



Rockford Public Schools

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Welcome to Rockford Public Schools and thank you for your interest in our district. It is recognized you have a choice in where you pursue an education for your child and we are honored to have been a consideration in your process.

It is expected you will have questions as far as what to anticipate as the summer moves toward our **first day of school on August 21, 2023**. Please note, our buildings are not staffed until the month of August and, therefore, a district representative will be unable to directly answer your questions until then. In hopes of addressing a few common topics, we have provided the below explanations to some of our frequently asked questions. If your question is not addressed below, please contact your child's building the second week in August. In addition, please refer to page 2 for Open House dates and times.

All incoming Developmental Kindergarten and Kindergarten students are required to be screened. After your student's enrollment is approved, a district representative will provide you with the screening sign-up scheduled for August 9. Children with a birthdate between September 2, 2018, and December 1, 2018, will require an [age waiver](#) in order to be enrolled in school. Children with a birthdate of December 2, 2018 or after are not eligible to enroll for the 2023-2024 school year.

DK-5th Grades Teacher Assignment – Available on [Family Access](#) the week of August 7.

6th-8th Grades Schedule - You will be contacted the second week of August regarding student schedule and elective choices.

9th Grade Transcript - A transcript or 8th grade report card from your child's previous school is required for placement and schedule assignment. Please email your child's transcript to [Betsy Connor](mailto:Betsy.Connor@rockfordschools.org) at Bconnor@rockfordschools.org.

10th-12th Grades Transcript – A transcript from your child's previous school is required for placement and schedule assignment. Please email your child's transcript to [Stephani Lamancusa](mailto:Stephani.Lamancusa@rockfordschools.org) at lamancusa@rockfordschools.org.

9th-12th Grades Schedule - Available at the New Student Meeting or Orientation of which the date and time will be communicated with you by district personnel.

Bus Schedule – In the middle to end of July you will receive an email directing you to sign your child up for bus transportation services. *The tentative schedule will be available on [Family Access](#) the week of August 7.* Please check your child's bus schedule on August 20 for the most up-to-date information.

Medication - If your child has a medical diagnosis and/or requires medication at school, please [click here](#) and print the appropriate form. *Please note the required health provider signatures stated on each form.* The form must be completed and in possession of your child's school prior to any medication utilization at school. All medication must be in the original container and dropped off by a parent or guardian. Please click [here](#) for information regarding the administration of medication at school.

The first day of school is August 21, 2023