

Update 5: September 14th, 2020

For the Good of the Group:

Website:

Be sure to keep an eye out on the Fuel Ed website for additional information:
<https://www.mssd14.org/cms/one.aspx?portalId=57448&pageId=28494188>

Food Assistance:

Free Breakfast and Lunch for all students until winter break in December. Meals can be picked up Monday-Friday that school is open at 11:00 am at both Manitou Springs Elementary School and Ute Pass Elementary School.

Social Emotional Supports:

Each school's counselors and the district social workers have made an introduction video. Please feel free to contact them if you or your student need support in this area. This and other supports can be found on the district website under the Fuel Ed tab.

<https://www.mssd14.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=57448&pageId=28797774>

Survey:

We are interested in learning more about the experiences of students, staff, and parents/guardians as we are coming to the end of the third week of the school year. The information shared will be used to inform our continuous cycle of growth and improvement.

We ask that you complete the survey by *Wednesday, September 16, 2020*.

Here is the link: <https://forms.gle/yjFxU5NcjiE1mjL9>

Update Meeting:

The next virtual meeting will be Wednesday, September 16, 2020 from 5:00-6:00 pm via Zoom.

Here is the link: Join Zoom

Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89503158093>

K5 Families:

Materials:

Our K12/Fuel Ed partners have informed us that all remaining Materials will arrive on or before September 22nd.

Connect14 Classes:

Connect 14 Classes will begin October 6th ONLINE for the month of October. Registration opens on the 17th of September and closes on the 5th of October.

Check out www.connect14.com for more information.

6-12 Families

Career and College Readiness Assessments:

September 23rd

Current 12th Graders:

SAT

Current 11th Graders:

ACT Career Readiness Assessment

Contact the Counseling Center with Questions

685-2067

Athletic Information:

The HS Athletics Department has made a connection video for students. Please check them out on the webpage.

<https://www.mssd14.org/cms/one.aspx?portalId=57448&pageId=2849418>

The 6-12 Performing Arts Team is working on a video for next week. Stay Tuned!

College info:

FREE Virtual College Fair Week for ALL Colorado students.

When: 5th-9th of October

Where: Online, register at <https://form.jotform.com/201895923811157>

Who: Over 70 colleges and universities from in state and out of state schools.

Scholarships: They will be raffling off 5 separate \$500 scholarships for students who register to attend our virtual fair. Registering now

at <https://form.jotform.com/201895923811157>

Laptops:

The Tech Team is readying the devices for our 8th-12th graders.

- Thursday, September 17—Cohort 2 Distribution to 10th, 11th, and 12thgrade students. This includes our students who are learning via FuelED. More information will be provided to families.
- Monday, September 21—Cohort 1 Distribution to 10th, 11th, and 12thgrade students. This includes our students who are learning via FuelED.
- Monday, September 21—Preschool-2ndGrade Distribution (at both UPES and MSES) of iPads.
- The final shipment should be received soon. As soon as those devices are received and readied, we'll send out additional communication related to the distribution for 8th and 9th grade students.
- This device is a shift for our teachers also, so the Wednesday Staff Day will allow for some professional development time with this new instructional technology. While a laptop is not a new technology, our students using them daily in their classes will be new. We are excited about this opportunity for our students and staff.
- Thank you, Tech Team!

Tech Supports

UPES: Cat Olimb colimb@mssd14.org

MSES: Agnes Navaratne anavaratne@mssd14.org

MSMS: Mallory Susen msusen@mssd14.org

MSHS: Gabrielle Waters gwaters@mssd14.org

Building Mentors

UPES: Eric Wester ewester@mssd14.org

MSES: Kristen Kanaga kkanaga@mssd14.org

MSMS: Barak Ben-Amots bbenamots@mssd14.org

MSHS: Ben Gilliam bgilliam@mssd14.org

Academic support Program:

Starting the week of September 7th

Every Tuesday and Thursday math support will be offered to students

Mr. Hass Math Support Geometry-Calculus

Weekly on Thursday 4:00 – 5:00pm

[Join with Google Meet](#)

meet.google.com/pnd-gxiz-nbg

[Join by phone](#)

(US) +1 402-867-1217 PIN: 812 877 477#

Ms.Tindall Math Support Pre-Algebra-Geometry

Weekly on Tuesday 4:00 – 5:00pm

[Join with Google Meet](#)

meet.google.com/yug-zkin-dxi

[Join by phone](#)

(US) +1 515-259-6170 PIN: 727 565 526#

Ms. Cowart Math Support 6th-8th Grade

Weekly from 4:30pm to 5:30pm on Tuesday

Join with Google Meet

meet.google.com/umt-uodn-csa

Join by phone

(US) +1 720-465-2008 (PIN: 391409049)

End of Update 5

4th Update sent out September 7th, 2020

While not all bugs have been worked out, many families and students are up and running. Remember that there is flexibility but that students should be engaging for the times given each week. We have met with each building social emotional team and you will be receiving additional connections with them this week. These connections will be ongoing from this team. They are an outstanding resource for you and your student(s).

K-5 Parents

Materials:

All materials will be in your hands no later than the 22 of September.

Link to track your shipping

<https://www.help.k12.com/s/article/Track-Shipping-Status-Materials-Computer-Equipment>

Check out the webpage for upcoming building connections and videos from individual teams.

6-12 Parents

Academic support Program: Math
Starting the week of September 7th
Every Tuesday and Thursday math support will be offered to students

Mr. Hass Math Support Geometry-Calculus
Thursday, September 10·4:00 – 5:00pm
Weekly on Thursday

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My name is Reginald Hass. I have been teaching at MSHS since 2013. During my time at Manitou I have primarily taught Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2 (Honors), and Statistics (both AP and regular). I have also worked as a private tutor outside of school. My favorite math is in the Algebra 2 and Precalculus areas as well as Statistics. I look forward to fielding questions and helping you to understand the concepts that students are struggling with so they can succeed in their current math class and be ready for whatever class is coming next.

Ms.Tindall Math Support Pre-Algebra-Geometry
Tuesday, September 8·4:00 – 5:00pm
Weekly on Tuesday

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[More phone numbers](#)

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Joining info Join with Google Meet

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My name is Mary Carol Cowart. I taught middle school math for 7 years at Atlanta Area School for the Deaf before becoming a mathematics coach. I worked as a math coach at Atlanta Area School for the Deaf for 5 years, supporting teachers and students in pre-school through 12th grade. I have been teaching math at MSMS for the past 5 years and have had the pleasure of

teaching all 3 grade levels. I am currently the math interventionist. I enjoy helping students of all levels see the fun and joy in math!
I look forward to helping your student be successful in whatever math class they are currently taking!

Laptops:

Thanks to our amazing tech department we will have laptops for our 8-12th graders by the end of the month.
More information about this will be coming.

Connections:

Our HS athletics department has made a connection video for students please check them out on the webpage.

<https://www.mssd14.org/cms/one.aspx?portalId=57448&pageId=2849418>

The 6-12 performing arts team is working on a video for next week. Stay Tuned!

3rd Update sent out August 31st, 2020

Dear families for students enrolled in K12/FuelEd,

What a first week we have had together! I know there have been challenges and bumps in the road. We have been learners in this journey, and we will continue to learn together.

For the Good of the whole:

Link to Parent resources page on the district website:

<https://www.mssd14.org/cms/one.aspx?portalId=57448&pageId=28494188>

Information includes the recorded messages from yesterdays' parent meetings.

Tech support from Fuel:

Create a Case, Review FAQs and System Outage Notifications:

<https://fueled.force.com/servicestation/s/>

Need Help?

Call Support at 1-844-638-3533 or Email support@fueleducation.com

Live Chat:

<https://fueled.force.com/servicestation/s/create-case>

Technical Support:

Monday - Friday 8AM ET – 8PM ET

Academic Support:

Monday - Friday 8AM ET – 11:59PM ET

Saturday and Sunday -- Noon ET – 8PM ET

Manitou Springs School District Tech Updates

On your school issued iPad

Go to the App Catalog and download:

Chrome and Firefox

We have been updated from K12/FUEL that these browsers work best on an iPad

Family Supports

Food Pick up is available for families who qualify please contact Paula Faucette, Director of Nutrition services: pfaucette@mssd14.org

Partners for Healthy Choices is providing support for families with the food pantry, clothing closet, and school supplies. Please contact Jane squires or Angela Gieck:

jsquires@mssd14.org

agieck@mssd14.org

K-5 Updates***Materials***

Materials for K-5 students have been shipped to families. I know that some families have already received materials. Fuel is working on any backordered materials and I will update you on those shipments when I know more.

6-12 Updates***Materials***

We have learned that there are some materials that are need for students in grades 6-12. We have worked with our FUEL partners to get these ordered and shipped. No materials need to be returned EXCEPT for the 7th grade microscopes. These can be returned when your student comes back to in-person or at the end of the year.

Athletics Update

<https://chsaanow.com/tools/calendars/2020-21/>

----- End of Third Update -----

2nd Update sent out August 26, 2020

Dear Families of Students Enrolled in K12/FueIED,

I am writing to provide some updates related to K12/FueIED. As we move forward, I will communicate weekly with updates. Also, we know there were glitches with FueIED getting up and running yesterday. Please know that we are going to work with you and your child as we navigate this new learning platform. We are looking at engagement/participation in FueIED this week (and will continue to do so), but please know that this week is a time for getting familiar with the new learning platform.

I will be working with the mentors and school leadership teams, so they can work directly with you and your child.

We would like to offer two tutorials and question/answer sessions to address any questions or concerns you might have about K12/FueIED. These meetings will be recorded for those who are not able to attend the Zoom meeting.

- Ute Pass Elementary School & Manitou Springs Elementary School
 - August 24, 2020
 - 1:30-2:30 pm

Zoom: Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84757719873> Meeting ID: 847 5771 9873 One tap mobile +12532158782,,84757719873# US (Tacoma)
+13462487799,,84757719873# US (Houston)

- - Manitou Springs Middle School & Manitou Springs High School
 - August 24, 2020
 - 2:30-3:30 pm

Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85828431472?pwd=K3B1MXVuVXVQYmZkY1ZBR0FjSTdNZz09>
Meeting ID: 858 2843 1472 Passcode: 043650 One tap mobile +16699006833,,85828431472#
US (San Jose) +12532158782,,85828431472# US (Tacoma)

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Technology:

- Students in 3rd to 12th grade can still check-out their iPad.
- If your child has not yet checked out the iPad, you will need to schedule a time with your child's school.
- Your child can use their own personal device. FueIED has advised that the device is no more than 5 years old.

- **If using a school iPad, your child needs to access the App Catalog and download the following apps:**
 - **Pages (like Word)**
 - **Keynote (like PowerPoint)**
 - **Numbers (like Excel)**
 - **Chrome Browser app to run FuelED (as it is a web-based platform).**

Communication with FuelED

- All parent emails have been updated in the K12/FuelED system and PowerSchool.
- Mentors for students in 6th-12th grade are adding all parent into the FuelED portal so that parents can monitor and support student progress.
- Students in 6th-12th grade should check their school student email for all communication with FuelED.
- Student email is first name middle initial last initial. For example, marykp@mssd14.org. Password is students' first name and last 4-digits of student ID. For example, mary1492
- Fuel ED—Tech Support FuelED—1-844-638-3533
- K-5 FuelED teachers will be calling families to touch base and introduce themselves- if this isn't happening, please let us know.
- Please be sure to do the orientation for both K5 and 6-12 program

Materials for Kindergarten to 5th Grade Students

- We purchased the additional instructional materials for all courses for all kindergarten to 5th grade students.
- Due to the ongoing COVID-19 shipping and supply chain issues, these instructional materials have not yet arrived.
- K12/FuelED has communicated to us that the instructional materials will arrive in the next week for families that registered by the deadline. For families that registered after the deadline the materials will arrive in the next few weeks.
- In the meantime, you can access the instruction materials via the K12/FuelEd individual course websites. Here is the pathway:
 - Go into each class.
 - Go to Plans in the dropdown.
 - Select Materials for the day.
 - Select the link to digital version.

Attendance & Time Expectations

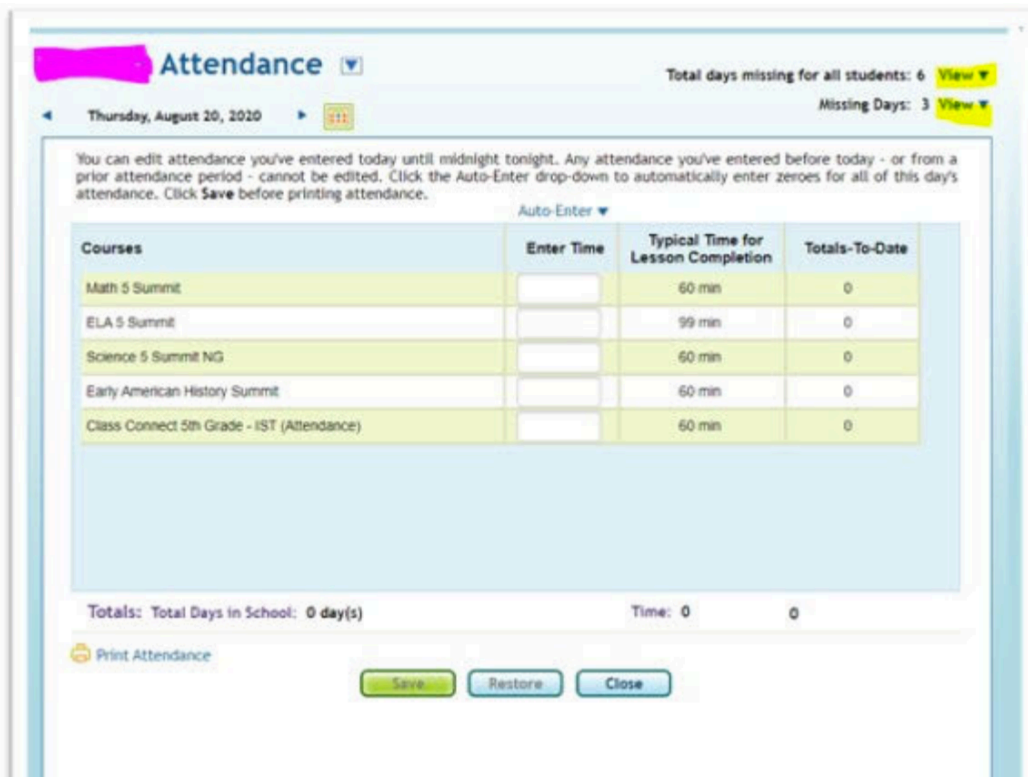
- While students and families have the flexibility to create their own daily learning schedules (Monday-Friday), for K-5th Students, each course has a designated time when students can learn directly from the teacher.
- If your child does not participate in this daily instruction provided by the teacher, your child will need to reach out to the FuelED teacher.
- The FuelED courses require approximately:

- Grades K-2nd—2-4 hours.
- Grades 3-5th—3-5 hours.
- Grades 6-12th – 45 minutes per day per class
- This is not all screen time.

School Contacts and Supports

	UPES	MSES	MSMS	MSHS
Building Tech Support	Cat Olimb colimb@mssd14.org	Agnes Navaratne anavaratne@mssd14.org	Mallory Susen msusen@mssd14.org	Gabrielle Waters gwaters@mssd14.org
Building Mentor	Eric Wester ewester@mssd14.org	Kristen Kanaga kkanaga@mssd14.org	Barak Ben-Amots bbenamots@mssd14.org	Ben Gilliam bgilliam@mssd14.org

- Mentors will be reaching out to students and families with information, updates, and check-ins.
- If you go into attendance and put a 0 in for missing days, they will no longer show up as missing any longer. Students will have plenty of time to enter attendance throughout the year.



----- **End of second Update** -----

First Update August 17, 2020

Dear Mustang Families,

I wanted to take a minute to reach out to all of you and thank you for all the emails and phone calls I have had over the past few weeks. I know that making all the decisions for your students has not been done lightly, and we are working hard on providing a positive experience for your children at this difficult time.

I wanted to start with some basic information and give you the mentor for each of your children at each school.

Communication:

You will continue to receive communication from the district and your students' school.

Cohorts:

Your student is a Mustang on Fuel Ed, and we want to be sure they are set in our school planning when they return in January.

Technology for Fuel ED students:

All 3rd to 12th graders will receive an iPad from their school. We are waiting on a shipment of laptops for our 8-12th graders and once those are received, we will add our K-2 graders to the list of students receiving an iPad, we anticipate the late fall for their arrival. These were delayed due to the international shipping issues caused by COVID. For MSES and UPE please contact the building to set up a time to get your device(s).

Building level support:

Each building will have a mentor or mentors to act as a liaison between the building and Fuel ED to support students and families. This person will not act as tech support or instructional support as that will come from Fuel but rather as a touch point to keep our families connected.

MSES- Mr. Ben Gilliam bgilliam@mssd14.org

MSMS- Mr. Barak Ben-Amots bbenamots@mssd14.org

UPE- Mr. Eric Wester ewester@mssd14.org

MSES- Ms. Kristen Kanaga kkanaga@mssd14.org

Expectations of time:

School will start on the 24th of August

All students on FUEL should "attend" school Monday-Friday following the regular school schedule.

Grades K-2 2-4 hours: this is not all screen time

Grades 3-5 3-5 hours: this is not all screen time

Grades 6-12 45 minutes per day per class

Classes:

Grades K-5 Students will have English Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies

Grades 6-8 courses will be matched to their building schedule as much as possible

6- English, Math, Science and Social Studies plus 1-2 electives

7- English, Math, Science and Social Studies, Health, and 1 elective

8- English, Math, Science and Social Studies, and 1-2 electives

9-12 courses will be matched to their building schedule as much as possible.

9-12- Core classes required for graduation; a minimum of 6 courses to a maximum of 8 courses.

Concurrent Enrollment classes will not be offered, some AP classes are not offered through Fuel ED, nor are some CTE classes.

Supplies and Materials

For K-5 students Fuel will be sending some workbook materials. These may take some time to receive and the instructors will work with you. All other supplies needed will be specified by the Fuel teacher.

Orientation

All students must go through the orientation for Fuel and I recommend that parents do as well. This will be available on or before the 24th of August.