

**MIDWEST CENTRAL CUSD #191 INFORMATION****SCHOOL HOURS:**

Primary School (EC - 5th grade) hours are 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.; Middle School (6th - 8th grade) hours are 8:10 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.; High School (9th - 12th grade) hours are 7:55 a.m. - 2:50 p.m. with Early-bird classes from 7:03 - 7:50 a.m. Students should not arrive at any of the schools earlier than fifteen minutes prior to the start of the day.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

August 16 - 17 – Teacher Institute – NO SCHOOL for students
August 20 – First full day of school
September 3 – Labor Day – NO SCHOOL
September 26 – ½ Day for Students (attendance from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.)
October 8 – Columbus Day – NO SCHOOL
October 24 – ½ Day for Students (attendance from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.)
October 25 – Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences – 1 hour early dismissal
October 26 – Parent/Teacher Conferences – NO SCHOOL for students
November 21 - 23 – Thanksgiving Holiday – NO SCHOOL
November 28 – ½ Day for Students (attendance from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.)
December 21 – 1 hour early dismissal
December 24 - January 4 – Christmas/New Year Break – NO SCHOOL
January 7 – School resumes
January 21 – Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday – NO SCHOOL
January 24 – ½ Day for Students (attendance from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.)
February 18 – President’s Day – NO SCHOOL
February 20 – ½ Day for Students (attendance from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.)
March 4 – Casimir Pulaski Day – NO SCHOOL
March 20 – ½ Day for Students (attendance from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.)
April 12 – 1 hour early dismissal
April 15 - 19 – Spring Break – NO SCHOOL
May 27 – Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
June 6 – Last day for students (depends on emergency days used) – 1 hour early dismissal

ONE HOUR EARLY DISMISSALS:

Midwest Central Schools will dismiss one hour early on the following dates:

- Last day of school: June 6, 2019
- For Parent Conferences & Before Holidays:
October 25, 2018 December 21, 2018 April 12, 2019

CLOSED CAMPUS POLICY:

It is the policy of the Board of Education that all Midwest Central Schools have a closed campus. If you have questions regarding this policy, please contact the building principal.

ACTIVITY FEE:

Midwest Central High School and Middle School students are assessed an “Activity Fee” each year. This enables the student to attend all *sporting* events in their *OWN* school free of charge. However, this pass does not include tournaments or school plays. High School students will be required to pay to attend Middle School events and Middle School students will be required to pay to attend High School events. The cost is included in the basic book rental/fees charge at registration.

SEASON PASSES:

Athletic Season Passes provide admission to all Midwest Central Middle and High School home games except tournaments and special events. A *Family Pass* costs \$60.00 and is valid for parents/guardians and children high school age and younger. An *Individual Pass* costs \$30.00. A *Senior Citizen pass* costs \$10.00.

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

In the case of inclement weather or another emergency causing school to be closed, individuals should watch the following stations: Channel 19-WHOI, Channel 25-WEEK and Channel 31-WMBD. When the decision is made to cancel or close school, these stations are immediately notified. Parents are advised to check the school website at www.midwestcentral.org or the Facebook pages instead of calling the schools. Parents will also receive an automated telephone message giving the date and the reason for the closure. If you see a missed call from the school during times of inclement weather, please check your messages before calling the school.

STUDENT HANDBOOKS:

All students have the right and responsibility to know what is expected of them at school. Therefore, school rules for all students at Midwest Central Schools are contained in the student handbooks. At registration, all students will receive a copy of the handbook and should read it carefully before school begins. Parents should also be familiar with handbook provisions. Parents will be asked to sign a form to acknowledge that they and their child received a copy of the handbooks.

SCHOOL LUNCHES:

Breakfast and lunches are served at all Midwest Central schools. Breakfast and lunches are free for all students at the Primary and Middle Schools. If a student would like an additional lunch, they will be available at the regular student lunch prices listed below. Regular student lunch prices are \$2.25 for grades K-12. Adult lunches cost \$3.50. Breakfast is available at all schools and pricing is \$1.15. Information about free and reduced price lunches will be available at registration.

TRANSPORTATION:

Midwest Central School District will provide transportation services for the upcoming year. The bus barn phone number is 309.968.3020. Information on routes will be available at registration.

MCMS STUDENT PARKING PERMITS:

High School students who drive to school must have a school parking permit which will cost \$20.00. The student will be required to fill out a form that includes the student's name, address, make of car, license plate number, driver's license number, and name of the owner of the car. A parent signature is also required on this form. This information is kept on file in the office in case of an emergency. During the school day the parking permit must be in plain view on the windshield of the car. Another car registration form must be filled out if a student occasionally drives a different car to school. If the permit is lost, a replacement must be purchased for \$5.00. A student's permit can be revoked at any time as deemed necessary by administration.

SIXTH GRADE/ NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION AT MCMS:

Orientation for 6th grade students and new students at Midwest Central Middle School is scheduled for August 16, 2018 from 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School Gymnasium. Open House for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students and their families will take place from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Parents and students are encouraged attend.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE:

Accident insurance is provided for each Midwest Central student during school time. Please note that the student insurance is an excess accident policy only and would be used after all other insurance coverage is exhausted. Parents (not the school) must send the application with payment and submit all claims as outlined in the brochure.

BEGINNING/ ENDING SCHOOL:

The last day of school for the 2018-19 school year will be a full school day with a 1 hour early dismissal. A final school calendar will be provided in the spring once the number of emergency/snow days has been determined.