

WEEKLY FALCON NEWS

FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 29, 2022

ROTATING CHECK-IN SCHEDULE FOR MAY 29 - JUNE 5

SUNDAY, MAY 29TH - NO CHECK-IN

MONDAY - MEMORIAL DAY (NO CHECK-IN)

Tuesday, May 31st 6 a.m. - 7 a.m.

Sunday, June 5th, 8 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

9th, 11th, and full-time boarding students

Sunday, June 12th 8 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

9th, 10th, & 11th grades

Given recent improvements in the public health data across the District, we are preparing for ALL students to return to full-time double occupancy boarding for the 2022-2023 school year.

GET VACCINATED!

Getting yourself and your child vaccinated is the best way to protect your family against COVID-19, and we urge our families to take this important step for all students. Visit vaccinate.dc.gov for free vaccine locations across the city.

COVID CENTERS

DATE	TIME	WARD	ADDRESS
Friday, May 27, 2022	9:00AM - 7:00PM	1	800 Euclid Street NW
	9:00AM-7:00PM	2	926 F Street NW
	9:00AM - 7:00PM	3	5335 Wisconsin Ave NW
	9:00AM - 7:00PM	4	4704 13 th Street NW
	9:00AM - 7:00PM	5	2350 Washington Place NE, Ste 105-N
	9:00AM - 7:00PM	6	507 8 th Street SE
	9:00AM - 7:00PM	7	3929 Minnesota Ave NE
	9:00AM - 7:00PM	8	3640 Martin Luther King Jr., Avenue SE

CORONAVIRUS.DC.GOV

DC HEALTH
GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

All COVID Centers will be CLOSED on Monday, May 30 (Memorial Day)

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) VACCINE REQUIREMENTS

FOR STUDENTS IN THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR

In accordance with the Coronavirus Immunization of School Students and Early Childhood Workers Amendment Act of 2021, beginning in the 2022-23 school year, the COVID-19 vaccine is required for ***all students who are eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccination*** that is fully approved by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for their age. As of May 4, 2022, the FDA has fully approved the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine for individuals age 16 and older and the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine for individuals age 18 and older. If additional approvals occur, OSSE will communicate those updates as soon as possible.

Any student age 16 or older at the start of the 2022-23 school year must have received their primary COVID-19 vaccination series—or be proceeding in accordance with the series—or they will risk being removed from school. OSSE has revised the Immunization Attendance Policy for the 2022-23 school year to support schools and families with understanding and implementing this new requirement. Facts about the COVID-19 vaccine are also available on the OSSE website, and from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and at coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine.

To find locations offering the COVID-19 vaccine, visit vaccines.gov or vaccinate.dc.gov. For questions about the Immunization Attendance Policy, please contact OSSE.SchoolHealth@dc.gov. For questions about immunization information, data and locations where families can receive immunizations, contact DC Health at DOH.Immunization@dc.gov or visit the DC Health Immunization Program webpage.

REMINDER: NO OUTSIDE FOOD POLICY

There has been an increase in students ordering outside food while on campus. Please remember the school food policy as outlined in the Scholar-Family Handbook:

“For special occasions or incentives, the Director of Student Life must first approve any other food that is not from campus dining services. In order to maintain a clean environment and to avoid pests, scholars are not permitted to keep food in their rooms at any time. Scholars are not permitted to order outside food while on campus. Parents and families are also not permitted to bring outside food to scholars.”

Additionally, there are several students who have severe food allergies that can be triggered by unidentified contents from outside food. It is paramount that we continue to provide a clean and safe environment for ALL students.

Effectively immediately, any outside food that is ordered without prior permission from Mr. Rooks, Director of Student Life, will be confiscated and discarded.

JOIN THE F.A.S.T. - FAMILY AMBASSADOR SUPPORT TEAM

Please take a moment to learn about & sign up for volunteer opportunities at The SEED School. There are lots ways for families to be engaged with the school, from simply attending a meeting, to taking on a leadership role, and everything in between.

Click here to learn more: <https://forms.gle/54GGqGJXay2JSmTQ6>.

OUTSTANDING RESIDENCY VERIFICATION

The deadline to submit proof of your D.C. residency was May 2nd. If you have not submitted your residency verification documents, please contact the FACE Office immediately. Your scholar's re-enrollment for SY2022-2023 is incomplete without it.

FACE Office: 202-248-3025

RECRUITMENT FOR SY 2022-2023

The application deadline for new high school applicants was February 1st. However, it is not too late to apply. Waitlist applications are still being accepted. If you know of a rising 9th or 10th grade scholar who would benefit from our college-preparatory program, encourage them to apply today.

Side Note: Current SEED families do not need to submit applications to re-enroll for next school year. Links for online re-enrollment & registration will be sent out later this month.



Accepting applications
for grades 9 & 10
for school year 2022-2023

Online application
available now on
www.myschooldc.org

For more information email
admissions@seedschooldc.org
or visit our website,
www.seedschooldc.org.



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The SEED School of Washington, D.C.
*A college-preparatory boarding school
Serving grades 9-12*



Five-Day
Boarding
Program



College-
Preparatory
Curriculum



Tuition-
Free



Beautiful
and Safe
Campus



Engaging
Extracurricular
Activities

Are you seeking...

- AP classes?
- Dual enrollment?
- Small class sizes?
- Student internships?
- College-like environment?
- Intensive academic supports?
- Domestic & international travel opportunities?
- To learn new skills through diverse electives & programs?

Then SEED just might be the school for you!

**The SEED School of
Washington, D.C.,
where we offer your scholar
24 hours to grow!**

For more information
call 202-329-8961 or email
admissions@seedschooldc.org

Visit www.myschooldc.org to submit
your application today!

Join us!

**VIRTUAL
INFO
SESSIONS**

Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 6 p.m.
Beginning January 2022

The SEED Public Charter School of Washington, D.C. is the nation's first tuition-free, college-preparatory boarding school serving boys & girls in grades 9-12 and through college completion.

Empower the School Year

**Text
INTERNET
to 69866**

For one year of Comcast Internet Essentials or RCN's Internet First paid for by DC Government.

Eligibility:

- Any home that has PK3-12th grade student(s) enrolled at a DC traditional, charter public schools or adult charter school.
- Need one year of internet access.
- Your home is covered by RCN or Comcast.
- For more information, visit: techtogogetherdc.com/internetforall



TECH TOGETHER

Closing the Digital Divide in DC



Internet Access Opportunities in DC

Internet access is the first and most basic step to digital equity. DC residents in need of in-home internet subscription assistance have several options available to them: Internet for All provided by the Bowser Administration and the Federal Communications Commission's new Emergency Broadband Benefits program.



Which Internet Program Is Right for You?

Internet for All: DC Students

Text INTERNET to 69866 to sign up

What You Get:

One year of Comcast Internet Essentials or RCN's Internet First paid for by DC Government.

Why Choose Me:

- You have a PK3-12th grade student(s) enrolled at a DC traditional, charter public schools or adult charter school
- You need one year of internet access
- Your home is covered by RCN or Comcast
- 50 Mbps of internet speed is enough for your household needs

Find Out if You're Eligible:

- Visit techtogetherdc.com/internetforall

FCC Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) Program

What You Get:

A temporary discount on monthly broadband bills for qualifying low-income households.

Why Choose Me:

- You do not have a student enrolled in DC traditional or Public Charter Schools
- You need device assistance (up to \$100) in addition to Internet for All
- Your household needs a higher speed internet than Internet Essentials (Comcast) or Internet First (RCN), which are both 50 Mbps.

Find Out if You're Eligible:

- Visit fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit

Attendance Alerts



Attendance alerts go out daily to the parent/guardian(s) of all scholars who are marked absent in their first and second period classes. We understand that some absences are unavoidable, but please remember to send an email to attendance@seedschooldc.org in all cases. Please see below for some more reminders:

School starts promptly at 8:00 a.m. each morning and scholars are allowed to start entering the building at 7:30 a.m. to check temperatures, show proof of passing daily health screening and grab breakfast before heading to class.

Scholars should be in complete uniform which includes the maroon polo (5 provided for all scholars), khaki pants and any closed-toe appropriate shoe.

Teachers' complete attendance within the first 10 minutes of class, any scholar who arrives after 8:10 a.m. will be marked absent until the Attendance Coordinator goes back at the end of the day to rectify attendance.

Please try your best to get your scholar here on time. If you have any questions and/or concerns, don't hesitate to contact Ms. Holloway (202.381.8065) or Mrs. Holman Jones (202.329.8961).

ACADEMIC ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

EARLY DISMISSALS AND PLANNED ABSENCES

In the event, a scholar needs to leave campus during the school week and will miss any part of the school programming (academic or student life), including Sunday check-in, families should send an email to attendance@seedschooldc.org. The email should include the following:

1. Scholar's name
2. Date(s) of absences
3. Date and time of pick-up and drop off
4. Name of an adult who will pick up the scholar (proof of identification will be required)
5. If student is departing on their own, please indicate the mode of travel (Uber, Lyft, Metro, etc.)
6. Reason for absence/appointment

Please note:

All communication regarding absences must be submitted in written form by the parent/guardian/caregiver on file. SEED DC will not allow a scholar to leave campus without a prior written communication from the parent/guardian/caregiver on file.

Scholars must be signed out at the front desk in the lobby for early dismissal and signed in when returning to campus. All written communication should be sent to attendance@seedschooldc.org and should include the time the student will depart and return, mode of transportation, and contact information for an adult authorized to pick the student up. This includes transportation via Metro, Uber, Lyft, or riding with other families. Staff may be directed to conduct a follow-up phone call, to confirm details or ask clarifying questions. When a scholar returns to campus following a medical visit, a signed medical note from the medical facility must be presented to the receptionist stating the reason for the absence.

If a scholar needs to leave early on a Friday, families should send an email to attendance@seedschooldc.org no later than 8 p.m. on Thursday evening. Student Life staff will be notified to have scholars bring their belongings from the residence halls in the morning to place in the academic building. Please note that emails sent after 8 a.m. will not be honored, as the residence halls are closed from 8 a.m. until student life staff arrives for check-out, 4 p.m. If you still have to pick-up your scholar, you will have to return to pick up their belongings between 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Absent for three (3) or more days? Please contact the Attendance Coordinator at (202) 248-7773 x5116.

STUDENT LIFE PROTOCOLS FOR SY21-22

CHECK-IN PROTOCOLS:

Sunday check-in is from 8 - 9:30 p.m. by grade level. Families are not permitted to enter campus during check-in, except to submit prescription and over-the-counter medication or health-related documentation to the school nurse.

Any overnight on-campus scholar who arrives after 9:30 p.m. will not be permitted access to campus and must check-in on the following morning. Any overnight on-campus scholar who does not check-in on the following morning will not be permitted to board for the remainder of their week.

SIGN-OUT PROTOCOLS:

Overnight on-campus scholars are not permitted to leave campus after 4 p.m. Monday - Thursday, except for pre-approved appointments. If a scholar leaves campus for a pre-approved appointment, the parent/guardian must return with the scholar and provide the appropriate documentation no later than 7 p.m. of the same day. Scholars must also complete the [Daily Health Screen](#) and temperature check **BEFORE** returning to campus or the residence halls. Families must submit all appointments that occur after 4 p.m. for review and approval to Mr. Rooks, Director of Student Life with a minimum of one week in advance of the appointment.

EARLY DISMISSAL PROTOCOLS:

Brown Hall and Marshall Hall are not accessible during the academic day, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Scholars may only retrieve their belongings from the residence halls at the end of the academic day. Although we are aware that emergencies do arise and are inevitable, scholar belongings will remain secured in the residence halls until the end of the academic day. *Residence halls open at 4 p.m.*

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Rooks, Director of Student Life by email: crooks@dc.seedschool.org or crooks@seedschooldc.org or by phone on (202) 381-8055.

WELLNESS SUITE MEDICATION REQUIREMENTS

Please be reminded that that only parents/guardians/caregivers or authorized adults can bring medication to the Wellness Suite. Medication will not be accepted from students and students are not allowed to carry medication on their person, with the exception of an asthma inhaler.

In order for the school to administer prescription medication, a [medical authorization form](#) must be filled out by the doctor. Parents must also sign the form before school medical personnel can administer medication. Only creams, antibiotics, or medical equipment will be sent home on Fridays during checkout and that no student will be allowed to take medication home. Be sure to request for your pharmacist to divide the medication in two (2) bottles, one to keep at home and one to be left at school. Also we have over the counter medications here and all parents should fill out the form if their student needs to take any over the counter medications. All of the medical forms mentioned here can be found on the [health & wellness suite page](#) of the school website.

Click here to review the full [medication policy](#).

Thank you,

The Wellness Team:
Nrs. Jones & Ms. Faison
202-248-3008 (phone)
202-318-8625 (fax)



PowerSchool Portal for Parents & Families

The SEED School of Washington, D.C. is proud to offer a tool that parents and family members may use to stay connected to their scholar and their school.

The PowerSchool Parent & Family Portal gives you real-time access to valuable information such as grades, assignment details, & messages from teachers.

Through the portal, view your scholar's:



ACADEMIC HISTORY



TEST RESULTS



ATTENDANCE



& MORE!



You can log in any time from any computer, tablet, or mobile phone.

GET ALERTS VIA:



TEXT



PHONE



EMAIL

Receive alerts about attendance, school events, & weather-related closures.

Turn over for more info on how to set up your Parent Portal,

Parent & Family Portal: Getting Started

How do I sign up for the Parent & Family Portal & set up my account? You must have a personal email address to sign up for a Parent & Family Portal account.

You can register for a free email account using Gmail, Outlook, Yahoo, or a similar service..

WHERE DO I START?

Visit <https://seedschool.powerschool.com/public/>

1

- Click "Create an account"
- Enter your first & last name and email address
- Create a password - at least 6 characters
- Re-enter password
- Enter student's name (If you have multiple student's @ SEED, each will have their own access ID & password)

2

HAVE YOUR CONFIDENTIAL ID READY

- Enter Confidential ID (provided by school)
- Enter Access Password (provided by school)
- Select appropriate relationship to student

Once completed, you will be taken to the login page of the Parent & Family Portal

3

DOWNLOAD THE MOBILE APP

- App Store or Play Store
- Enter district code: **FQGN**
- Click Continue
- Enter Confidential ID
- Enter Password
- You're all set to go!

Still need help?

Contact the registrar:

ctyson@seedschooldc.org