



# Eye of the Tiger

District 879 Newsletter August 2020

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8-9.....ES Orientation Days

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16.....Two-hour late start

28.....School board mtg., 7 p.m.

## Reopening plans online

For the most up-to-date information and details about the resumption of classes this fall, see the Return to School Plan online at [bit.ly/DPSBackToSchool](https://bit.ly/DPSBackToSchool). School-specific plans have more information on open houses and materials distribution.



## Back to school

Delano students return to the physical or virtual classroom on Tuesday, Sept. 8. New teachers here include, from left, Mike Galos, Diana Jobin-Vig, Katie Utne, Lauryn Kramer, Lauren Johnson, Jake Muhonen and Wyatt Russek. Not pictured, Rachael Mathews, Michele Engesser and Karissa Leaman.

## Collaboration and cooperation

By Matthew Schoen  
Superintendent

Welcome to what will be the most unusual school year that I have experienced in my 32 years in education.

It has been said many times, but we are obviously in unprecedented times in terms of how education will be facilitated with our students for the 2020-21 school year.

We have been working very hard in preparing to provide a safe learning environment for all our students and staff. We have created a detailed plan to manage a multitude of changes with our systems so that we can safely reopen school in a few short days.

### Whole community effort

The successful implementation of this plan



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will require an extensive amount of collaboration and cooperation with our students, staff, parents and community members.

Each of us plays an integral part in taking the appropriate precautions in order to keep our school community and greater community as healthy as possible.

This is a time when our entire community needs to be cognizant of the fact that making healthy decisions to mitigate the spread of this virus will have a positive effect on the school district's ability to provide the best educational experience for our students.

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# Summer programs navigate COVID-19

By Paul Downer  
Communications Coordinator

At the outset of an unprecedented school year, it is only natural for students, staff members and families to look for some indication of what to expect going forward.

In Delano, the first in-person efforts to navigate the COVID-19 virus through various precautions like social distancing, mask wearing and enhanced cleaning took place during summer Community Education programming. The good news is that all programs were held successfully, with no shutdowns required due to illness.

"I think the big takeaway is that our community really did pull together through the summer to make these activities happen," said Youth Development Coordinator Chris Runke. "That's what it's going to take to make the school year successful as well, everybody in the community doing their part: wearing their masks whenever possible, hand washing, all that fun stuff. Seeing it work through the summer gives me hope that our school year will be successful."

What follows is a brief overview of various Community Education programs, efforts made to maintain safety, and the results.

## ***Tiger Kids Club***

In the child care setting, Tiger Kids Club Coordinator Becca Seiberlich said the response of the students and parents to new safety restrictions was gratifying.

"The parents who participated in the program took it very seriously," she said, adding that there were no confirmed COVID cases among participants. "Any symptom the child had, they reported it to the nurse, talked to us about it, and really went over the top to protect their child and the others in their pod."

The pods were one of several



**Despite restrictions to group sizes, social distancing and other requirements, summer activities went well.**

new safety measures enacted and involved keeping students in the same group of nine, with one supervisor, for the entire summer. While that created a different social dynamic than past years, Seiberlich said there were several unforeseen positive results, including students making friendships across grades that have carried on outside of the program.

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**Chris Runke**  
Youth Development  
Coordinator

"At the start we were pretty apprehensive about how that was going to work out because they couldn't play with different kids and they didn't have the freedom that they typically have in our program," she said. "But what happened is the teachers got to know the kids' personalities really, really well because they were together every day. So their activities were planned around what the

teacher knew their interests to be. So they came every day excited about what they were going to do together."

Implementation of the statewide mask mandate at the end of July was another challenge, but groups spent as much time outside as possible and made sure to work mask breaks into their routines.

"Kids can do it," said Seiberlich. "We were amazed about how good they were at following that rule and how they wanted to follow that rule. The kids want to do what's right. They see others wearing masks in public and they want to do that because they know that that's what keeps everybody around them safe."

## ***Youth enrichment***

It was a busy summer for athletics and other activities, as there were about 1,200 registrations for various events. Runke agreed that younger students did very well with the new guidelines, while older students took a little more time to adjust to practices like social distancing. In the end, however, vigilant coaches, honest student responses to health screenings, and compliance with the new rules meant that every activity was able to proceed without interruption.

"People have been very receptive to the rules and guidelines we've had in place. It seems like people really want activities to take place and they're willing to do what it takes, what's asked of them, to make those things happen," said Runke.

## ***Early childhood***

Preschool classes are being split into smaller groups this fall, and the experiences of the summer will help inform actions this fall. Programs like Magic School Bus, Play in the Parks, classes for children age 1 and 2, and early childhood screening went well with no interruptions.

"I think parents are ready to go out and do it. They were respectful of the guidelines that we were giving them. And they appreciated the guidelines that we had them do, the hand sanitizer and the masks," said Dawn Hilgers, who runs the preschool and other early childhood programs.

Hilgers described the thorough disinfection efforts of surfaces, manipulatives and other items in between screenings, and summed up the whole experience in a nutshell: "It works, it's just more work," she said.

## ***All efforts made***

Community Ed. Director Diane Johnson said all efforts have been made to ensure safety this summer and fall.

"School administrators across the state and across the country are working very hard with local health experts to design systems that will help keep everybody healthy and safe," she said. "The public doesn't see the volume of work that all the administrators have been doing, and all the networking and consultations across the state. So be assured that we are working very hard to create systems that will keep people safe, to the best of our ability. I am optimistic because things did go smoothly this summer."



# Community Ed. brochure notice

As the new school year gets underway, Delano Community Education will send out small online catalogs as activities are planned on a month-by-month basis. With smaller catalogs and shorter time frames, the goal is to prevent confusion caused by rescheduling that may be necessary based on Wright County COVID-19 numbers and the Delano Public Schools learning model. Notifications about new and upcoming classes will be sent out via email to district families and updated online at [www.delanocommunityed.com](http://www.delanocommunityed.com). Community Ed. staff members had a wonderful summer providing enrichment and recreation activities to this community and are looking forward to a great year.



## ECFE classes on the schedule

ECFE classes will start in-person again at the end of September. Classes will be offered for all ages, from birth to 5. There will be morning and evening classes in person, and also some virtual classes for parents with children ages birth to 12th grade. Watch the Community Ed. website for class announcements.

### **Mondays**

- “Wonderful Ones & Twos,” 9:15 to 10:30 a.m.

### **Tuesdays**

- “Terrific Twos & Threes” 9:15 to 10:45 a.m.
- Terrific Tuesdays (ages 2 to 5 years) 5:45 to 7:15 p.m.

### **Wednesdays**

- Free “Baby & Me” (ages birth to 12 months) 9:15 to 10:30 a.m.
- Free “Terrific Twos & Threes” (second class offering) 9:15 to 10:45 a.m.

### **Thursdays**

- “Busy Bodies - Large Motor Class” (ages 18 months to 5 years) 9:15 to 10:45 a.m.
- “Family Night Out Play & Learn” (ages birth to 5) 6 to 7:15 p.m.

### **Fridays**

- “Coffee Connection” parent class 9 to 10:30 a.m. (free childcare for registered parents)
- “Cabin Fever Open Gym” (ages birth to 5) 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. - resumes in November.

## Opportunities available to join the team

Join the Delano Community Ed. team. See the [www.delano.k12.mn.us](http://www.delano.k12.mn.us) for details and to apply for these positions:

- Community Ed Cook: approx. 30 hours per week, includes benefits.
- Tiger Kids Club staff to work with children in Pre-Kin-

dergarten through 6th grades: There are early morning hours and afternoon hours (2 to 6 pm) available.

- American Red Cross Water Safety Instructors (WSI). Do you love to work with children and love to swim? Consider getting your WSI

certification. A class will be offered soon.

Upon completion, you would be considered for teaching positions in the aquatics program. To learn more, please contact Kim at 763-972-3365, ext. 1201.

## TAC news and notes

Tiger Activity Center Coordinator Kim Finn said that new arrangements due to COVID-19 have been well-received since the facility reopened in June. Memberships were extended for the time the facility was closed, usage is increasing as the school year approaches, and feedback has been positive.

“We’ve had good comments from members about how clean and organized the facility is, which is nice to hear,” Finn said.

- **Parking update for TAC members:** Parking for all TAC members will be in Parking Lot 3. Please enter Door 31 when coming to work out. The main entrance to the high school will no longer be available for members. There will also be “No Parking” where the 24-hour reserved parking signs are located in Lot 3.

- **Door 31:** The plan is to use Door 31 and parking in Lot 3 throughout the school year.

- **TAC office direct line:** 762-972-7605

- **Hours:** Open hours will be fluid throughout the school year. Please check the TAC Facebook page for monthly schedules of availability.

- **SignUpGenius:** Reservations need to be made through SignUpGenius. Please find the TAC link at [Signupgenius.com](http://Signupgenius.com).

# Announcements

## ***Census information sought***

Each year school districts throughout Minnesota are required by state law to conduct a census of the students from birth to age 4 who live within the district. Parents are asked to report their family information by calling the Early Childhood Family Education office at 763.972.6210, ext. 1103, or by emailing dawn.hilgers@delanoschools.org. The census information requested includes: parent/guardian name(s), county of residence, home address, home telephone number, full name (first, middle, last) and birthdates of all children.

We need to receive this information by Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2020. Your assistance ensures that you will receive important school information for your preschool-age child, and Delano Public Schools will receive full program funding from the state. The information that the school district collects will be used only for school business and will be handled in a confidential manner.

## ***Early childhood screening dates***

Delano Public Schools will be conducting free early childhood health and developmental screenings on Friday, Sept. 18; Friday and Saturday, Oct. 23-24 and Nov. 6-7; and Friday, Dec. 4, at the Community Ed. building.

Minnesota law requires that screening be completed prior to public kindergarten enrollment. Children 3.6 years to kindergarten enrollment age are eligible for the upcoming screenings. Screening includes height, weight, vision, hearing, concepts, social/emotional development, speech and language, health history, an immunization review and a consultation with a parent educator. Results from the screening are shared with the parent the same day and referrals are made when necessary.

To schedule a screening appointment, go to [www.delanocommunityed.com/early-learning/early-childhood-screening](http://www.delanocommunityed.com/early-learning/early-childhood-screening), or call Dawn Hilgers, Early Childhood Programs Coordinator, at 763.972.6210, ext. 1103.

## ***Early childhood intervention***

Delano Public Schools is committed to doing what is best for our students. From the moment a child is born, early intervention services can be essential in helping a child grow and develop properly. In partnership with families and the community, Delano Public Schools provides early intervention services for children ages birth to beyond at no cost to families living within the district's resident boundaries. We have a team of qualified professionals ready to respond and answer your questions about your child's development. The Early Intervention Services Team will help you determine if your child is on track or needs a comprehensive developmental assessment. For those children who meet the state of Minnesota Special Education eligibility requirements, we will offer services based on their developmental needs.

For more information about services provided by Delano Public School's Special Education Department, contact Angela Lauderbaugh, Special Education Coordinator, at 763.972.3365, ext. 1908.

## ***Volunteer at our schools***

Delano Public Schools welcomes volunteers and appreciates their efforts on behalf of our students. The district uses the volunteer management system from Raptor Technologies to screen and track volunteers in our buildings. This is the same system currently used for visitor management and ensures safety and

security for students, staff and visitors.

The district's risk management policy mandates that all volunteers MUST be registered every year with the district's volunteer office prior to participating in any school-related activity, including field trips.

Registration can be completed at [www.delano.k12.mn.us/schoolservices/volunteering](http://www.delano.k12.mn.us/schoolservices/volunteering) and consists of two parts.

1. Volunteers MUST have a secure background check on file with District 879. The background check is valid for three calendar years and can be accessed via a link on the volunteer page of the district website. The cost of the secure background check is \$12, payable by the volunteer.

2. Volunteers MUST complete -- every school year -- a volunteer application form, which can be accessed and completed on the school website under school services/volunteering.

If you have any questions, contact Volunteer Coordinators Shelley Hutchins or Peg Max at 763.972.3365 ext. 1912, or [volco-ord@delanoschools.org](mailto:volco-ord@delanoschools.org).

## ***School closing information***

School may be closed for the day, started late or dismissed early due to weather conditions, emergencies, utility outages or other conditions that threaten the health and/or safety of our students and staff. Families will be notified by the school district's instant parent contact system for emergency school closings.

Families are encouraged to have a plan in place for their students when emergency closings, late starts or early dismissals occur. Watch for calendar changes and possible make-up days due to school closings communicated via school publications, Skylert parent emails, phone calls, the district website, Facebook and Twitter. If you would like to receive a text message, you must set this option up in your family access account. Log into your account and on the left, click on Skylert. You can list your phone number under "Text Message Numbers" and check the categories for which you want this option applied. Then click "Save."

## ***Release of student data notice***

According to the Minnesota Data Practices Act, student directory information is public unless a parent requests that the information not be released.

Parents who DO NOT want their child's data released for the 2020-21 school year must notify their child's school in writing, or via the Release of Student Data Form which is located in each school's parent/student handbook, by Oct. 1, 2020. If you have any questions, please direct them to your student's school.

## ***Bus information on Skyward***

Busing information is listed on Skyward Family Access. If you have any questions or need information regarding transportation, contact Stahlke Bus Company at 763.972.3991.

A School Bus Rider's Handbook has been developed to inform students and parents of expected behavior when utilizing school transportation services. Students will receive the handbook during the first week of school, and training will take place in the classroom and on a school bus. You, as a parent/guardian, are responsible for your student's comprehension of the contents of the handbook. School bus safety legislation states (Sec. 6, 123.801) that bus transportation is a privilege, not a right, for an eligible student. A student's eligibility may be revoked for a violation of school bus or district policies.

## 2020 – 2021 STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE COVERAGE

**OPTIONAL SCHOOL TIME ACCIDENT COVERAGE** - Insurance coverage is provided for covered Injuries incurred during the hours and days when school is in session and while attending or participating in school sponsored and supervised activities on or off school premises. Includes participation in: Interscholastic Sports, excluding high school interscholastic tackle football (see below Optional Football Coverage option); Summer Recreation Activities sponsored by the school; One-Day School Field Trips (no Overnight) and School Sponsored Religious Activities. Coverage is provided for traveling to, during or after such activities as a member of a group in transportation furnished or arranged by the Policyholder and traveling directly to or from their home premises and the school or the site of a covered activity.

**Annual Premium:** Gold: \$31.00 Silver: \$20.00 Bronze: \$10.00

**OPTIONAL 24-HOUR ACCIDENT COVERAGE** - Insurance coverage is provided around the clock, 24 Hours per day. Provides coverage during the weekends and vacation periods including the entire summer. Students are protected while at Home or away, any place, any time, anywhere. Coverage is provided for participation in Interscholastic Sports, excluding high school interscholastic tackle football (see below Optional Football Coverage option).

**Annual Premium:** Gold: \$125.00 Silver: \$81.00 Bronze: \$41.00

**OPTIONAL FOOTBALL COVERAGE** - Covers Accidents occurring while participating in high school interscholastic tackle football practice or competition. Travel is covered when going directly and uninterruptedly to or from such practice or competition as part of a group in transportation furnished or arranged by the Policyholder. Refer to benefits and limitations described inside this brochure. Optional Football Coverage begins on the date of premium receipt and ends on the last day of practice or competition. Ninth Graders who play with 9<sup>th</sup> graders ONLY are not charged extra for football coverage. Their Optional School-Time or Optional 24-Hour Accident Coverage will apply if purchased.

**Annual Premium:** Gold: \$163.00 Silver: \$106.00 Bronze: \$53.00

**Spring/Summer Weight and Conditioning Training Only Rates** Gold: \$ 57.00 Silver: \$ 44.00 Bronze: \$27.00

(for new players who participate in spring training and not already insured under Optional Football Coverage)

**OPTIONAL 24-HOUR DENTAL COVERAGE (Can be purchased separately or with other coverage)** - Insurance coverage is in effect 24 Hours a day. Injury must be treated within 60 days after the Accident occurs. Benefits are payable within 12 months after the date of Injury. The maximum eligible expenses payable per covered Injury is \$25,000. In addition, when the dentist certifies that treatment must be deferred until after the Benefit Period, deferred benefits will be paid to a maximum of \$1,000. The Student must be treated by a legally qualified dentist who is not a member of the student's Immediate Family for Injury to teeth. Coverage is limited to treatment of sound, natural teeth. **Annual Premium: \$7.00**

**COVERAGE PERIOD** - Coverage under the Optional School-Time Accident Coverage, the Optional 24-Hour Accident Coverage and the Optional 24-Hour Dental Coverage starts on the date of premium receipt but not before the start of the school year. Optional School-Time Accident Coverage ends at the close of the regular nine-month school term, except while the student is attending academic classroom sessions exclusively sponsored and solely supervised by the School during the summer. Optional 24-Hour Accident and Dental Coverage ends when school reopens for the following school year. Coverage is available under the plan throughout the school year at the premiums quoted (**no pro rata premiums available**). **Coverage is not available in CT, ID, IL, NJ, NC, PA, SD and TN.**

### SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

Coverage for Injuries due to Accidents only

	Gold	Silver	Bronze
<b>Maximum Benefit:</b>			
School-Time Option	\$100,000	\$75,000	\$50,000
24-Hour Option	\$100,000	\$75,000	\$50,000
Football Option	\$100,000	\$75,000	\$50,000
Injuries Involving Motor Vehicles	\$ 10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Death Benefit/Double Dismemberment	\$ 10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Single Dismemberment	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
<b>Loss Period for Medical Benefits</b>	Treatment must begin within 60 days from the date of Injury		
<b>Benefit Period for Medical and AD&amp;D/Loss of Sight Benefits</b>	1 Year	1 Year	1 Year
<b>Excess Coverage Applicability</b>	Full Excess	Full Excess	Full Excess
<b>Hospital/Facility Services - Inpatient</b>			
Hospital Room and Board (Semi-Private Room Rate)	100% RE*	100% RE*	80% RE* / \$200 Max.**
Hospital Intensive Care	100% RE*	100% RE*	80% RE* / \$200 Max.**
Inpatient Hospital Miscellaneous	10,000 Maximum	\$7,500 Maximum	\$5,000 Maximum
<b>Hospital/Facility Services - Outpatient</b>			
Outpatient Hospital Miscellaneous			
(Except physician services and x-rays paid as below)	\$750 Maximum	80% RE* / \$500 Max.	\$250 Maximum
Free-standing Ambulatory Surgical Facility	\$2,000 Maximum	80% RE* / \$1,000 Max.	\$500 Maximum
Hospital Emergency Room Physician	\$75 Maximum	\$50 Maximum	\$50 Maximum
Hospital Emergency Room	\$500 Maximum	80% RE* / \$350 Max.	80% RE* / \$150 Max.
<b>Physician's Services</b>			
Surgical	80% RE* / \$3,000 Max.	80% RE* / \$2,000 Max.	80% RE* to \$1,000 Max.
Assistant Surgeon	25% of Surgical Benefits	25% of Surgical Benefits	25% of Surgical Benefits
Anesthesiologist	25% of Surgical Benefits	25% of Surgical Benefits	25% of Surgical Benefits
Physician's Non-surgical Treatment (Except as below)	\$60 Per Day	\$500 Maximum	\$25 Per Day
Physician's Outpatient Treatment in connection with Physical Therapy and/or Spinal Manipulation	\$75/Visit / 5 Visits Max.	\$40/Visit / 5 Visits Max.	\$25/Visit / 5 Visits Max.
		\$30/Visit / \$500 Maximum (KS only)	
<b>Other Services</b>			
Registered Nurses' Services	100% RE*	100% RE*	80% RE*
Prescriptions - outpatient	100% RE*	100% RE*	80% RE*
X-rays, includes interpretation - Outpatient	\$300 Maximum	\$250 Maximum	\$200 Maximum
Diagnostic Imaging (MRI, CAT Scan, etc) includes interpretation	\$1,000 Maximum	\$750 Maximum	\$300 Maximum
Ground Ambulance	\$500 Maximum	\$400 Maximum	\$200 Maximum
Air Ambulance	\$1,500 Maximum	\$1,000 Maximum	\$400 Maximum
Durable Medical Equipment (includes Orthopedic Braces & Appliances)	\$500 Maximum	\$300 Maximum	\$150 Maximum
Replacement of eyeglasses, hearing aids, contact lenses, if medical treatment is also received for the covered injury.	\$700 Maximum	\$500 Maximum	\$150 Maximum
Dental Treatment to sound, natural teeth due to covered injury	\$2,000 Maximum	\$1,500 Maximum	\$1,000 Maximum

\*RE means Reasonable Expense

\*\*Per Day

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### 2020 – 2021 ENROLLMENT APPLICATION (please print or type)

Student's Last Name _____	Student's First Name _____	Student's Middle Initial _____	Grade _____
Address _____		City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Telephone Number _____		Birthdate _____	
School System _____		Name of School _____	

Check your selection: Gold ☐ School-Time \$31.00 ☐ 24-Hour Accident \$125.00 ☐ Football \$163.00 ☐ 24-Hour Dental \$7.00

Silver ☐ School-Time \$20.00 ☐ 24-Hour Accident \$ 81.00 ☐ Football \$ 106.00 ☐ 24-Hour Dental \$7.00

Bronze ☐ School-Time \$10.00 ☐ 24-Hour Accident \$ 41.00 ☐ Football \$ 53.00 ☐ 24-Hour Dental \$7.00

Spring/Summer Weight and Conditioning Training Only Rates ☐ Gold - \$57.00 ☐ Silver - \$44.00 ☐ Bronze - \$27.00

**Please make check payable to Gerber Life Insurance Company**

Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ 1066



**EXCESS COVERAGE PROVISION** The Company will pay Reasonable Expenses that are not recoverable from any Other Plan. The Company will determine the amount of benefits provided by Other Plans without reference to any coordination of benefits, non-duplication of benefits, or similar provisions. The amount from Other Plans includes any amount, to which the Insured is entitled, whether or not a claim is made for the benefits. This Blanket Student Accident Insurance is secondary to all other policies. This provision will not apply if the total Reasonable Expenses incurred for Hospital and Professional Services Benefits are less than the amount stated in the Schedule of Benefits under Excess Coverage Applicability.

**MEDICAL BENEFITS** When a covered Injury to a student results in 1) treatment by a legally qualified Physician or surgeon (other than a member of the immediate family or person retained by the school) or 2) Hospital confinement, and treatment begins within 60 days from the date of Injury, the Company will pay the benefit as shown in the Schedule of Benefits, subject to the Excess Coverage Provision above. Only eligible medical expenses incurred by the Insured within 52 weeks from the date of the Accident are covered. Benefits for any one Accident shall not exceed in the aggregate the maximum stated in the Medical Benefit plan purchased. Expenses incurred after one year from the date of Injury are not covered, even though the service is a continuing one, or one that is necessarily delayed beyond one year from the date of Injury.

**ACCIDENTAL DEATH, DISMEMBERMENT AND LOSS OF SIGHT** When a covered Injury results in any of the Losses to the Insured which are stated in the Schedule of Benefits for Accidental Death, Dismemberment, or Loss of Sight then the Company will pay the benefit stated in the schedule for that Loss. The Loss must be sustained within 365 days after the date of the Accident.

The maximum benefit payable under this provision is stated in the Schedule of Benefits under Maximums and Benefit Period: 1) Life 2) Both Hands or Both Feet or Sight of Both Eyes; 3) Loss of One Hand and One Foot; 4) Loss of One Hand and Entire Sight of One Eye; 5) Loss of One Foot and Entire Sight of One Eye; 6) Loss of One Hand or Foot; 7) Loss of Sight in One Eye; 8) Loss of Thumb and Index Finger of the Same Hand. Half of the maximum benefit will be paid for the Loss of one Hand, one Foot or the Sight of one eye. Loss of Hand or Foot means the complete Severance through or above the wrist or ankle joint. Loss of Sight means the total, permanent Loss of Sight in One Eye. The Loss of Sight must be irrecoverable by natural, surgical or artificial means. Loss of Thumb and Index Finger of the Same Hand means complete Severance through or above the metacarpophalangeal joints of the same hand (the joints between the fingers and the hand). Severance means the complete separation and dismemberment of the part from the body. If the Insured suffers more than one of the above covered losses as a result of the same Accident the total amount the Company will pay is the maximum benefit. Benefits paid under this provision will be paid in addition to any other benefits provided by the Policy. Benefits under this provision are subject to all other provisions of the Policy, including all Coverage and Limitations, Maximums and Exclusions.

**DEFINITIONS** **Injury** means bodily injury caused by an Accident. The Injury must occur while the Policy is in force and while the Insured is covered under the Policy. The Injury must be sustained as stated on the face page of the Policy, except where specifically stated otherwise in the Policy. **Accident** means a sudden, unexpected and unforeseen, identifiable event producing at the time objective symptoms of an Injury. The Accident must occur while the Insured is covered under the Policy. **Other Plan** means any other valid and collectible insurance or self-funded plan such as: individual and family type insurance coverage; group, blanket or franchise insurance, group hospital, medical service, pre-payment, trustee, Union Welfare; Blue-Cross, Blue Shield, group practice or other pre-payment coverage; labor-management plans, or employee benefit organization plans; self-funded ERISA plan, Workers' Compensation Law, Occupational Disease Law or any similar legislation; Medicare; or "No-Fault" auto legislation, where applicable. **Reasonable Expense** means the average amount charged by most providers for treatment, service or supplies in the geographic area where the treatment, service or supply is provided. Such services and supplies must be recommended and approved by a Physician.

**EXCLUSIONS** No Benefits are payable for Hospital and Professional Services for the following: 1) Injuries which are not caused by an Accident; 2) Treatment for hernia, regardless of cause, Osgood Schlatter's disease, or osteochondritis; 3) Injury sustained as a result of operating, riding in or upon, or alighting from a two-, three-, or four-wheeled recreational motor vehicle or snowmobile; 4) Aggravation, during a Regularly Scheduled Activity, of an Injury the Insured suffered before participating in that Regularly Scheduled Activity, unless the Company receives a written medical release from the Insured's Physician; 5) Injury sustained as a result of practice or play in interscholastic tackle football and/or sports, unless the premium required under the Football and/or Sports Coverage provision has been paid; 6) Any expense for which benefits are payable under a Catastrophic Accident Insurance Program of the State Interscholastic Activities Association; 7) Treatment performed by a member of the Insured's Immediate Family or by a person retained by the School; 8) Injury caused by war or acts of war; suicide or intentionally self-inflicted Injury, while sane or insane (in Missouri while sane); violating or attempting to violate the law; the taking part in any illegal occupation; fighting or brawling except in self defense; being legally intoxicated or under the influence of alcohol as defined by the laws of the state in which the Injury occurs; or being under the influence of any drugs or narcotic unless administered by or on the advice of a Physician; 9) Medical expenses for which the Insured is entitled to benefits under any (a) Workers' Compensation act; or (b) mandatory no-fault automobile insurance contract; or similar legislation; 10) Expense incurred for treatment of temporomandibular joint dysfunction and associated myofascial pain; and 11) Expenses incurred for experimental or investigational treatment or procedures.

#### RETAIN THIS DESCRIPTION FOR YOUR RECORDS

This is not a Policy, rather a brief description of the benefits provided under the master policy issued to the school. Please refer to the master policy for further details. **IMPORTANT NOTICE – THIS POLICY DOES NOT PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR SICKNESS. This brochure has been designed to illustrate the highlights of this insurance. All information in this brochure is subject to the provisions of Policy Form COL-11, underwritten by Gerber Life Insurance Company (the Company). If there is any conflict between this brochure and the Policy, the Policy will prevail. Please see the Master Policy for individual state details.**

#### HOW TO FILE A CLAIM

Written notice of claim must be given to the Company within 90 days after the occurrence or commencement of any loss covered by this policy, or as soon thereafter as is reasonably possible. Notice given by or on behalf of the Named Insured to the Company, with information sufficient to identify the Named Insured shall be deemed notice to the Company. Written proof of loss must be furnished to the Company at its said office within 90 days after the date of such loss.

In the event of an Accident, students should: 1) Secure treatment at the nearest medical facility of their choice; 2) If you have other insurance, submit your claim to your other insurer. When you receive the explanation of benefits notice from your primary carrier, send it to us; 3) Obtain a receipt (if payment of any bills were made) and itemized copy of charges from the provider of medical services and send copies of their itemized bills and the fully completed and signed accident claim form to the claims office – mail all correspondence to WEB-TPA, P.O. Box 2415, Grapevine, TX 76099-2415; and 3) **Call 1-866-975-9468** with any Claims questions.

**UNDERWRITTEN BY:**  
Gerber Life Insurance Company  
White Plains, NY 10605

**MARKETING AGENT:**  
Marsh & McLennan Agency, LLC  
7225 Northland Drive North, Suite 300  
Minneapolis, MN 55428  
(763) 746-8000

**To apply for coverage, please enroll on-line with a credit card at [www.k12specialmarkets.com](http://www.k12specialmarkets.com) or cut along the dotted line, complete the form and mail it, along with your check or money order, to the Please Return To: address shown below.**

Please Return To: K12Special Markets Plan Administrators  
1055 Main Street, Suite 101  
Stevens Point, WI 54481

## SCHOOL LUNCH INFORMATION FOR 2020-2021

To apply for free or reduced-price school meals and/or help our school qualify for additional education funds and discounts, complete the enclosed Application for Educational Benefits and return to: Delano Public Schools, Attn: Tracie Erickson, Food Service Account Supervisor, 700 Elm Avenue East, Delano, MN, 55328.

Children need healthy food to learn, and Delano Public Schools serve nutritious meals every school day.

**Lunch costs \$3.00 for elementary students (K-3), \$3.00 for intermediate school students (4-6) and \$3.10 for high school students (7-12). Breakfast is \$1.75 for grades 1-12.**

Students who qualify for reduced-price meals receive school lunches at no charge. In addition, all participating kindergarten students will receive breakfast at no charge. Milk with a cold lunch is not part of the free and reduced program. Milk is 50 cents when purchased separately. A separate application must be submitted each year. All meals served meet nutritional standards established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. If a child has been determined by a physician to have a disability and the disability prevents the child from eating the regular meal, we will make modifications or substitutions prescribed by the physician at no additional charge. The rules established by the Federal/State Lunch Program require the District to charge a higher rate for a second lunch. Students in grades 7-12 may purchase a second lunch for \$3.50. Milk is available free-of-charge for all children who want to participate in kindergarten milk break.

### Instructions for Completing the Application for Educational Benefits

Complete the *Application for Educational Benefits* form for school year 2020-21 if any of the following apply to your household:

- Any household member currently participates in the *Minnesota Family Investment Program* (MFIP), or the *Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program* (SNAP), or the *Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations* (FDPIR), or
- The household includes foster children (a welfare agency or court has legal responsibility for the child), or
- Total household income (gross earnings, not take-home pay) is within the guidelines shown below (gross earnings before deductions, not take-home pay). Do not include as income: foster care payments, federal education benefits, MFIP payments, or value of assistance received from SNAP, WIC, or FDPIR. Military: Do not include combat pay or assistance from the Military Privatized Housing Initiative. The income guidelines are effective from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

#### Maximum Total Income

Household Size	\$ Per Year	\$ Per Month	\$ Twice Per Month	\$ Per 2 Weeks	\$ Per Week
1	23,606	1,968	984	908	454
2	31,894	2,658	1,329	1,227	614
3	40,182	3,349	1,675	1,546	773
4	48,470	4,040	2,020	1,865	933
5	56,758	4,730	2,365	2,183	1,092
6	65,046	5,421	2,711	2,502	1,251
7	73,334	6,112	3,056	2,821	1,411
8	81,622	6,802	3,401	3,140	1,570
Add per person	8,288	691	346	319	160

**Step 1: Children and Foster Status** List all infants and children in the household, their school and grade if applicable, and birthdate. Attach an additional page if needed to list all children. Check the box if a child is in foster care (a welfare agency or court has legal responsibility for the child).

**Step 2: Case Number** Complete Step 2 if any household member currently participates in one of the programs listed in that section. If Step 2 is completed, skip Step 3 (adult names and incomes).

**Step 3: Adults / Incomes / Last 4 Digits of Social Security Number**

- An adult household member must provide the last four digits of their Social Security number or check the box if they do not have a Social Security number. Report the total number of household members and ensure all household members are listed individually on the application in the child or adult section as applicable.
- Regular incomes to children – If any children in the household have regular income, such as SSI or part-time jobs, list the total amount of regular incomes received by all children and check the box for frequency. Do not include occasional earnings like babysitting or lawn mowing.
- List all adults living in the household not listed in Step 1, whether related or not, such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends. Include any adult who is temporarily away from home, like a student away at college. Attach another page if necessary.
- List gross incomes before deductions, not take-home pay. Do not list an hourly wage rate. For adults with no income to report, enter a '0' or leave the section blank. This is your certification (promise) that there is no income to report for these adults. For seasonal work, write in the total annual income.
- For each income, check the box to show how often the income is received: each week, every other week, twice per month, or monthly.
- For farm or self-employment income only, list the net income per year or month after business expenses. A loss from farm or self-employment must be listed as 0 income and does not reduce other income.
- List all other gross income before deductions from other sources, including unemployment, child support, etc.
- **Step 4: Signature and Contact Information** An adult household member must sign the form. If you do not want your information to be shared with Minnesota Health Care Programs, check the "Don't share" box.
- **Optional:** Please provide the information on ethnicity and race that is requested on the second page of the form. This information is not required and does not affect approval for school meal benefits. The information helps to make sure we are meeting civil rights requirements and fully serving our community.

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

**Who can get free school meals?** Children in households participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), and foster, homeless, migrant and runaway children can get free school meals without reporting household income. Or children can get free school meals if their household income is within the maximum income shown for their household size on the instructions. To apply for full school meals, please complete The Application for Educational Benefits form.

**I get WIC or Medical Assistance. Can my children get free school meals?** Children in households participating in WIC or Medical Assistance may be eligible for free school meals, but do not automatically qualify. Please fill out an application.

**Who should I include as household members?** Include yourself and all other people living in the household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends).

**May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen?** Yes. You or your children do not have to be U.S. citizens for your children to qualify for free or reduced-price school meals.

**What if my income is not always the same?** List the amount that you normally get. If you normally get overtime, include it, but not if you get overtime only sometimes. For seasonal work, write in the total annual income.

**Will the information or case number I give be checked?** It may be, and we may also ask you to send written proof.

**How will the information be kept?** Information you provide on the form, and your child's approval for school meal benefits, will be protected as private data. For more information see the back page of the Application for Educational Benefits.

**If I don't qualify now, may I apply later?** Yes. Please complete an application at any time if your income goes down, your household size goes up, or you start getting SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR benefits.

Please provide the information requested about children's racial identity and ethnicity, which helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. This information is not required for approval of school meal benefits.

*If you have additional questions or need help, please contact Tracie Erickson, Food Service Administrative Assistant, at 763.972.3365, ext. 1917. We will notify you when your application is approved or denied.*





## 2020-21 Application for Educational Benefits

Complete one application per household for all children. Please use pen (not a pencil). **Mail or return completed form to: (School/District Information)** \_\_\_\_\_

**STEP 1: List ALL Household Members who are infants, children, and students up to and including grade 12 (if more spaces are required for additional names, attach another sheet of paper).**

**Definition:** A Household Member is "Anyone living with you and shares income and expenses, even if not related." Children in Foster care are eligible for free meals. Read *How to Complete the Application for Educational Benefits* for more information. Adults over grade 12 living in the same household should be reported in Step 3. If your children attend different districts or charter/nonpublic schools, return an application at each one.

Child's First Name (list all children in household)	MI	Child's Last Name	School	Grade	Birthdate	Foster Child (v)
						<input type="checkbox"/>
						<input type="checkbox"/>
						<input type="checkbox"/>
						<input type="checkbox"/>

**STEP 2:** Do Any Household Members (including you) currently participate in one or more of the following assistance programs: SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR? Medical assistance **does not** qualify. **IF NO** > Go to STEP 3.

If **YES** > Enter SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR Case Number (between 4-9 digits, do not report EBT card number) \_\_\_\_\_ then go to STEP 4 (Do not complete STEP 3)

**STEP 3:** Report Income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered 'Yes' to STEP 2)

A. Last Four Digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of Adult Household Member: XXX-XX-☐☐☐☐ Or Check if Adult has No SSN: ☐ Total Number of All Household Members (Children + Adults) ☐

B. Child Income.

Sometimes children in the household earn or receive income, such as from a part time job or SSI. Please include the TOTAL income received by all children listed in STEP 1. Do not include income received by adults in the box to the right.

Total Income Received by All Children	Weekly	Bi-weekly	2x Month	Monthly
\$	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

C. All Adult Household Members (including yourself). For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total gross income only. If they do not receive income from any source, write '0' or leave any fields blank. You are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report. Not sure what income to include here? Flip the page and review "Sources of Income" for information. "Sources of Income" will help you with the Child Income section and All Adult Household Members section.

Names of All Adult Household Members (First and Last)
List all Household members not listed in STEP 1 (including yourself) even if they do not receive income. Include children who are temporarily away at school or in college.

Gross Earnings from Working at Jobs			
Weekly	Bi-weekly	2x Month	Monthly
<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"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Are you Self-Employed or a Farmer?		Net income from Farm or Self-Employment. Do not duplicate elsewhere.
Monthly	Yearly	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$

Any Other Gross Income				
Weekly	Bi-weekly	2x Month	Monthly	SSI, Unemployment, Public Assistance, Child Support, and others on Page 2
<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"/>	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$

**STEP 4: Contact information and adult signature.** "I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that this information is given in connection with the receipt of Federal funds, and that school officials may verify (check) the information. I am aware that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted under applicable State and Federal laws."

☐ I have checked this box if I do not want my information shared with Minnesota Health Care Program as allowed by state law.

<b>Do Not Fill Out: For School Office Use</b> Conversions to Annualize All Income:		X1	X12	X24	X26	X52
<b>All Total Income</b> (include child and adult income)		Annualize	Monthly	2X Month	Bi-weekly	Weekly
\$		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Determining Official Signature:</b>		<b>Household Size:</b>		<b>Date:</b>		
<b>Confirming Official Signature:</b>		<b>Household Size:</b>		<b>Date:</b>		

Printed name of adult signing form \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address (if available) \_\_\_\_\_ Apt# \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGN HERE: Signature of Household Adult** \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**OPTIONAL: Children's Racial and Ethnic Identities**

We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals. Respond to both Step One, *Ethnicity* and Step Two, *Race*.

**Step One: Ethnicity (check one):** ☐ Hispanic or Latino ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

**Step Two: Race (check one or more):** ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ☐ White

**INSTRUCTIONS: Sources of Income**

**Sources of Income for Children**

Sources of Child Income	Examples
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Earnings from work</li><li>Social Security<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Disability Payments</li><li>b. Survivor's Benefits</li></ul></li><li>Income from person outside the household</li><li>Income from any other source</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A child has a regular full or part-time job where they earn a salary or wages</li><li>A child is blind or disabled and receives Social Security</li><li>A Parent is disabled, retired, or deceased, and their child receives Social Security benefits</li><li>A friend or extended family member regularly gives a child spending money</li><li>A child receives regular income from a private pension fund, annuity, or trust</li></ul>

**Sources of Income for Adults**

Earnings from Work	Public Assistance / Alimony / Child Support	All Other Income
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Salary, wages, cash bonuses (before deductions or taxes)</li><li>Net income from self-employment (farm or business)</li><li>If you are in the U.S. Military:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Basic pay and cash bonuses (do NOT include combat pay, FSSA or privatized housing allowances)</li><li>b. Allowances for off-base housing, food and clothing</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Cash Assistance from State or local government</li><li>Supplemental Security Income</li><li>Unemployment benefits</li><li>Worker's compensation</li><li>Alimony payments</li><li>Child support payments</li><li>Veteran's benefits</li><li>Strike benefits</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Social Security</li><li>Disability benefits</li><li>Regular income from trusts or estates</li><li>Annuities</li><li>Investment income</li><li>Rental income</li><li>Regular cash payments from outside household</li></ul>

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, 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 adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of 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.

At public school districts, each student's school meal status also is recorded on a statewide computer system used to report student data to MDE as required by state law. MDE uses this information to: (1) Administer state and federal programs, (2) Calculate compensatory revenue for public schools, and (3) Judge the quality of the state's educational program.

**Nondiscrimination statement:** 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, you have two options: 1. Complete the [USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form](#), (AD-3027) found online at [Filing a Program Discrimination Complaint as a USDA Customer](#), [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html) and at any USDA office; or, 2. Write a letter addressed to USDA; 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 one of the following methods:

(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](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

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# Policies and Notices

## ***Equal employment opportunity***

It is the school district's policy to provide equal employment opportunity for all applicants and employees. The school district does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status with regard to public assistance, disability, sexual orientation, age, family care leave status, or veteran status.

## ***Disability nondiscrimination policy***

The school district shall not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities, because of the disabilities of such individuals, in regard to job application procedures, hiring, advancement, discharge, compensation, job training and other terms, conditions, and privileges of employment.

## ***Background check information***

This provision requires that at the beginning of each school year, or when a student enrolls in a new school, the school hiring authority must notify the parents and/or guardians of the student about the school hiring authority's policy requiring a criminal history background check on employees and other individuals who provide services to the school. Identification of those positions subject to a background check and the extent of the hiring authority's discretion in requiring a background check must be included.

## ***Weapons policy***

No student or non-student, including adults and visitors, shall possess, use or distribute a weapon when in a school location except as provided in policy. The school district will act to enforce this policy and to discipline or take appropriate action against any student, teacher, administrator, school employee, volunteer, or member of the public who violates this policy. Licensed police officers are exempt from this policy.

## ***Enrollment of non-resident students***

The deadline to apply for open enrollment is Jan. 15 of the year prior to the start of school. The school board may limit open enrollment. For further information, please contact the superintendent's office at 763.972.3365, ext. 1911.

## ***Student records***

The school district recognizes its responsibility in regard to the collection, maintenance, and dissemination of pupil records and protection of the privacy rights of students as provided in state and federal law. Detailed information can be found at [www.delano.k12.mn.us](http://www.delano.k12.mn.us). Click on district, superintendent's office, and then school board policies.

## ***Facility usage***

The school board recognizes that all school facilities, both indoor and outdoor, belong to school district residents and encourages the responsible use of school district facilities by individuals and groups. The Delano Community Education program has been designated to manage the use of school facilities during non-school hours. Scheduling arrangements can be made by calling 763.972.3365, ext. 1201.

## ***Notification of asbestos***

Delano Public Schools has a stringent inspection and management program for all asbestos containing building materials. As a matter of policy, the district will maintain a safe and healthful environment for our community's youth and employees. Every three years, all buildings owned and leased by the district are re-inspected by an EPA-accredited inspector for asbestos content. Every six months, all materials containing asbestos are surveyed. Any materials needing repair or removal are addressed under our asbestos operation and maintenance program safely and responsibly.

Delano Public Schools has a list of locations and types of asbestos containing materials found in our buildings. Past response action in-

cluded removal of asbestos tile and pipe wrap. Planned asbestos activities include removal of additional asbestos-containing pipe wrap and asbestos tile. A copy of the asbestos management plan is available for review in the district office. The district will charge reasonable costs to make copies of the management plan. Questions should be directed to Matt LaBeau, Building and Grounds Coordinator, at 763.972.3365, ext. 1903.

## ***Indoor air quality***

Delano Public Schools is proud to take a leadership role in providing a safe, comfortable and productive environment for our students and staff so that we achieve our core mission of educating students. Our school will follow the EPA guidelines to improve our indoor air quality (IAQ) by preventing as many IAQ problems as possible, and by quickly responding to any IAQ problems that may arise. Good indoor air quality requires an ongoing commitment by everyone in our school because each of us makes daily decisions and performs activities that affect the quality of the air we breathe. Each room in every building will be evaluated for indoor air quality. Teachers, building engineers and administrators will be trained on IAQ factors. Our IAQ Coordinator, Matt LaBeau, will follow up on any IAQ problems you may have. LaBeau has agreed to administer the IAQ Management Plan, which includes taking a team leadership role, coordinating emergency response, and serving as our information resource on IAQ. LaBeau may be contacted at 763.972.3365, ext. 1903.

## ***Use of pest control materials***

A Minnesota state law requires that schools inform parents and guardians if they apply certain pesticides on school property. State law also requires that parents and guardians be told that the long-term health effects on children from the application of such pesticides or the class of chemicals to which they belong may not be fully understood. Delano Public Schools does not apply pesticides on school property unless all other measures have failed to control the problem. In the event that insect control sprays and dusts need to be applied, it will only be done when students are absent from the area, and will be out of the area until any spray and any odor has dissipated. If you would like to be notified prior to a chemical application, please contact Matt LaBeau, Building and Grounds Coordinator, at 763.972.3365, ext. 1903.

## ***Allergy alert***

Approximately one out of every 125 children have a peanut allergy in the United States. Allergies to peanuts, shellfish, and eggs, along with other allergies, have increased in the last decade. Since schools cannot guarantee a food-safe environment, upon request the school district will take measures to minimize the risk of an exposure. The district will provide a "food allergy aware" environment for a student with a known food allergy, without banning the food product at school. Our goal is to keep all students safe!

## ***Health insurance may be available***

Does your child have health insurance? If not, help may be available. Minnesota Health Care Programs have free and low-cost health insurance for children and families who qualify. Your child may qualify if your household income is below the thresholds listed in the table below.

Income is one factor in qualifying. Other rules and limits apply. For more information, call your county office or visit <http://mn.gov/dhs/people-we-serve/adults/health-care>. The income limits here are valid until June 30, 2021.

To get a MNsure application for health coverage and help paying costs:

- Print one from

<http://mn.gov/dhs/people-we-serve/adults/health-care>

- Call 877-KIDS-NOW toll free

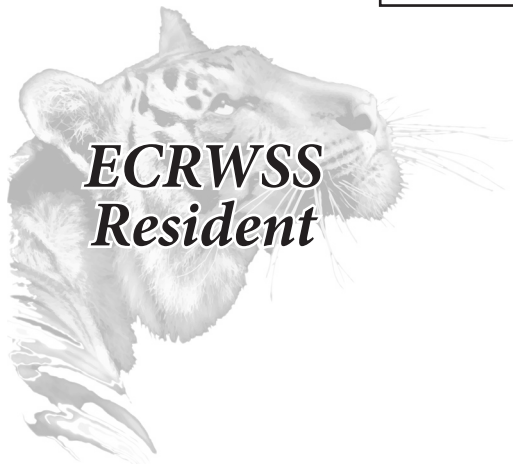
• Call Wright County Human Services at 763.682.7400 or Hennepin County Human Services at 612.596.1300.

Family size	Monthly income	Yearly income
2	\$ 3,950	\$ 47,410
3	\$ 4,977	\$ 59,730
4	\$ 6,004	\$ 72,050
5	\$ 7,030	\$ 84,370



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## ***Educational Excellence is Our Foremost Goal***

### **Schoen**

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#### **Precautionary measures**

The school district has taken extensive measures to provide for a safe learning environment. These include changes to our physical school buildings, cleaning procedures, personal protective equipment, as well as plans to educate our students and staff members on proper health practices.

As I mentioned above, the successful implementation of our plan relies on the cooperation of all our stakeholders. This will be abundantly evident when we begin school and begin safely transporting our students to and from our buildings.

You will notice some major changes with our traffic patterns on campus. Basically, we are attempting to eliminate left-hand turns on campus due to the anticipated higher volume of vehicles that will be

entering and exiting our campus, both in the morning and the afternoon.

This will require some logistical planning on the part of our parents and other drivers to be patient and cooperate with the new traffic plan that will be implemented during pick-up and drop-off times this coming school year.

**‘We are  
committed to the  
continuation of  
educational  
excellence.’**

Finally, there has been an extensive amount of work that has gone into designing our Return to School Plan. Please take the time to visit our website and read through the district’s plan, along with separate school and program plans as well. We are committed the continuation of educational excellence in these very unusual times.

## **Delano School Board Five candidates on November ballot**

The filing period for the Delano School Board closed on Aug. 11, and five people have stepped forward as candidates in the Nov. 3 general election.

Four individuals are running for three available four-year seats. They are Jim Gierke, Amy Johnson, Regina Lupton and Sue Roeser.

Rachel Depa is unopposed

for a two-year seat.

Three of the five are current members of the board. They are Johnson, Roeser and Depa.

Our thanks to each of these individuals who have indicated a willingness to serve the students, staff and families of Delano Public Schools!

**For details about the  
reopening of school, see the  
Return to School Plan online at  
[bit.ly/DPSBackToSchool](http://bit.ly/DPSBackToSchool)**