

SARGENT PARK SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

Welcome back to Sargent Park School and to our new families, we are excited to have you join us! We hope that your summer created many beautiful memories. Everyone is relaxed and well rested and ready to begin an eventful and successful school year.

The sights and sounds of learning are well underway as we completed our first week and a half of the 2022-23 school year. It has been a pleasure for both of us to already be meeting families and your precious children. Thank you to everyone for making us feel very welcome. We look forward to meeting many of you at the Meet the Staff night, on Thursday, September 15th. Grade 1-6 students are meeting in their classrooms from 5:30-6:30pm, Grade 7 students are meeting in the MPR (Room 74), Grade 8 students in Room 121, and Grade 9 students in Room 2 from 6:00-7:00 pm. This will be the first time in a few years that you are welcome into the school to see the classrooms, the gymnasiums, the hallways, the option classes and some of our impressive new lockers!

We hope you will join us.

Please help us welcome our new staff: Ms. Lunney (Nursery), Ms. White (Gr.1), Ms. Marin (Gr.1), Ms. Misiak (Gr.5), Mr. Masesar (Gr.7-9 Phys Ed), Ms. LaPlante (Resource), Mr. Medina (Gr.7-9 Electronics), Ms. Keri (clerk), Ms. Shelley (clerk/EA), Ms. Shauna(EA), Ms. Wendy (EA), Ms. Jennifer (EA), and Ms. Hillary (EA).

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our custodians who worked tirelessly over the summer to ensure that everything was cleaned and sparkling, ready to go for the start of school. As well, thank you to our clerks and teachers who worked hard preparing over the weeks leading up to the first day of school to ensure that everything was organized, and provided a welcoming environment in the office, classrooms and hallways. Thank you to Cass, our lunch program coordinator who ensured that everything was up and running successfully for the first day of school. We have quite a team at Sargent Park!

The joint efforts between home and school continue to drive our student learning. You are encouraged to contact your child's teachers whenever necessary and they will keep you informed as well. Please take the time to read our school's monthly newsletters, messages you receive on Seesaw or Google Classroom, and the pamphlets that we sent home recently. Communication between home and school is essential!

Sargent Park offers a variety of opportunities for students. In addition to our strong academic programs, we are already enjoying the return of cross-country and volleyball, visual and performing arts, art, music, band, guitar, dance, choir, athletics, French and Spanish. These programs will continue to enrich the lives of our students and enable them to explore new experiences and develop new skills. We plan to continue to encourage our students to be involved in their school

ONCE A FLAME, ALWAYS A FLAME!

We look forward to a year of learning, succeeding and having fun!

Sincerely, Mrs. Morris & Mr. Buller



Sargent Park School September 15th

MEET THE TEACHER

ELEMENTARY - 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Gr. 1-6 teachers are in their classrooms

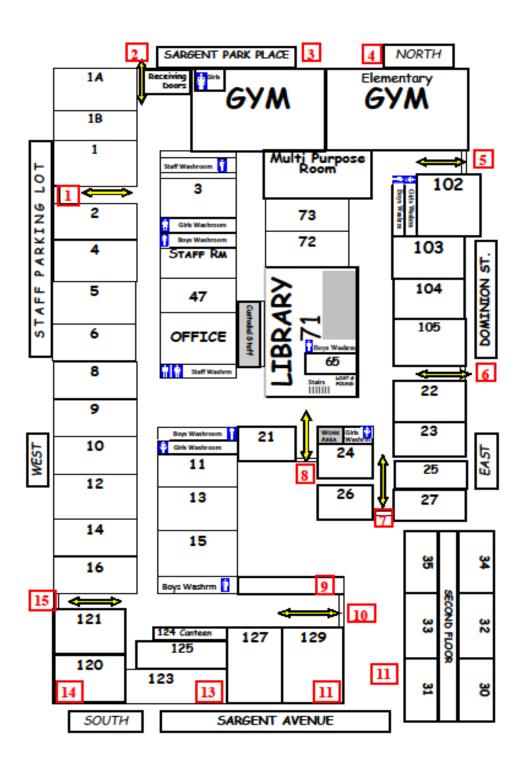
JUNIOR HIGH - 6:00-7:00 p.m.

*Families please meet your child's team in the following Locations at 6:00 for a formal presentation. After the presentations, you can visit various classrooms.

> Gr. 7 teachers in the MPR Gr. 8 teachers in Room 121 Gr. 9 teachers in Room 2

> > **Classroom Map on back**

Sargent Park Door Map





SCHOOL MESSENGER STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Download the App today!

School Messenger allows parents/guardians to report student absences, late arrivals, early departures and vacations by phone, web or smartphone app. Parents/guardians will report all absences through **School Messenger before 9:00 AM** and will not receive a phone call from the school.

For safety reasons, in the event of an unexplained student absence, the system will communicate with parents in a timely manner.

There are three ways to report an absence:



Phone:

Parents/guardians can call the toll free number; listen carefully to all the options, choose the appropriate absence and reason; wait for confirmation number.



Internet:

Parents/guardians can log into the website:

https://go.schoolmessenger.ca and sign up using the email address on file at Sargent Park School and a password of your choosing. Absences, late arrivals, early departures and vacations can be reported.



iPhone or Android device:

If you would like to use an app on your smart phone:

- 1. Download the free app through the App Store or Google Play; search School Messenger; install the blue app and sign up using the email address on file at Sargent Park School and a password of your choosing.
- 2. Absences, late arrivals, early departures and vacations can be reported.

Absences must be reported to School Messenger no later than 9:00 am on the day of the absence.

Communication (



Any questions or comments should be directed immediately to the classroom/subject teacher. A telephone call to the teacher or a meeting with the subject area or classroom teacher may quickly clarify situations and be very beneficial for each student.

Communication is key. Positive feedback, program supports, additional help and regular updates are essential to each student's progress and achievement.

Please communicate any information with your child prior to the school day. We are not able to

have the student come to the office to accept phone calls as this is very disruptive to the whole class.



Are you receiving our emails?

Sargent Park School communicates by email. Special events, attendance, school information, and newsletters are among some of the information the school sends by email. If you aren't receiving this information in your email please contact the school to update or provide your email address.

SafeArrival

SafeArrival is Sargent Park's absence reporting system for students in grades Nursery to 9. Parents will phone 1-855-278-4513 BEFORE 9:00 am to report absences of any nature, early dismissals and late arrivals. This automated service will call the contacts of students who are marked absent

Student attendance is important! Consistent attendance is an essential component of a student's success. Commitment to school attendance not only sets a positive tone for all students, but also helps them to efficiently manage their time, meet assignment deadlines, and develop good work habits. <u>Please note,</u> <u>students cannot leave the school during</u> <u>school hours on their own. A parent/ guardian must pick them up from the office and sign them out.</u>

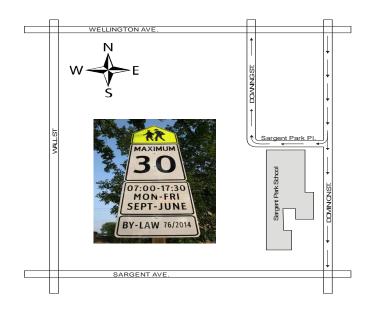
SAFETY FIRST

School Drop Off and Pick Up

A reminder to all families that it is illegal to stop in the bus zone on Dominion Street, and to double park on the street during drop off or pick up times. We ask that all families park their cars in legal spots to assure the safety of our students. A reminder that the parking authorities will be issuing tickets to cars violating parking regulations. Choose safety over convenience, please.

http://theparkingstore.winnipeg.ca/ theparkingstore/care/schoolzone.stm





Safety of our students is a priority at Sargent Park School, and we would like to make you and your children aware of some of the hazards around the school. In order to help keep our students safe, and minimize traffic congestion, we are asking those who drive their children to school to approach the school from Wellington Avenue on Dominion Street towards Sargent Avenue. Those who drop off **Elementary** students would continue to Sargent Avenue, and those who drop off **Junior/Senior High** students would turn right (West) on Sargent Park Place to then turn right onto Downing, travelling North towards Wellington Avenue.

A reminder that the **speed limit** around school zones is 30 km per hour from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. There is signage indicating the speed limit at the Sargent and Dominion intersection. Please think safety when driving through school zones.

Bell Schedule

Elementary

8:50 a.m.	Enter school
9:00 a.m.	O Canada/
	Announcements
10:40-10:55 a.m.	Recess
11:30 a.m.	N/K dismissal
11:45-12:40 p.m.	Jr/Sr High Lunch Break
12:00 noon	Gr. 1-6 dismissal
12:45 p.m.	Adult supervision on
	school grounds
12:55 p.m.	Elementary students enter
	school
2:05-2:20 p.m.	Recess
3:30 p.m.	Dismissal for all students

Once a Flame... Always a Flame

Dismissal

It is expected that students will go directly home or to a designated supervised location at dismissal time. Please have a 3:30 p.m. plan for your children in case your regular routine changes.

Health Concerns



If your child has any health concerns, for example, an EPIPEN, puffer, or medication, please inform the office so we can be prepared to act promptly if required. Parents who wish the school to administer medication must get a form from the school office for their doctor to complete. All medication is to be left in the school office. It is the parent's responsibility to refill prescriptions and to notify the office if there is a change in the medication.

Cell Phones and Electronic Devices

Cell phones and all personal electronic devices are not to be used in the school and should be locked in each student's locker for students up to and including grade 6. When possible, we ask that these items not be brought to school and remain safely at home. Students in grades 7, 8, and 9 will follow the Winnipeg School Division's Bring Your Own Device expectations

Newsletter Information

The monthly newsletter contains information about the school including a monthly calendar of school events. The newsletter will be emailed to the email identified on your Student Information Form on the last day of each month and is also posted on our website. The student handbook also gives you pertinent information about Sargent Park School.

Junior/Senior High

8:50 a.m.	Jr/Sr High students enter school
9:00 a.m.	O Canada/Announcements
11:45 a.m.	Jr/Sr High lunch starts
12:40 p.m.	Jr/Sr High students enter school
12:45 p.m.	Jr/Sr High classes start
3:30 p.m.	Dismissal

Patrols

8:40- 8:55 a.m.	Patrols on Duty
12:00-12:10 p.m.	Patrols on Duty
12:45-12:55 p.m.	Patrols on Duty
3:30- 3:45 p.m.	Patrols on Duty

Please impress upon your children the importance of crossing the street with the patrols. Our students patrol at the intersections of Sargent and Dominion, Sargent Park Place and Dominion, and at Wellington and Dominion.

School Arrival

Children should arrive five minutes before bell times which are 8:50 a.m. and 12:55 p.m. If students are late, they must enter through Door 1 (parking lot doors) to be directed to their classroom. Junior high students should arrive at 8:50 AM and 12:40 PM to enter the school with their teacher. If students are late, they must enter through Door 1 (parking lot doors) to be directed to their classroom.

IMPORTANT DATES

Our newsletters will continue to be sent home electronically at the end of each month to the email address identified on the *Student Description form* for the Parent/Legal Guardian. <u>Please make sure</u> the email information and ALL the information provided on the Student Description form is correct. It is imperative the Student Description form information is kept up to date and accurate. Electronic copies of the newsletter allow you to access our newsletter at any time, provide you to view the pictures in colour and also eliminate over 100,000 pieces of paper copies in the landfill, thus contributing to our goal of sustainability. The newsletter can also be viewed on our website at:

http://www.winnipegsd.ca/schools/sargentpark

Non-Instructional Days No Classes		<u>Statutory/School Holidays</u> <u>No Classes</u>	
Tuesday Monday Friday Friday Friday Friday Friday Friday	Sept. 6, 2022 Sept. 19, 2022 Oct. 21, 2022 Nov. 18, 2022 Jan. 13, 2023 Feb. 3, 2023 Mar 17, 2023	September 30, 2022 October 10, 2022 November 11, 2022 December 22, 2022 to January 4, 2023 February 20, 2023	National Day of Reconciliation Thanksgiving Remembrance Day Winter Break Louis Riel Day
Friday Monday Friday	Apr. 14, 2023 May 1, 2023 Jun. 26, 2023	March 27, 2023 to March 31, 2023 April 7, 2023 May 22, 2023	Spring Break Good Friday Victoria Day
		<u>Last Day of School</u> Friday, June 30, 2023	

SEPTEMBER 2022

Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	Thursday	Friday
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5 Labour Day	6 Day 1 School Opens Non- Instructional No Classes	7 Day 2	8 Day 3	9 Day 4
12 Day 5	13 Day 6 <u>1st Assembly</u> 9:05 Gr 1-6 11:15 Gr 7-9	14 Day 1 Cross Country Meet - Kildonan Park	15 Day 2 Meet the Staff Night	16 Day 3
19 Day 4 Non- Instructional No Classes	20 Day 5	21 Day 6 Cross Country Meet - Churchill High School	22 Day 1	23 Day 2
26 Day 3	27 Day 4	28 Day 5 Orange Shirt Day National Day for Truth and Recognition Cross Country Meet - Old Exhibition Grounds	29 Day 6 PICTURE DAY Bring your smile!	30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation No Classes