

# How to Receive MCPS Emergency Information

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## **QuickNotes**

To receive emergency announcements, sign up for QuickNotes at [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org). Subscribers also will receive a free monthly e-newsletter with useful information on programs and activities for students, and opportunities for parents to get involved. All information is available in six languages.

## **Alert MCPS**

Alert MCPS provides you with emergency information about school operations via text messages (i.e. SMS text or email messages) to devices you register, such as cell phones, smart phones, and pagers. Signing up for Alert MCPS is free, but your wireless carrier may charge you a fee to receive text messages. Weather-related messages are sent in English and Spanish. Sign up at <https://alert.montgomerycountymd.gov>. This service is part of Alert Montgomery, provided by the Montgomery County government.

## **Twitter**

A Twitter account allows you to follow MCPS updates on your computer or on your cell or other mobile device. Twitter updates include emergency messages and other school system news. Sign up at [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com)

## **MCPS Web**

Log on to [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org) for changes in school operations due to weather conditions or other emergencies. Messages are posted in English and Spanish.

## **Recorded Information Line**

For a recorded message on changes in school operations due to weather and other emergencies, call 301-279-3673.

## **MCPS Cable TV**

Emergency messages, news about MCPS, coverage of Board of Education meetings, and more are provided on Comcast Cable Ch. 34, Verizon FIOS Ch. 36, and RCN Ch. 89.

## **MCPS Newsfeed**

Receive alerts and news on your computer by signing up at: <http://stage.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/info/newsfeed/>

## **TV and Radio: Local Stations**

Tune in to local TV and radio stations for information.

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