

# COMMUNICATION CHANNELS OVERVIEW

## *How will I know what is happening at MES?*

At MES, communications will come from one of three sources: the school administration (Principal Sofianos, the vice principals), the MES PTA, or directly from the classroom teachers. Here are the four methods we use most commonly:



### **The Morningside Elementary School Website**

The MES website is maintained primarily by the school administration, while the pages linked under the PTA drop down menu are updated by the PTA. We recommend using the A-Z Directory to quickly find all the info you need!

<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/mes>



### **Infinite Campus Parent Portal**

Important school-wide messages from MES administration (and sometimes from APS!) are sent via the "parent portal" which is connected through the Infinite Campus app. Messages will be simultaneously pushed out via text message, email, and robo-calls to any contact info you provided when you registered for school. These will come from "sisdatareporting" - we recommend adding the email sender and phone number for these important messages to your address books under the school's name!

<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Page/53276>



### **Digital Dolphin Newsletter**

The Digital Dolphin comes out every Thursday, with Special Editions released as needed on other days. The PTA compiles and sends Digital Dolphin in partnership with the school administrators. Contact [communications@morningsideschool.org](mailto:communications@morningsideschool.org) to be added to the mailing list. Rising K families are added to the mailing list in early July.



### **Classroom Emails**

MES teachers typically send an email to parents once a week with details about what the students are learning in class, any upcoming assignments, the dates for field trips, and other reminders. This content varies by teacher and grade. Class parents will also send emails as needed to recruit volunteers, amplify reminders, and plan classroom activities.

# ADDITIONAL MES COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

***Want to be truly "in the know"? Follow us here as well:***

## **MES Dolphin Community Facebook Group**

This is a private Facebook group for MES parents that is run by the MES PTA. PTA Executive Board members and Committee Chairs regularly use the group to share reminders and highlight upcoming events and opportunities for volunteers. This group is also great for getting answers to any questions you have directly from your fellow MES parents. Please note that everyone in the group must have active accounts in our PTA Directory on Membership Toolkit. Rising K parents are invited to join each year in late July!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MESDolphinCommunity>

## **Morningside Elementary School Public Facebook Page**

MES also has a public-facing Facebook page where we will be sharing more frequently about upcoming events for the 2023-2024 school year. No need to join anything - just click follow!

<https://www.facebook.com/MorningsideElementary>

## **Morningside ES YouTube Page**

This YouTube channel is managed and used by the school administration to publicly livestream community events like the monthly Principal Coffee Talks and GO Team meetings. Recorded meetings are archived here as well!

<https://www.youtube.com/@morningsidees3587>

## **New for 2023/2024 - the MESDolphinsATL Instagram Page!**

Our first school Instagram account is now live! We are excited to use this new channel to share tidbits and reminders with our greater school community!

[@mesdolphinsatl on Instagram](#)

**Don't forget about  
the Principal's Blog!**

<https://bit.ly/MESBlog>

