

MORNINGSIDE APP OVERVIEW

At MES, we use several computer and phone apps to make communication between the school and parents as easy as possible. We recommend setting up each of the following apps at the start of the school year:

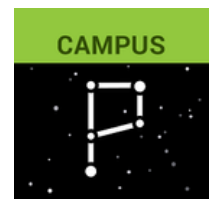


Infinite Campus (aka "the Parent Portal")

Infinite Campus is the main "parent portal" app that APS and MES administrators use to communicate with families, so it is VERY important that you set it up on either your computer or phone (or both!). The school uses this app to push out reminders and alerts, provide teacher and class assignments, track attendance records, and share grades throughout the year. To set up the app, you will need an Activation Code, which can be requested from the school secretary or generated from a link on the APS website below. However, you will need your student's APS-assigned Student ID number to receive an Activation Code. Rising Kindergarten students will receive their Student ID numbers on the first day of school.



Parent Portal



Learn more about Infinite Campus: <https://bit.ly/AboutInfiniteCampus>

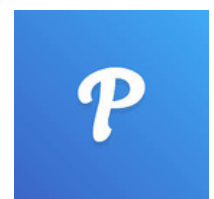
Infinite Campus Tip: Set up your account in the Parent version of the app on a desktop computer first, then log into the app on your phone with that account.

PikMyKid

PikMyKid is the app MES uses throughout the year to manage student dismissal. Parents use PikMyKid to set default dismissal options (walker, car line, after school program, or bus rider), change dismissal options as needed, and to alert the school when they or their delegated pick up person arrive for car line or walker pick up. To add your student(s) to the app, you MUST submit a new Transportation Form every year (this form will be available after July 21st for the 2023-2024 school year). MES admins will then activate your child within your account in the app - just be patient as this process can take a few days. There is a TON of information on PikMyKid on the MES website at the link below (including a Parent User Guide).



PikMyKid



Learn more about PikMyKid: <https://bit.ly/AboutPikMyKid>

PikMyKid Tip: Make sure you submit a form for EACH MES student you have and get your Transportation Forms in ASAP!

Membership Toolkit (aka "the Family Directory")

Membership Toolkit is the app used by the MES PTA to maintain a family directory and to coordinate volunteer activities for the school. You do not need to be a member of the PTA to have an account in Membership Toolkit, and it is not required that you join or make your account public within the Family Directory. However, an active account is required to receive the Digital Dolphin newsletter, to join the MES Dolphin Community Facebook group, and to sign up for many of our volunteer positions throughout the school year. All families are asked to verify their contact and student information annually to ensure the directory is up to date. Rising Kindergarten families are invited to join the directory in early July.



Family Directory

Learn more about Membership Toolkit: <https://bit.ly/AboutMembershipToolkit>

Here Comes the Bus

Here Comes the Bus is an APS-managed app that allows parents to track where their assigned school bus is on its daily route. To set up this app, you will need to enter the school code "87794" and then set up a profile with your child's Student ID number. A parent user guide can be found at the link below.



Here Comes the Bus

Learn more about Here Comes the Bus: <https://bit.ly/AboutHereComesTheBus>

My School Bucks

My School Bucks is an APS-managed app that allows parents to pre-pay for student meals by adding money to student accounts. To set up this app, you will need to enter your child's Student ID number and it will auto-populate with the MES information. Students use an assigned 5-digit lunch number to "charge" meals to their pre-paid account.



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Learn more about My School Bucks: <https://bit.ly/AboutMySchoolBucks>

My Backpack

My Backpack is an APS-managed learning portal that provides single sign on access to all of the classroom apps that your child may need or want to access. When you log in with your child's username and password (assigned by the school and different than the Student ID number!), you will see an extensive set of programs that your child may use throughout the year, usually in the classroom under teacher guidance. If you would like to access these programs outside of school, we recommend creating a shortcut to the portal log in page on your child's preferred personal device.



My Backpack

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