
BURROUGHS COMMUNITY SCHOOL

A JOYFUL PLACE TO
LEARN, COLLABORATE
AND GROW

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School Request Season

December 5-February 7, 2021

Online at <http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us/>

Questions?

Contact Burroughs at 612-668-
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or

Student Placement Services at 612-668-
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Email: sps.department@mpls.k12.mn.us



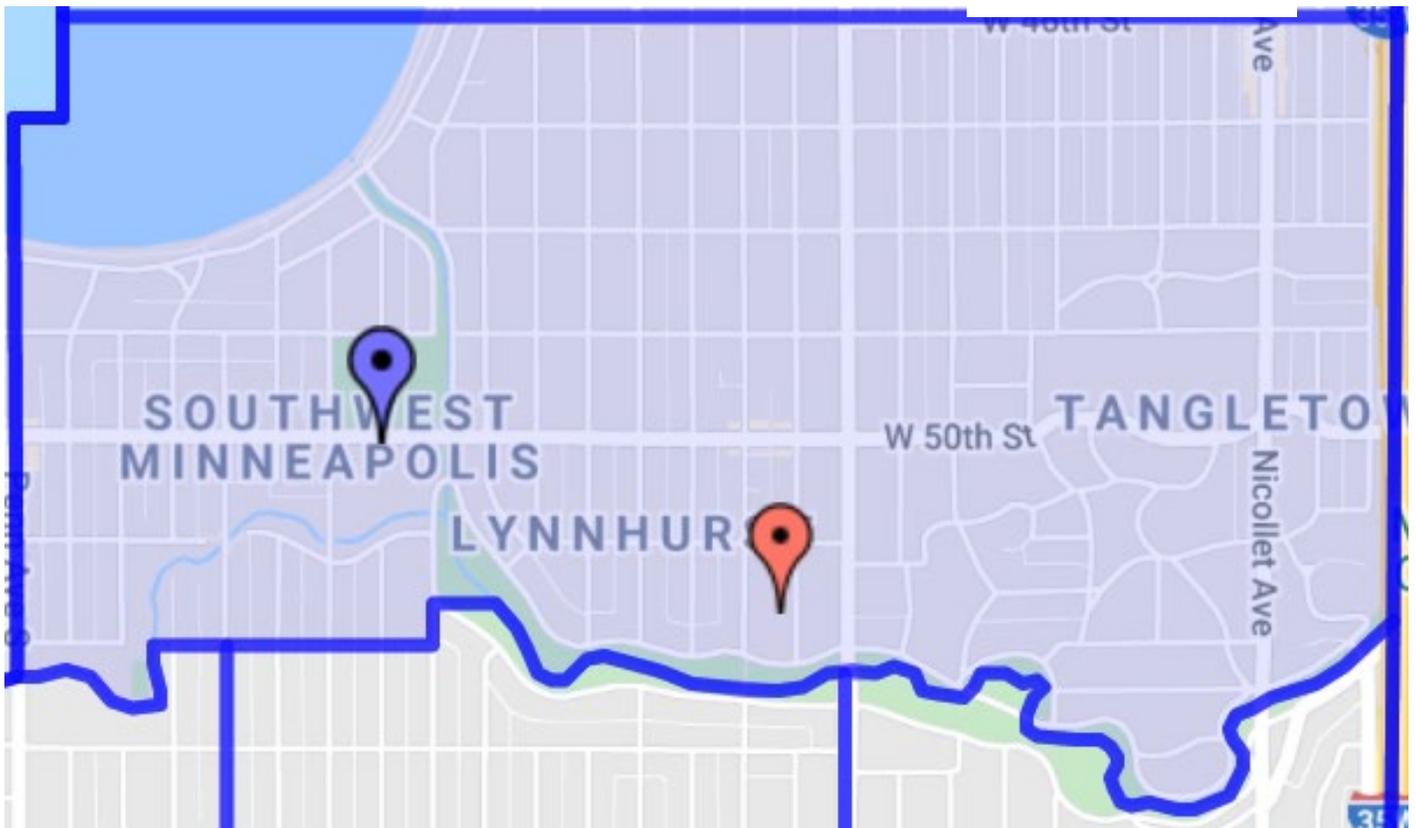
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	As scholars	As citizens	As seekers
Adult Promise Statements	Students will develop a love of learning. They will engage in experiences that foster critical and creative thinking and will be prepared for the next steps in their educational journeys.	Students will see themselves as members of a collaborative community, acting with integrity and respect for all. They will recognize and celebrate diverse abilities, cultures, and perspectives.	Students will construct knowledge through inquiry. Students will feel free to take risks, to make mistakes, to have fun, and to challenge themselves and others.
Student Pledge Statements	<p>I am prepared for and excited about learning.</p> <p>I pay attention to what other people say, do, and believe.</p> <p>I am a creative, thoughtful, and flexible thinker.</p> <p>I do my best!</p>	<p>I am an active and positive part of my community.</p> <p>I respect and learn from the ideas of all other students.</p> <p>I behave in ways that are fair and just and help others to do the same.</p> <p>I am welcomed and welcoming!</p>	<p>I am curious and open-minded.</p> <p>I take risks, make mistakes, keep trying and admit when I am wrong.</p> <p>I make healthy choices for my mind and body.</p> <p>I have fun!</p>

Burroughs Attendance Boundaries 2020-21



Thank you for your interest in Burroughs Community School!
If you live in the following boundaries, we are your community school.



Core Curriculum

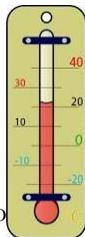
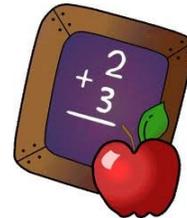
- **Core Curriculum**
 - Literacy
 - Math
 - Science
 - Social Studies
- **Benchmark Advance Literacy**
Five Components of Scientifically Based Reading Research
 - Phonemic Awareness
 - Phonics
 - Fluency
 - Vocabulary
 - Comprehension
- **MPS Focused Instruction and Singapore Math**
- **Project M² & M³:** Supplement Aligned with Singapore Math, is a national curriculum to nurture math talent in elementary students K-5
- **Specialists:** Physical Education ~ Music ~ Visual Art ~ Media & Technology & STEM (grades 3-5)
- **Social Emotional Learning**
 - Morning Meeting
 - Second Step: What is Second Step? Second Step is a researched-based, developmentally appropriate and comprehensive curriculum for PreK-8th Grade. It is the highest rated social skills curriculum, receiving the 5-star rating from the U.S. Department of Education. It has been implemented in schools around the world for over 20 years. The lessons are taught one per week to all students in each class by the classroom teachers. Justice Page Middle School also teaches Second Step along with many other Minneapolis schools. This will be a great approach to having common language and social expectations for K-8. Our goal is to create a kinder, gentler and more respectful community.

Also Available At Burroughs...

- **Minneapolis Kids** offers before and after school childcare (alternate location at Justice Page.)
- **Student Council** for 5th graders
- **GEMS/GISE** for 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades STEM based enrichment class.
- **Bobcat Choir** for 4th and 5th graders
- **Band & Orchestra** for 4th & 5th Grades in partnership with Mount Olivet School of Music.
- **After-School Spanish** classes are offered two days a week after school.
- **After-School French** classes are offered one day a week after school.
- **Ukulele** is offered in 6 week sessions for beginning and advanced students.
- **Girls on the Run** 3rd, 4th & 5th grade girls running club
- **Lego League** robotics
- **Destination Imagination** where students develop answers to challenges about diverse topics incorporating STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, And Mathematics)
- **Active Solutions** after-school indoor and outdoor Physical Education programs
- **Chess Club** after-school for grades K-5.

Full Day Kindergarten 'At a Glance'

- Morning Centers
 - a. Interdisciplinary activities based on our social studies, science and math units.
- Morning Meeting
 - a. Time to go over the schedule for the day
 - b. Morning message
- Circle/Share
 - a. Sharing time based on the current class unit
 - b. Review of SecondStep Lessons
- Calendar
 - a. Patterns, days of the week, months of the year, yesterday, today and tomorrow.
Number of the day and place value are additional skills we work on.
- Reader's Workshop
 - a. Work on literacy through large group 'read-a-louds' followed up with small group work.
The teacher guides reading at individual instructional levels.
- Math
 - a. Large group lessons based on our Singapore curriculum
 - b. Math workshop - time to work in small groups on skills still needing mastery and challenge work for those who have already mastered it.
- Lunch
- Recess
- Afternoon Meeting
 - a. Social skills development
- Story time/Rest/Journals
- Writer's Workshop
 - a. Develop the writing process: Students work on writing based on our language a
- Specialist Time
- Science or Social Studies
 - Science units are focused on the scientific thinking processes of comparing, communicating and observing. Our units are:
 - Animals
 - Wood
 - Paper
 - Trees and Weather
 - Fabric
 - Social studies units are:
 - Rules, Rights and Responsibilities
 - Time, family and culture
 - Needs and wants
 - Goods and services
 - Geography
 - Nation, state and community.
- Active Learning
 - Free Choice time to develop so
- Clean Up
- Dismissal



BURROUGHS SCREEN TIME PHILOSOPHY (when not in distance learning)

At Burroughs Community School, our teachers leverage different technology platforms to enhance the learning experience of our students. Keeping students engaged is a key priority and Burroughs Community School is fortunate to have access to a variety of learning tools to maintain student engagement and keep student learning at high levels. In our classrooms, students will interact with technology in ways that are purposeful and aligned to grade level learning objectives. Screen time will be kept at a moderate, reasonable level for all grade levels.

You can expect 45-60 minutes weekly in kindergarten through 2nd grade and 60-90 minutes weekly in 3rd through 5th grades with the Dream Box and Lexia Core 5 curriculum as required by the Minneapolis Public School district.

If you have any specific concerns as it relates to screen time, please consult with your child's teacher.

BURROUGHS HOMEWORK PHILOSOPHY

At Burroughs Community School, our teachers provide students the opportunity to reinforce their learning with supplemental homework exercises. Homework is provided with the intent to reinforce and support the academic and social concepts learned in the classroom, as well as to provide an opportunity for families to learn about what students are experiencing in the classroom.

Teachers will communicate and collaborate to determine their homework approach for each grade level to ensure consistency in the homework provided on a quantitative basis (amount of homework) and qualitative (concepts) basis. Homework will not be tied to classroom rewards or punishments.

As always, parents are the final decision makers in how much, if any, homework their child completes. If you have any specific concerns about homework, please consult with your child's teacher.