

## MSA News and Updates: Week of May 18th, 2026



The MSA Graduating Class of 2026 had a wonderful time touring our nation's capital. We learned a lot and enjoyed the once-in-a-lifetime experience!

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Our **All-School Picnic** will be held this Thursday, May 21st. This annual celebration is for the staff and students, and to recognize all their hard work throughout the year. We are still in need of volunteers to help out with the picnic.

Also, we are asking that all students wear their MSA colored shirts and that all volunteers wear red.

Some important things to keep in mind:

Make sure that your child has sunscreen on in the morning.

If the weather is sunny, send your child with a hat.

If the weather is rainy, send your child with an extra pair of shoes and socks.

Again, this is a celebration for the kids, and we are grateful to all who commit to working the picnic. It is well worth it to see the smiles on their faces!

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**Attendance:** As the end of the year winds down, please remember the importance of attendance. We're heading into the toughest part of the year. Showing up gets harder right when it matters most. We want to partner with you to help your student finish strong. Your children matter to us. We notice when they're here. We notice when they're not. Let's finish this year strong together.



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Congratulations to all of our 8th Grade students who will be graduating on June 2nd!

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### Dates to Remember: Mark Your Calendars

Thursday, 5/21	All-School Picnic
Monday, 5/25	Memorial Day- No School for Students
Tuesday, 6/2	8th Grade Graduation @ 10:00 AM<
Thursday, 6/4	Kindergarten Moving Up Ceremony @ 1:00PM
Thursday, 6/4	Last day of school for students

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**Traffic Safety & Dismissal:** To keep traffic moving and our children safe, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- **No Double Parking:** This is a major safety hazard and is strictly prohibited on **27th Street** and **Wallace Street**.
- **Keep Moving:** If your child is not ready when you reach the front of the line, you must circle the block. Do not idle or wait in the flow of traffic.
- **Follow the Plan:** Our traffic plan was created with expert input to maximize safety. Please avoid U-turns and always follow the designated flow of traffic.
- **CPD Presence:** Due to frequent complaints regarding double parking and illegal U-turns, the **Chicago Police Department** will be conducting frequent patrols. They will issue tickets to vehicles violating traffic laws. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our community safe.

