants exceeds the number of available seats

7. What is “Sibling Preference?”

“Sibling Preference” is when a student who is enrolled in their zoned school for the 19-20 school year continues to be enrolled in their zoned school for the 2020-2021 school year. The District will place the sibling in the same zoned school, as long as there is space to accommodate the sibling there and there are no restrictions with the placement. (“Sibling Preference” applies to students who will be attending their zoned school for the 2020-2021 school year).

8. What happens if I am “closed out” of my zoned school due to over enrollment?

Students who are “closed out” of their zoned school due to over enrollment will be placed by the Office of Registration, based on an assessment of available seats and transportation needs. Parents are not able to choose which school their child is assigned to.

Students “closed out” will be placed on a waitlist according to when their enrollment packet was fully completed. Students can and may remain waitlisted for a full school year before additional seats become available. All students are placed in accordance with District Policies 5120, 5124 and 8600.

9. Do I get to choose which elementary school my child will attend?

SOMSD provides elementary families with the opportunity to attend their zoned elementary school, or to “opt in” to one other elementary school, if space is available.

- Families zoned for Clinton, Jefferson, Marshall, South Mountain and Tuscan can opt in to Seth Boyden
- Families zoned for Seth Boyden can opt in to Marshall/Jefferson
- Incoming families may be assigned to a different District school than their zoned or choice school, in accordance with long-standing Board policy, if there are no open spots in that grade

10. When will I know which school my child will attend for kindergarten?

Kindergarten parents/guardians will receive notification of their child's placement mid-late May, along with their kindergarten orientation notices.

11. Must I have the original birth certificate to register or may I use a copy or my child's passport?

KINDERGARTEN FAQs (cont.)

You must provide an original birth certificate with a raised seal. Passports are not accepted as they do not provide proof of custody.

12. Why must I have proof of custody?

If both parents' names are listed on a birth certificate, and the child will be living with only one parent, the parent enrolling the child must provide proof of residential/physical custody. If only one parent's name is listed this is not required.

13. Can I arrange for a tour of my child(ren)'s school?

Yes. Tours should be arranged directly with the school secretary.

14. What is the Kindergarten screening?

This is a time for your child to meet a kindergarten teacher and feel more at home at the school, and also an opportunity for teachers to get a quick overview of your child's interests and learning style.

15. When will I learn the name of my child's teacher?

SOMSD sends teacher assignment letters to every student a few days before the first day of school. Teacher assignments are sent out on the same day for all elementary schools. The school will not release teacher assignment information before letters are mailed out.

16. Will my child ride a bus to school?

Busses are provided as a courtesy to qualified students at Marshall/Jefferson, Seth Boyden and South Mountain Annex (based on distance from school). You will receive a form that must be completed and mailed back in order for your child to be scheduled for transportation.

17. Is after-care available through the District?

The District does not provide after care. However, on-site after care is available through the South Mountain YMCA, and there are also a number of off-site after care options available through various providers. The on-site programs run from dismissal time until 6:30pm and follow the District calendar. More information on the on-site programs is available at <http://www.metroymcas.org/south-mountain-ymca/after-school-care-program/>

The District does provide optional, after school "enrichment classes" through the Beyond the Bell program. These classes typically run in 6-week or 7-week cycles, three times per year. You will receive more information once the school year begins.

18. Who can I talk to if I have a concern about my child?

The best place to start is with your child's teacher. In the rare event that you are not satisfied with the teacher's response, then you can contact the school principal.

ADDITIONAL KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION

FIRST DAY

What supplies should my child bring on the first day? If your child's kindergarten teacher requires any supplies on the first day of school, a list will be included with your teacher assignment letter. Generally, however, most kindergarten supplies will be requested during the first week of school. The supply list is usually quite short and includes items like crayons, glue sticks, tissues and hand sanitizer.

✓ ***Should my child bring a snack on the first day of school?***

Kindergarten and first grade students eat a snack every day. In most classrooms, parents are responsible for sending in a small, healthy snack and drink daily. In some classrooms, snacks might be provided by one family for the entire class for a day or a week. On the first day it is recommended that you do send in a snack. If the teacher has different plans for snack time, you will be informed at some point early in the school year.

✓ ***Should my child bring lunch on the first day of school?***

Students can bring lunch for home or purchase lunch at school. The first few days of school, the lines to purchase lunch are sometimes long as children are just learning the process. You may wish to consider sending a lunch from home these first few days, even if you plan for your child to generally purchase lunch.

LUNCH

✓ **How do I set up a lunch account for my child?**

Students may either bring lunch from home or buy lunch, drinks, and snacks using a PIN number to access their pre-paid lunch account. In order to open a lunch account, you will need your child's student ID number. This number is usually included with correspondence that is sent by the school district after you have registered your child for school. You can also obtain this number by calling Food Services at (973) 762-5600, ext. 1000. Once you have that, you can:

- 1) Pay via check using the form for lunch accounts, which is located in your school's office;
- 2) Go to mealpayplus.com and use your credit card; or
- 3) Call (866) 734-4694 to give your credit card information over the phone. Please note that applications for the Federal Free and Reduced Price Lunch program will be sent home as part the start of year materials.

Note: *There is no lunch on half-days. Please include a snack in your child's backpack if your teacher normally schedules a snack period.*



ADDITIONAL KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION (cont.)

FAMILY INVOLVMENT

How can I stay informed about what is going on in my child's school? Your child's teachers will send home regular communications about what is happening in the class, and your school principal will send home periodic communications about what is happening in the school. There are also numerous opportunities to visit the school throughout the year including Back to School Night in the early fall, parent/teacher conferences in late fall and again in early spring, and celebrations such as art fairs, music festivals, and field day.

SCHOOL PTA

We encourage all parents/guardians to get involved in your school's PTA. Children, schools and parents/guardians all benefit from family involvement in the PTA. There are many ways to participate:

- Sign up for the PTA e-newsletters
- Attend PTA events
- Volunteer to help the PTA looks for volunteers throughout the year. Please contact any member of the PTA to find out what you can do to help.
- Volunteer to help your child's class or participate in the field trips and other class events organized by your child's teacher and the Class Parents.

DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

To stay abreast of District communications we encourage you to sign up via the PowerSchool parent portal to ensure that you receive emails, SMS text and robocalls for updates. You can also visit the District website at www.somsd.k12.nj.us, look for flyers in your child's backpack, follow us on Twitter @SOMSDK12 or attend monthly Board of Education meetings (or watch them via livestream).

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDRESSES

SCHOOL	ADDRESS	SCHOOL PHONE #
Clinton Elementary School	27 Berkshire Road, Maplewood	(973) 378-7686
Jefferson Elementary School	518 Ridgewood Road, Maplewood	(973) 378-7696
Marshall Elementary School	262 Grove Road, South Orange	(973) 378-7698
Seth Boyden Elementary School	274 Boyden Avenue, Maplewood	(973) 378-5209
South Mountain Elementary School	444 West South Orange Ave., South Orange	(973) 378-5216
South Mountain Elementary School - Annex	112 Glenview Road, South Orange	(973) 378-2801
Tuscan Elementary School	25 Harvard Avenue, Maplewood	(973) 378-5221

SOUTH ORANGE MAPLEWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

JULY 2020

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AUGUST 2020

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SEPTEMBER 2020

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OCTOBER 2020

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DECEMBER 2020

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27	28	29	30	31		

July
3 Independence Day Observed - District Closed

August
19, 20 Staff Development—(Administrative Team ONLY)
24-27 New Staff Orientation

September
1 All Teachers Report & Staff Development
2 All Teachers Report & Staff Development
3 All Teachers Report & Convocation Day
4 Holiday Recess—District Closed
7 Labor Day—District Closed
8 Students Report: Grades PreK-7/9
9 Students Report: Grades 8/10-12
28 Yom Kippur—District Closed
Student Days: 15/16 Staff Days: 19

October
13 4-Hr Day—K-12 **Students ONLY** (PD for staff)
3-Hr Day Pre-K **Students ONLY** (PD for staff)
Student & Staff Days: 22

November
2-6 Fall Break—District Closed
25 4-Hr Day—K-12 (Holiday Recess)
3-Hr Day Pre-K (Holiday Recess)
26, 27 Thanksgiving - District Closed
Student Days: 14 Staff Days: 14

December
2, 3 Evening Conference (4-Hr Day—K-5 / 3-Hr Day Pre-K (**Students & Staff**))
4 Afternoon Conference (4-Hr Day—K-5 / 3-Hr Day Pre-K (**Students ONLY**))
8 4-Hr Day—K-12 **Students ONLY** (PD for staff)
3-Hr Day Pre-K **Students ONLY** (PD for staff)
23 4-Hr Day—K-12 (Holiday Recess)
3-Hr Day Pre-K (Holiday Recess)
24, 25 Holiday Recess - District Closed
28-30 Holiday Recess - Schools Closed
31 Holiday Recess—District Closed
Student & Staff Days: 17

January
1 New Year's Day Holiday —District Closed
18 MLK Day - District Closed
Student & Staff Days: 19

February
2 4-Hr Day—K-12 **Students ONLY** (PD for staff)
3-Hr Day Pre-K **Students ONLY** (PD for staff)
12 Winter Break—Schools Closed
15 President's Day—District Closed
Student & Staff Days: 18

March
10, 11 Evening Conference (4-Hr Day—K-5 / 3-Hr Day Pre-K (**Students & Staff**))
12 Afternoon Conference (4-Hr Day—K-5 / 3-Hr Day Pre-K (**Students ONLY**))
23 4-Hr Day—K-12 **Students ONLY** (PD for staff)
3-Hr Day Pre-K **Students ONLY** (PD for staff)
29-31 Spring Recess—Schools Closed
Student & Staff Days: 20

April
1 Spring Break—Schools Closed
2 Good Friday—District Closed
Student & Staff Days: 20

May
31 Memorial Day - District Closed
Student & Staff Days: 20

June
22 4-Hr Day—K-12 **Students ONLY**
3-Hr Day Pre-K **Students ONLY**
23 4-Hr Day & Last Day—Grades K-7/9—**Students ONLY**
3-Hr Day & Last Day—Pre-K
24 4-Hr Day & Last Day—Grades 8/10-12—**Students ONLY**
Last Teacher Day
Student Days: 17/18 Staff Days: 18
Total Student Days: 183*
Total Staff Days: 187*

CHS Graduation Day is Thursday, June 24, 2021.

Emergency Closing & Make Up Days: Should the District use more than the THREE allotted emergency closing days, the first Make up Day will be Monday, March 29, 2021 working forward to Thursday, April 1, 2021 as needed or at the end of the school year if emergency closings occur after April 2nd.

If only TWO emergency school closing days are used, school will be closed on Friday, May 28, 2021.

CALENDAR APPROVED BY BOE: 12/16/19

JANUARY 2021

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FEBRUARY 2021

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MARCH 2021

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APRIL 2021

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MAY 2021

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JUNE 2021

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- = District Closed
- = Schools Closed
- = Staff day/Schools closed for students
- = 4-Hour day (all Schools)
- = 4-Hour day (Elem) / 3-Hour day (Pre-K)
- = Give back day if needed. *See below.