



How to Receive MCPS Emergency Information

MCPS QuickNotes

Receive emergency announcements, as well as other school news and information, via email through MCPS QuickNotes. Sign up at www.mcpsquicknotes.org. Information is available in six languages.

Alert MCPS

Alert MCPS provides information about major changes in school system operations via text messages delivered to devices you register, such as cell phones, smart phones, and pagers. Signing up for Alert MCPS is free, but check with your wireless provider about charges associated with text messages. Messages are provided in English and Spanish. Parents and staff can also sign up to receive messages for specific MCPS schools. This service would be used for situations that affect one or a small number of schools, such as a power outage. Sign up at <http://alert.montgomerycountymd.gov/>.

Twitter

A Twitter account allows you to follow MCPS updates, including emergency messages, on your computer, cell phone, or mobile device. Go to <http://twitter.com/mcps> to follow MCPS or to create an account.

MCPS Website

Changes in school operations due to weather conditions or other emergencies are posted on the MCPS website at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org. Messages are posted in English and Spanish.

Recorded Information Line

To hear a recorded message about changes in school operations in English and Spanish, call 301-279-3673.

MCPS TV

Emergency messages, news about MCPS, coverage of Board of Education meetings, and more, are provided on Comcast Cable Ch. 34, Verizon Ch. 36, and RCN Ch. 89. For more info, visit www.mcpstv.org.

TV and Radio: Local Stations

Tune in to local TV and radio stations for news about changes in school operations due to weather conditions or other emergencies.

Make sure that your school has your current contact information (e-mail address and home, work, and cell phone numbers), so that you can be reached in an emergency.

NOTE: MCPS will no longer post closing messages on School's Out (www.schoolsout.com)

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