

**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us

**Subject:** Re: Connections+ Update

**Date:** August 8, 2020 at 5:48 PM

**To:** Shore, Nancy shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us

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LM

The survey is problematic. There was much discussion about the findings from the survey and Dr Swift emphasized the data will help to form our programs and supports.

I would rather not mention the survey. I believe it promised too much for now....

I also think the qualifications for who participates in the Connections+ program are defined by the students the community centers serve and we state who we are serving in our introduction. I don't think it would be helpful to define this further....

If anyone thinks differently please chime in!

Thanks  
Liz

On Sat, Aug 8, 2020 at 12:20 PM Shore, Nancy <[shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Liz,

As I am looking at the document I am wondering where the survey results from the enrollment form will come in.

Does it make sense to add a section that says we will use the results from the survey of partners to determine future Connection+ options?

Also, this doc doesn't speak to who qualifies for Connection+. Is that something that should be added?

Nancy

On Fri, Aug 7, 2020 at 5:13 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Check this out....they specifically say "don't leave you public school..."

<https://www.wxyz.com/news/education/back-to-school/ann-arbor-company-aims-to-help-families-form-pods-to-support-virtual-learning>

Please also review the updates to the Connections+ google doc.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1oHbrV6iqUxRMk\\_o4vA0xhtEhKVdbwDgMdpiTXdJWZHQ/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1oHbrV6iqUxRMk_o4vA0xhtEhKVdbwDgMdpiTXdJWZHQ/edit?usp=sharing)

Hoping to have something for Dr. Swift on Monday...

Thank you for your help with this!  
Liz

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**From:** Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Subject:** Re: Connection+ community programming  
**Date:** September 2, 2020 at 12:23 PM  
**To:** Fidishin, Marianne [fidishinm@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:fidishinm@aaps.k12.mi.us)



Sounds good!

On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 12:08 PM Fidishin, Marianne <[fidishinm@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:fidishinm@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Thank you Liz for the kind thoughts.

How about I call at 1?

On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 11:06 AM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Yes indeed. The program is very limited now. I am preparing and update for cabinet and principals. Feel free to call me! I am available anytime until 2pm....

I am so sorry to hear about your mom. My parents, while in pretty good shape, are 88 and 86. I am so glad you were in Chicago.

Liz

On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 12:02 PM Fidishin, Marianne <[fidishinm@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:fidishinm@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hi Liz,

Can we touch base briefly regarding the Connection+ community programming. I am hoping we can develop shared language so we are consistent with parent inquiries. I am subject to your availability.

Thanks much.

Best,  
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**From:** Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Subject:** Re: Connection+ Update  
**Date:** September 8, 2020 at 12:59 PM  
**To:** Rozelle-Williams, Candyce [rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Cc:** Walstra, Julie [walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us), Daniel Berger [bergerd@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:bergerd@aaps.k12.mi.us)

LM

Sounds good. We will get the one name from Peace, likely Bonnie and I am confirming now about Jane helping on this....  
Thank you

On Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 12:53 PM Rozelle-Williams, Candyce <[rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Hi Liz,

We just need to approval for Jane to work on this (not sure how this works or who needs to approve, maybe Dawn?) and Jane probably needs to be asked. Once approved, I can work with Julie to make sure Jane has the access she needs and then I can show her how to proceed. The list of students would include full name, DOB and school (this won't always be right, but is helpful).

Also for Peace and Avalon we need a person to assign the parent account to. With CAN it's Derrick Miller. We will need full name, position and organization email address. FYI - parents will be able to see this person listed in their student's account.

Thanks, Candy

On Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 12:36 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Thank you!

We have the list from Peace and it does include parent permission. It is in a google doc.

I can surely get approval for Jane to help I am just not sure if she should contact Julie to get this done?? I am not sure what I am asking...? Does Jane need to confirm each student's student number? They include their gmail addresses in the google spreadsheet. I know we will be getting this from the CAN locations soon as well.

Liz

On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 6:45 PM Walstra, Julie <[walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Two ways to work it. Add kids to the contact or a data access account on each kid. Least invasive is to add a role to a view account that only has edit access on contacts. Will make myself a ticket.

On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 5:04 PM Rozelle-Williams, Candyce <[rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Liz, like we talked about before, we need someone like Jane Z to help with the initial account access work. The person will need district access in PS to do this. I have not had a chance to inquire about help. Caryn arranged for Jane to help with our phones. I think you offered to arrange help in our last thread. Can you arrange for this?

Julie, is there a way to make an account just for connecting students to parent accounts without giving access to change everything else?

Thanks!!

On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 4:12 PM Walstra, Julie <[walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Child Accounting maintains the access accounts for the community center staff and students.

On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 3:54 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hi everyone,

I want to loop you into the first phase of the Connections+ program with Peace Neighborhood Center.

Jennifer and I met with Bonnie and his team today. Jennifer is set to be at Peace on Tuesday and will be working with ensuring their students have technology next week during orientation week.

Heather, we will really need a direct connection with your office to match students from the Peace program with those who still need devices. Jennifer will work on picking up those devices from ITD along with the proper paperwork and deliver devices to the Peace students.

Julie, Jennifer is getting a spreadsheet with all the proper information on each Peace student in their program including parent permission so we can get Peace staff connected to PowerSchool.

We will also need to engage the Schoology training for Peace staff although many stumbled through it this summer. I will contact James directly with Jennifer to get that scheduled.

We are also asking if there is a district access code so that Jennifer can help students get into Schoology if they don't have their Clever badge or a direct line of who she can call?

The key is the connection. We want to ensure that the students from Peace are connected to their schools and that the schools know Jennifer is the conduit between them and Peace. If a student is not online in the morning, Jennifer can work with Peace staff to track down the student. If a para is assigned to a Peace student they need to know Jennifer is their connection as well as the teacher and principal. Of course we are not replacing the Peace staff but providing more of a direct chain of support.

We expect this program to grow so your support as we kick off is vital!

Thank you  
Liz  
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**From:** Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Subject:** Re: Using the Center at Pauline/Carrot Way  
**Date:** August 17, 2020 at 11:45 AM  
**To:** Harris, Bill [harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us)

LM

Bill I haven't met yet with Swift on the proposed Connections+ plan. She said earlier this week. I really can't confirm how this will work but we proposed virtual supports by paras and TAs to the small groups until we go into a balanced plan. At this point we have not thought about the high school students yet. I think we really need to get this settled and see how it works then move into the high school students as supports when we are a bit settled later in September.

Liz

On Sat, Aug 15, 2020 at 10:43 PM Harris, Bill <[harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Thanks for this Liz...we are still good to have TAs for 1:1, small groups though too, right? Has there been any thinking about High Schoolers who are part of NHS, a tutoring club or PiHi Trailblazers? Anyone that we can brainstorm with on how to utilize these HS kiddos?

Thanks again,  
Bill

On Fri, Aug 14, 2020 at 3:44 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hi Bill,

When Connections+ is approved we will work w/ schools and the community centers to clarify our supports. The supports, as part of the draft, call for only virtual at this time and potentially when we go blended we may be able to place a parapro at the location but the liability is still being discussed. Hopefully more next week!

Liz

On Fri, Aug 14, 2020 at 1:17 PM Harris, Bill <[harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

That's great to hear Mollie.  
I'll follow up with Liz and Nancy on this end.  
I'm glad it's in the works!  
Bill

On Fri, Aug 14, 2020 at 10:50 AM Mollie Richards <[mrichards@avalonhousing.org](mailto:mrichards@avalonhousing.org)> wrote:

Hi again-

Sounds like Lauren Velez spoke with Liz Margolis and Nancy Shore. I'm hoping that maybe we can all zoom together and talk this through. We are definitely interested in partnering and support this as much as possible.

Thanks for reaching out!

On Mon, Aug 10, 2020 at 10:37 AM Harris, Bill <[harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Glad you got away for a bit!

Here is a link to very minimal information....but it's a start. I'd love to talk with you/others about possibilities. <https://www.a2schools.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=16160#connection>

On Mon, Aug 10, 2020 at 9:11 AM Mollie Richards <[mrichards@avalonhousing.org](mailto:mrichards@avalonhousing.org)> wrote:

Hi Bill-

Yes, just getting back from a few weeks off. Really needed! Hope you have also had some down time. I haven't heard about connection plus. Can you tell me more? We started talking about how we can support students so I'm very curious!

On Fri, Aug 7, 2020 at 1:44 PM Harris, Bill <[harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hi Mollie-

Hope you are doing well and found some "downtime" for self-care this summer. I'm not sure if there has been much discussion with the "connection plus" gig that AAPS is looking at doing this fall (essentially small group support), but if so, I'd really like to see something happening at the centers at Pauline/Carrot Way. Is this

something that you think might be possible and /or of interest?  
Thanks for your consideration,  
Bill

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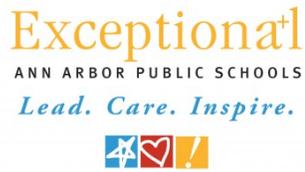
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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Re: MV students in need of transportation support for Connections +  
**Date:** October 23, 2020 at 3:26 PM  
**To:** Maylone, Alicia maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Cc:** Nemecek, Jennifer nemecekj@aaps.k12.mi.us



Thanks Alicia, I have cc'd Jennifer Nemecek on this email so that we can work together since she is on site at Peace and has been talking w/ Bonnie and his team about these families.

I will wait to hear on Monday if this will start for the family on Friday.  
Thanks  
Liz

On Fri, Oct 23, 2020 at 2:03 PM Maylone, Alicia <maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Thanks Liz, the family moving to [REDACTED] has experienced a tremendously difficult year. After so much disruption I think it's best to support any bit of stability and connection they have, especially with Peace being the only in person option between the two. Next year will be tough enough if they have to move schools and are still navigating the circumstances that lead to the displacement. I agree we can assist the family to start building a relationship with CAN, but this also takes time, especially right now without the ability to form in person connections.

Bonnie and his staff have approved of moving the younger children to the MS/HS days. This means we'd only be looking at transportation Mondays and Fridays. Peace is to make a decision by Monday regarding a permanent change to their schedule, but it appears likely that programming will move to Monday afternoons at 12:30-5, Fridays will remain a morning session.

It would probably be advantageous to wait until Monday to finalize any plans. My hope would be that we could begin for both families the following Monday 11/2. Since the students would be in transit during the lunch period on Mondays and possibly missing a few minutes of class on either side, we are awaiting input from schools as well but I don't anticipate a concern.

I don't suppose they'd be allowed to eat on the bus..would they?! Thanks again,

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On Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 4:32 PM Margolis, Liz <margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Sorry....I think we can transport them.....can you provide me with a list and start dates for each family and number of students....I got a bit confused....

The family moving to [REDACTED] may be better served by the [REDACTED] Community Center since it is just over the bridge...?

Liz

On Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 3:14 PM Maylone, Alicia <maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

I thought Jill WAS in agreement?! Thanks again for working on this.

I know Bonnie and Maryann were crunching staffing and student numbers to try to move them all to Mondays and Fridays. It seemed like a strong possibility, and a plan everyone preferred. They were going to follow up with me this week.

As for the [REDACTED]

Since Peace hasn't determined if they will have a change in their schedule, I think the best plan is to assume transportation is needed Monday and Friday mornings for both families. If Peace alters the MS/HS schedule in November, transportation would be needed Monday afternoons and Friday mornings instead.

Thank you,

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On Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 2:12 PM Margolis, Liz <margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi.

I am still working through how we can help these families. See Jen's notes from talking w/ Bonnie at Peace. I still don't have permission from Jill to operate service from them but do you think what Jen is suggesting will work for the families, one or both?

Thanks  
Liz

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From: **Nemecek, Jennifer** <[nemecekj@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:nemecekj@aaps.k12.mi.us)>  
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Subject: Re: MV students in need of transportation support for Connections +  
To: Margolis, Liz <[margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us)>

I can confirm what Alicia said. Bonnie talked about both families today at our meeting. [REDACTED]

We are not bound by the Peace hours either. We have more flexibility. We could keep them all day one of those days, like Monday, or an extended day. In mid-November Peace will change the Monday schedule to give some much-needed support to the high school students after school. I am not 100% sure they want all these 8 kids for the whole day on Monday but at least they would come until 4pm. This change is still under advisement and would not be implemented for a few weeks, however.

If all 8 could come on Mondays and Fridays (with times TBD), this would be economical in that we could reach 8 children who really need more support while their families get back on their feet. This is a long term commitment, however, on the part of AAPS. 8 children do not fit in one car; only a van or bus. Plus, they would need to make sure they were waiting each morning for the bus to come. On Fridays it would be 7:15am and on Mondays, it would be 12:15pm. I see what Peace goes through each morning when kids are not outside waiting for the bus. It has the potential to be a challenge with 8 children in two locations.

If you do get this approved, I think more details might want to come from Bonnie.

Jen

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**To:** Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)



Thanks Liz, the family moving to [REDACTED] has experienced a tremendously difficult year. After so much disruption I think it's best to support any bit of stability and connection they have, especially with Peace being the only in person option between the two. Next year will be tough enough if they have to move schools and are still navigating the circumstances that lead to the displacement. I agree we can assist the family to start building a relationship with CAN, but this also takes time, especially right now without the ability to form in person connections.

Bonnie and his staff have approved of moving the younger children to the MS/HS days. This means we'd only be looking at transportation Mondays and Fridays. Peace is to make a decision by Monday regarding a permanent change to their schedule, but it appears likely that programming will move to Monday afternoons at 12:30-5, Fridays will remain a morning session.

It would probably be advantageous to wait until Monday to finalize any plans. My hope would be that we could begin for both families the following Monday 11/2. Since the students would be in transit during the lunch period on Mondays and possibly missing a few minutes of class on either side, we are awaiting input from schools as well but I don't anticipate a concern.

I don't suppose they'd be allowed to eat on the bus..would they?! Thanks again,

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Sorry....I think we can transport them.....can you provide me with a list and start dates for each family and number of students....I got a bit confused....

The family moving to [REDACTED] may be better served by the Bryant Community Center since it is just over the bridge...?

Liz

On Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 3:14 PM Maylone, Alicia <[maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
I thought Jill WAS in agreement?!! Thanks again for working on this.

I know Bonnie and Maryann were crunching staffing and student numbers to try to move them all to Mondays and Fridays. It seemed like a strong possibility, and a plan everyone preferred. They were going to follow up with me this week.

[REDACTED]

Since Peace hasn't determined if they will have a change in their schedule, I think the best plan is to assume transportation is needed Monday and Friday mornings for both families. If Peace alters the MS/HS schedule in November, transportation would be needed Monday afternoons and Friday mornings instead.

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Thanks  
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I can confirm what Alicia said. Bonnie talked about both families today at our meeting. [REDACTED]

We are not bound by the Peace hours either. We have more flexibility. We could keep them all day one of those days, like Monday, or an extended day. In mid-November Peace will change the Monday schedule to give some much-needed support to the high school students after school. I am not 100% sure they want all these 8 kids for the whole day on Monday but at least they would come until 4pm. This change is still under advisement and would not be implemented for a few weeks, however.

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**Subject:** Fwd: AAPS/Avalon Partnership for Fall  
**Date:** September 11, 2020 at 11:37 AM  
**To:** Nancy Shore [shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)

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Jane Z can help get the list completed for PowerSchool access when you get it from Maria!  
Thanks

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**Date:** Fri, Sep 11, 2020 at 11:11 AM  
**Subject:** Re: AAPS/Avalon Partnership for Fall  
**To:** Shore, Nancy <[shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)>  
**Cc:** Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)>, Maria Samaniego <[msamaniego@avalonhousing.org](mailto:msamaniego@avalonhousing.org)>, Lauren Velez <[lvelez@avalonhousing.org](mailto:lvelez@avalonhousing.org)>

Thanks, Nancy. We will start working on this. I think it makes sense for Maria Samaniego to have the staff access.

On Thu, Sep 10, 2020 at 5:23 PM Shore, Nancy <[shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Thanks, Liz!

Mollie, Maria and Lauren, I just shared a Google Sheet where you can input students in order to get Powerschool Access. As Liz indicated, we will need a Parent Permission Form for any student you are requesting access for.

What we can provide is parent-level access. So we will also need to know which staff member at Avalon we can give access. It can only be one person.

--Nancy

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"We have all known the long loneliness, and we have found that the answer is community"

--Dorothy Day



On Thu, Sep 10, 2020 at 3:53 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Thanks Mollie,

Just remember we can help with devices if students have not picked those up yet and while the initial distribution of school supplies will happen at each school (I will get you specific dates/times when we finalize) we can get boxes to you after that for students who were not able to pick up their supplies.

We are working w/ our IT department on the Schoology training. In order to get the Powerschool access we will need info on the students including parent permission. Nancy, can you get Mollie access to a google form with the info we need so her staff can add it?

Liz

On Thu, Sep 10, 2020 at 2:29 PM Mollie Richards <[mrichards@avalonhousing.org](mailto:mrichards@avalonhousing.org)> wrote:

Hi Liz-

Thanks for reaching out. We are currently gathering info from parents about what support feels most needed at this time. I'm hoping we can have a strong understanding of this in the next few days. I do think whether or not we can support the pods, having access to Schoology and Powerschool would be a definite improvement on behalf of students that have not had

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Thinking of all the school staff this week. I know this has been difficult. Thanks to all of you.

Best,

On Thu, Sep 10, 2020 at 12:50 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hi Mollie,

I am checking in to see if there are ways that AAPS can help the students living in Avalon housing? Were you able to coordinate any learning pods? Do you need staff to have Powerschool/Schoology access/training? Are you in need of supplies for students?

If you would like to have a phone conversation just let me know.

Thank you

Liz

On Tue, Sep 1, 2020 at 4:00 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Thank you Mollie,

As Nancy said we are here to support in the best ways we can keeping health and safety in the forefront.

I want to share that the Community Action Network locations have decided to not host students in their centers due to health concerns. Rather their staff will receive Powerschool access for their students as well as Schoology training to assist with their technology needs and monitor when students are successfully online learning in their classroom. If this is something that Avalon may be more comfortable with we can make arrangements for the access and training. And then when we do go back to the classroom on a blended schedule we can discuss providing more supports to your locations in person.

But know if after your discussion you do decide to host in person supports while virtual learning is going on, we can still provide you with a staff member for a small group of students (under 10) to help support these efforts.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Liz

On Fri, Aug 28, 2020 at 11:46 AM Mollie Richards <[mrichards@avalonhousing.org](mailto:mrichards@avalonhousing.org)> wrote:

Hi Liz and Nancy-

Thank you both for all the work you're doing to support students and family as we all navigate the impacts of covid19 on our communities. I'm certain you are both doing so much right now as we head into the school year. I'm writing to follow up in regards to where Avalon is in regards to moving forward with a Connection+ partnership.

We are dedicated to supporting our families as best we can in navigating virtual learning. We are also working through capacity issues in regards to staffing and space. Additionally, we are thinking through safety protocols and what would happen if someone was sick (covid19 or not). Lastly, and maybe most importantly we want to connect with our families and make sure they are interested in attending support at our centers and assess for any other needs/support they may need.

Starting next week we will be connecting with our families to get an understanding as to what support they need around school in the fall and who would be interested in joining a Connection+ pod. Once we have that information we feel we will be more prepared to move forward with a more concrete plan.

We will stay connected as we start to understand who would be interested.

Again, thank you for all the incredible work and support. Please reach out with any questions!

Best,

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**Subject:** Re: Child care position Connection+  
**Date:** October 7, 2020 at 10:16 AM  
**To:** Hurtado, Silvia hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us



Hi Silvia  
It is posted in the Internal Postings. Here is a link

<https://www.applitrack.com/WISD/onlineapp/jobpostings/view.asp?internaltransferform.Url=advanced&internal=internal&district=1192&category=Community+Education%2FChildren+Services>

Liz

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On Oct 7, 2020, at 9:43 AM, Hurtado, Silvia <hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hello Liz;

I am part of the child care community, I would like to apply for the job posted # 114384 but I cannot find it on the AA public School website. Could you please let me know where to apply and if this position offers health insurance as I used to have in the child care job?

I am bilingual (Spanish /English) if this helps.

Thanks a lot

Silvia Hurtado



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**To:** Hurtado, Silvia hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us

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And we do have a placement at a center that serves Latinx students!

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I am bilingual (Spanish /English) if this helps.

Thanks a lot

Silvia Hurtado

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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Re: Child care position Connection+  
**Date:** October 7, 2020 at 4:34 PM  
**To:** Hurtado, Silvia hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us



At this point I have a need at AACLC -Ann Arbor Community Learning Center. It is located at Christ of the Good Shepherd Church on Independence off Packard. They serve 25 hispanic students each day from 8am-4pm but if you are not looking for full time I can consider half days or a few full days a week. These are AAPS students who are being monitored by one Montessori teacher and an assistant. The pastor of the church is there full time. We have very defined supports that we can (and can't) offer. It will be mainly ensuring the students are online in their classes.

Liz

On Wed, Oct 7, 2020 at 4:30 PM Hurtado, Silvia <[hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Great, That is what I need, Could you let me know what locations are available?

Thanks

Silvia

On Wed, Oct 7, 2020 at 3:39 PM Liz Margolis <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
It offers the same insurance that you have as a child care employee.

I do have a locations that has Spanish speaking children and operates from 8am-4pm daily.

Liz

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 7, 2020, at 3:31 PM, Hurtado, Silvia <[hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Liz, Great thank you so much;

Just one more question before I apply, does this position offer health insurance benefits? That is what I am looking for. If not, any suggestions?

Thanks again

Silvia

On Wed, Oct 7, 2020 at 10:57 AM Liz Margolis <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
And we do have a placement at a center that serves Latinx students!

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 7, 2020, at 10:47 AM, Hurtado, Silvia <[hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Thank you, I will check it out.

Best regards

Silvia

On Wed, Oct 7, 2020 at 10:16 AM Liz Margolis <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hi Silvia

It is posted in the Internal Postings. Here is a link

<https://www.applitrack.com/WISD/onlineapp/jobpostings/view.asp?internaltransferform.Url=advanced&internal=internal&district=1192&category=Community+Education%2FChildren+Services>

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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Re: Connection plus job  
**Date:** October 13, 2020 at 2:19 PM  
**To:** Hurtado, Silvia hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us



Thanks Silvia,  
October 19 start is fine as is not working Tuesday. If you can meet me and Jennifer at AACLC at 8am on Monday, Oct 18 we can work together to meet everyone and get you settled.

You will be paid the same rate as your childcare rate and you will receive the same insurance benefits. No offer letter is necessary. I will approve the PAF and your account will be set up. I have linked the online timesheet for you to fill out each week and return to me and I will send to finance for payment on the normal bi-weekly schedule. There are no other benefits then what you were receiving through the childcare agreement.

[Fillable Timesheet](#)

I am so glad you have agreed to support the Connections+ program at AACLC. Remember, this is their program and we are just there to support them!

See you next week,  
Liz

On Tue, Oct 13, 2020 at 12:14 PM Hurtado, Silvia <[hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:hurtados@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hello Liz;

Thanks for all the information. I worked out my schedule but I will not be able to start this week. I will on october 19th if you are OK with that. Also, I could not change an appointment I have on October 20th so I will not be able to work that tuesday. All other activities are now controlled. I am planning to work full time next week except for tuesday.

I have a couple of questions, What is going to be my pay rate? Do I get the same health insurance or I need to enroll again? Are you going to give me an offer letter? What other benefits may be eligible to get?

Thanks a lot for your help and clarification of my questions in advance.

Have a great day.

Silvia  
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**From:** Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Subject:** Re: Connection+ Update  
**Date:** September 8, 2020 at 2:18 PM  
**To:** Shore, Nancy [shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Cc:** Nemecek, Jennifer [nemecekj@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:nemecekj@aaps.k12.mi.us)



Understand! Thanks. No, I think Jen will have her hands full at Peace. I will know today if Jane is available. I think she works with Candy in student accounting so has the ability to know what to do w/ support from Julie!

On Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 2:05 PM Shore, Nancy <[shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
So right now we are trying to get Peace and CAN staff parent-login like access to PowerSchool, right?

I was thinking that Jen might be able to do this instead of Jane. She would need to be told how, though.

Feel free to call if this is confusing. Sometimes it can be hard to communicate over email.

--Nancy

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On Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 1:48 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Yes, she has full access. Add people to what? sorry...

On Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 1:41 PM Shore, Nancy <[shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Liz,  
Also FYI Jen does have Powerschool access so maybe she could also add people?  
--Nancy

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On Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 1:12 PM Shore, Nancy <[shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Thanks, Liz.

Jen: I just shared the tracking form template that has the info needed. Also attaching here. It sounds like you can provide that to Jane.

Let me know if anyone needs anything else.  
--Nancy



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On Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 12:58 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Looks like if I get approval for Jane to work on this we will need one contact name at Peace (Still waiting to hear from Avalon). Jennifer, can you check to see if this will be Bonnie or another one of his staff members?

Thanks

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Rozelle-Williams, Candyce** <[rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us)>  
Date: Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 12:53 PM  
Subject: Re: Connection+ Update  
To: Margolis, Liz <[margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us)>  
Cc: Walstra, Julie <[walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us)>, Daniel Berger <[bergerd@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:bergerd@aaps.k12.mi.us)>

Hi Liz,

We just need to approval for Jane to work on this (not sure how this works or who needs to approve, maybe Dawn?) and Jane probably needs to be asked. Once approved, I can work with Julie to make sure Jane has the access she needs and then I can show her how to proceed. The list of students would include full name, DOB and school (this won't always be right, but is helpful).

Also for Peace and Avalon we need a person to assign the parent account to. With CAN it's Derrick Miller. We will need full name, position and organization email address. FYI - parents will be able to see this person listed in their student's account.

Thanks, Candy

On Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 12:36 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Thank you!

We have the list from Peace and it does include parent permission. It is in a google doc.

I can surely get approval for Jane to help I am just not sure if she should contact Julie to get this done?? I am not sure what I am asking...? Does Jane need to confirm each student's student number? They include their gmail addresses in the google spreadsheet. I know we will be getting this from the CAN locations soon as well.

Liz

On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 6:45 PM Walstra, Julie <[walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Two ways to work it. Add kids to the contact or a data access account on each kid. Least invasive is to add a role to a view account that only has edit access on contacts. Will make myself a ticket.

On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 5:04 PM Rozelle-Williams, Candyce <[rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:rozelle@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Liz, like we talked about before, we need someone like Jane Z to help with the initial account access work. The person will need district access in PS to do this. I have not had a chance to inquire about help. Caryn arranged for Jane to help with our phones. I think you offered to arrange help in our last thread. Can you arrange for this?

Julie, is there a way to make an account just for connecting students to parent accounts without giving access to change everything else?

Thanks!!

On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 4:12 PM Walstra, Julie <[walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:walstra@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Child Accounting maintains the access accounts for the community center staff and students.

On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 3:54 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hi everyone,

I want to loop you into the first phase of the Connections+ program with Peace Neighborhood Center.

Jennifer and I met with Bonnie and his team today. Jennifer is set to be at Peace on Tuesday and will be working with ensuring their students have technology next week during orientation week.

Heather, we will really need a direct connection with your office to match students from the Peace program with those who still need devices. Jennifer will work on picking up those devices from ITD along with the proper paperwork and deliver devices to the Peace students.

Julie, Jennifer is getting a spreadsheet with all the proper information on each Peace student in their program including parent permission so we can get Peace staff connected to PowerSchool.

We will also need to engage the Schoology training for Peace staff although many stumbled through it this summer. I will contact James directly with Jennifer to get that scheduled.

We are also asking if there is a district access code so that Jennifer can help students get into Schoology if they don't have their Clever badge or a direct line of who she can call?

The key is the connection. We want to ensure that the students from Peace are connected to their schools and that the schools know Jennifer is the conduit between them and Peace. If a student is not online in the morning, Jennifer can work with Peace staff to track down the student. If a para is assigned to a Peace student they need to know Jennifer is their connection as well as the teacher and principal. Of course we are not replacing the Peace staff but providing more of a direct chain of support.

We expect this program to grow so your support as we kick off is vital!

Thank you

Liz

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## **Ann Arbor Public Schools Connections+** **Fall Update 9/3/2020**

The Ann Arbor Public Schools, as part of our current Strategic Partnerships program, is working to create levels of support in collaboration with a selected network of partners via local community centers and organizations through the **Connections+** program.

**Connections+** supports students in their virtual classroom learning through either the A2 Student Link or A2 Classroom Connection programs in collaboration with our Strategic Partners. A majority the **Connections+** program will remain virtual while students are in virtual learning. **Connections+** support is not instructional support but rather the AAPS staff member provides a link to the classroom ensuring students are connected and actively participating in virtual learning. As AAPS moves students back into the classroom on a blended schedule additional in person **Connections+** supports will be activated in our schools and at additional Strategic Partner organizations.

AAPS **Connections+** will concentrate supports for students who are not consistently logging into their virtual classrooms and/or have not been progressing in their learning. These supports will be in place at each school. AAPS staff will be assigned to students for the purpose of working directly with teachers on issues of connectivity in the home, ability to access technology, and mental health and wellness. **Connections+** staff, who are a wide range of AAPS employees including Paraprofessionals, Community Assistants, Teacher Assistants and other staff, will also be in contact with the parent/guardian as well as staff at the community centers, providing the vital connection between the student and the school.

Please note that **Connections+** is not direct instruction or service provision in a school building. Rather it is the opportunity for students to be supervised virtually while accessing their online learning classrooms. Where **Connections +** allows for a student's IEP to be implemented, no IEP Amendment and GFECPL will be required. For those students where **Connections +** is not sufficient to provide a FAPE, an IEP Amendment and GFECPL will be developed.

### **Phase I Connections+** **Fall 2020 - All Students Participating in Online Learning**

#### **Strategic Partner Community Centers**

AAPS will make every attempt to assign an AAPS staff member (not teacher) to the designated community center based on a partner agreement while AAPS is in virtual learning. Students associated with partners and community centers will engage in their virtual classrooms at one of the selected community centers. This assistance is designed to establish critical check-ins with students and ensure they are actively contributing and engaged in the virtual classroom during the community center supervised sessions. While AAPS teachers are engaged with their classrooms virtually additional AAPS staff will provide technology support and work with the community center staff member on any issues that arise. The AAPS staff member will actively build relationships with the students, assist in managing their learning day and be a resource for technology issues that require additional ITD support.

During this phase the community center must follow AAPS health and safety protocols and restrict each student group to less than 10 students per the Governor's Emergency Order.

The AAPS staff member will not provide instruction.

### **AAPS Connections+ School Support**

For AAPS students not directly served by a Strategic Partner community center, AAPS staff will be assigned a caseload of students who are not showing progress in their classes to build relationships and support the student and their family to ensure the student is connected and actively participating in the virtual learning platforms. This support will be virtual unless a decision is made by the school administration to conduct a home visit.

The AAPS staff member will not provide instruction.

## **Phase 2 Connections+ Blended Classroom Supports**

When it is determined to be safe to return to the classrooms on a blended schedule, **Connections+** staff will continue to provide additional support to students on their virtual learning days at the community centers as well as the potential to develop small support groups in the schools. As in Phase 1, support will be focused on helping students access and participate in their virtual learning sessions. Direct instruction continues to be provided by the classroom teacher as defined in each phase. Health and safety protocols as agreed upon for Phase 1 must continue.

**Connections+** is intended to support local non-profit organizations who have an established partnership with the Ann Arbor Public Schools as well as use AAPS staff for critical relationship building and support for students who are not served by the community centers. During Phase 2 of the district's classroom implementation plan, additional community organizations can be considered for **Connections+** support.

### **Connections+ Information to the AAPS Community - Guidelines and Tips**

AAPS knows that other learning groups are being formed throughout the community to support parents and students during this challenging time of the COVID pandemic. To help parents and other organizations who have formed these student learning groups we have compiled suggested guidelines, tips and resources to help sustain a successful virtual classroom learning environment.

**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Re: Connection+  
**Date:** October 19, 2020 at 5:02 PM  
**To:** Jordan, Sathorina jordans@aaps.k12.mi.us



Sam, We think a Monday and Friday schedule won't be the best way to serve students and develop relationships. Frequently these days are the lightest at each of the locations.

Liz

On Mon, Oct 19, 2020 at 4:52 PM Jordan, Sathorina <jordans@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:  
Ok, thanks for the update.

Does the other location need help on Monday and Friday? Until something opens up at Peace

On Mon, Oct 19, 2020 at 4:48 PM Margolis, Liz <margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi Sam,

We regrouped today regarding the Connections+ locations. At this time with your schedule only allowing for a Monday and Friday at Peace, we will have to wait on your placement to the Connections+ program. Monday and Friday are the lightest days at Peace so we want to see first if things develop on these days before we commit to more staffing needs.

I will keep you updated and thank you for your interest in this position.

Liz

On Tue, Oct 13, 2020 at 4:56 PM Jordan, Sathorina <jordans@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

I can start Monday October 19 or the following Monday October 26  
We discussed Peace Neighborhood Center  
7:45 to 12:45

And if needed I could work the afternoon

I can only work Monday and Friday

Sam Jordan

On Tue, Oct 13, 2020 at 4:40 PM Margolis, Liz <margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi Pam

I am sorry I haven't gotten back to you about the Connections+ position

Please remind me what we had discussed in terms of location. Are you able to work at Peace Neighborhood Center? They serve students Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 7:45am-12:45pm. They are now expanding into afternoons as well.

There is also the Connections+ support at AACLC which is located in the Church of the Good Shepherd off Independence which serves Hispanic students. They operate every day 8am - 4pm.

You would receive the same hourly rate as you do in Childcare and the same benefits.

Let me know what works and we can start you next week.

Thank you

Liz

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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Connections+ guideines  
**Date:** September 18, 2020 at 6:33 PM  
**To:** Nancy Shore shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us



I updated a lot of the document. I made some changes and didn't check if the headlines actually link to the table of content. Can you review that please? I added links and other items.

If you can review and maybe Jennifer can as well, I think it is good to post and share. When it is ready I can ask John for a page to load it then I can share w/ Instructional council, have Andrew share and ask principals to share.

You can share w/ Connection+ programs when the link is live...

Sound OK?

Liz

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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Connections+ Needs  
**Date:** October 12, 2020 at 2:51 PM  
**To:** ITD Help Desk helpdesk@aaps.k12.mi.us, Heather Kellstrom kellstromh@aaps.k12.mi.us

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Hi,  
We need a hotspot (2) at AACLC, one of the Connection+ locations.

I would also like to request two laptops for two new Connections+ staff members:

Donna Hawthorne  
Silvia Hurtado

Please let me know if I need to do anything to acquire these items.

Thank you  
Liz

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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Connections+ Position  
**Date:** September 30, 2020 at 12:44 PM  
**To:** Donna Hawthorne hawthorned@aaps.k12.mi.us



Hi Donna,  
Nice to speak with you this morning.

Attached is a description of the Connections+ program. Basically we are providing supports to community centers who are serving AAPS students on site while they are in their virtual classrooms. This is not an instruction position. It is to monitor kids to ensure they are online in their classes, help Peace with any technology issues (you don't have to do the actual tech, just provide connections to our IT department) and a few other monitoring assistance.

If you decide to join us, we will connect you with Jennifer Nemecek to determine a start date to get you orientated. Peace Neighborhood Center is located on Maple Rd.

Here are the hours needed:  
7:30-7:45am - 12:30pm Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday  
There is a staff meeting at Peace on Wednesday so that will be another few hours.

You will be paid your current childcare rate and submit a timesheet weekly.

If you are interested and available, we do have another in-person program at a church off Packard on Independence. They serve about 25 students, mainly hispanic for full days. If you are interested in more hours we can work towards afternoons at this location.

Please let me know of any questions you have.

Thank you  
Liz

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**From:** Liz Margolis margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Re: dst\_announce Reimagine Learning Plan  
**Date:** July 23, 2020 at 10:03 PM  
**To:** Geffen, Bruce geffen@aaps.k12.mi.us



Thanks Bruce. I so hope we can continue in the same format but we are waiting to hear from MDE. I will let you know as soon as we hear. Thank you again for offering!!  
Liz

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 23, 2020, at 10:01 PM, Geffen, Bruce <geffen@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Good evening Ms. Margolis.

With this announcement, I take it that food distribution will be needed again. If so, would you please include me? I will be more than happy to deliver to the same group of families I worked with during the Spring.

Thank you!

Bruce Geffen  
A2Virtual+  
Social Studies Instructor  
[geffen@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:geffen@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
734 262 3304  
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**From:** Swift, Jeanice <[swift@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:swift@aaps.k12.mi.us)>  
**Date:** Thu, Jul 23, 2020 at 6:14 PM  
**Subject:** dst\_announce Reimagine Learning Plan  
**To:** District Announcement <[dst\\_announce@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:dst_announce@aaps.k12.mi.us)>

To the AAPS Team,

As we approach the end of July next week, it's natural to turn our attention to back-to-school, and yet we all understand that this is a most stressful time in considering the upcoming 2020-21 school year in the context of the current COVID pandemic.

Thank you for your amazing work, AAPS team, throughout the spring and during this summer season. Many thanks to those who are working in our summer learning programs and as we dig into preparing for next year.

We will be sharing much more relevant information with you over the coming days, as we continue to monitor daily COVID infection rates and work together in planning and organizing our work in service to children for the 2020-21 school year. I am confident that, together, we will rise to this challenge, and I appreciate each of you.

We discussed the planning in progress for the upcoming school year 2020-21 at the Board of Education Study Session last evening, exploring the following issues:

- [Overview of AAPS Reimagine Learning Plan](#) 2020-21
- [Public Health Update](#): COVID and planning for a return to schools

•Highlights [Draft Reimagine Learning Plan, Fall 2020](#)

You can follow the links above for more in-depth information on these topics, or if you are interested in watching videos from the meeting, they are available [here](#). Yet, I wanted to provide in this email general highlights of what staff and families can expect when the school year kicks off.

### **Student Safety First**

Student safety remains our top priority, even before teaching and learning. We are hard-wired for student safety: whether it's a regular school activity, such as serving on bus or street-crossing duty, conducting safety drills or, as a Superintendent, remaining watchful overnight to monitor Michigan winter weather to make the safe weather call for student safety. At times, decisions represent a more significant milestone, such as: fighting a court battle to the Michigan Supreme Court to prevent the open carry of weapons in Ann Arbor and Michigan schools or, back in March, making the anguishing decision to close school buildings to protect students and staff, and today, as we evaluate the prospect of a back-to-school season amidst a historic COVID pandemic. As educators and Trustees, we are designed for student safety; student safety is in our very DNA, and this ever-present priority is what drives our considerations, discussion and decision-making today.

### **The Recommendation**

At this time, as the science and current data do not yet support the safe return of all students to in-person instruction in our buildings, the Ann Arbor Public Schools will begin the 2020-21 school year on a virtual learning status.

The week of August 31<sup>st</sup> is designated as a week of preparation and onboarding activities for AAPS students and families with support from our AAPS team. We will share more specific details about this week of orientation during August.

[All students will report to class online to begin the 2020-21 school year, and learning will be in session in the AAPS, starting on Tuesday morning, September 8<sup>th</sup>.](#)

This Fall 2020 virtual learning approach will feature daily, real-time, interactive learning, students directly engaged with quality AAPS teachers, classes, curricula and broad program offerings. Please note: the plans for fall will provide a dramatically different and improved interactive education experience from the spring experience.

When COVID data supports a safe return to in-person instruction, the AAPS will deploy a phased approach, bringing students in by grade levels and monitoring health data during this process, beginning with the youngest and students with the most need first.

During the 2020-21 school year, three program choices are available to parents.

AAPS programs feature quality AAPS teachers and rich AAPS curricula and programs. These programs include engagement with students, teachers and classes in a real-time, synchronous classroom that provides for regular feedback, skill development, grades and accrues academic progress toward the next grade level and credit toward graduation.

These program offerings include:

**A2 Classroom Connect** - a classroom learning opportunity with quality AAPS teachers and staff, curricula and programs that begins virtually, and when it is safe, students will migrate first to a hybrid schedule and then potentially to full, in-person learning. When needed throughout this school year, students may access this classroom virtually.

**A2 Student Link** – a classroom learning opportunity with quality AAPS teachers and staff, curricula and programs where students are a member of a virtual class, and these students intend to remain entirely virtual AAPS students through at least the fall semester.

**A2 Virtual (Grade 6 -12)** – an independent learning option where students complete their work in a self-paced approach, receive teacher feedback and engage with their teacher one time per week in an interactive session.

### **Connections Base Camp Groups**

Continuing throughout the 2020-21 school year, all AAPS students will be situated and meet regularly in base camp groups (also known by several names across AAPS schools as advisory, forum, SkyTime, etc.). These groups build connections, develop relationships and ensure social-emotional supports are in place throughout the year.

### **Connection+ Plus Supports**

During the time of virtual learning and continuing throughout the 2020-21 school year, AAPS students with the most needs will be provided additional connections and support in small group settings to ensure real-time student and family supports are delivered.

Connection+ Supports are tailored for those students for whom accessing virtual learning presents the greatest challenge. This network of support groups will occur virtually and/or in-person at in-neighborhood community locations, using a safe and socially-distanced approach, dependent on COVID infection circumstances.

Food and nutrition distribution will continue throughout this time, as we have done consistently since March 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Next Steps**

We will be back in touch over the coming days with more information, to provide opportunities for input and feedback on our planning and to connect with parents

to reserve their fall program preference for their students.

We all understand the most important steps we must take each day in this community to stabilize and improve rates of infection so that we can move forward to return our students and staff to in-person learning in our school buildings:

- Wear a Mask
- Watch Our Distance – 6 ft.
- Wash Our Hands

As we approach this ‘back-to-school’ season, we all hear and understand the collective cry during this COVID time to get ‘back’ to normal, yet we recognize that for this 2020-21 school year, we will not return in the familiar way we used to do school. Instead, we are moving forward to a new way of learning and school, to reimagine learning, to innovate our approach to best serve our students, support our staff, return to school and enrich a healthy Ann Arbor community.

It takes a ‘whole village to raise our children’ well, and there is no more meaningful endeavor in a strong community. This COVID pandemic reminds us of how closely we are all connected; our fates are inextricably tied together, even in the very air we breathe.

We know this Ann Arbor Public Schools community will rise to this current challenge, support each other and together, we will see our way to better days ahead.

Sincerely,

Jeanice Swift  
Superintendent of Schools



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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Re: Just FYI from FAQs  
**Date:** August 7, 2020 at 2:46 PM  
**To:** Shore, Nancy shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us



Yes, this freaks me out....I don't think I have permission to change it yet...

On Fri, Aug 7, 2020 at 1:54 PM Shore, Nancy <[shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Liz,

There is an FAQ about student supports that has some info about Connections+:

The AAPS is currently organizing Connection+ groups that will convene small groups of students, in neighborhood locations and/or virtually if conditions require, with AAPS professional staff who will support students with accessing learning, specialized learning services, completing assignments, offering mental health and other needed supports.

Just wanted to share in case this needs to be changed given what's decided.

--Nancy

<https://www.a2schools.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=16174>

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"We have all known the long loneliness, and we have found that the answer is community"  
--Dorothy Day



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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Re: List of Connection+ Centers  
**Date:** August 10, 2020 at 9:25 AM  
**To:** Kellstrom, Heather kellstromh@aaps.k12.mi.us



Hi Heather,

We are still working on that. If the plan is approved we will have virtual supports for these locations. We are confident that Peace can have staff ready but CAN and Avalon are still working on it... I will let you know, hopefully this week, what has been approved.  
Liz

- Peace Neighborhood Center
- CAN Locations
  - Arrowwood
  - Bryant Community Center
  - Hikone
  - Green/Baxter
- Avalon Housing
  - Carrot Way
  - 1500 Pauline
  - 701 Miller

On Sun, Aug 9, 2020 at 9:57 AM Kellstrom, Heather <kellstromh@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi Liz,

Just checking in to get a list of the Connection+ Centers. My techies start back up on August 17th and we'll need to allocate those centers as locations that they also support for the 20-21 school year. When you provide the list, can you also provide the address and key contacts to?

Thanks!

Dr. Heather Kellstrom  
Interim Executive Director of Instructional Technology and Information Systems  
Ann Arbor Public Schools  
Cell Phone: [REDACTED]

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**Teacher & Staff - 734-994-5040 / M-F 7:30a-4:30p**  
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**From:** Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Subject:** Re: MV students in need of transportation support for Connections +  
**Date:** October 21, 2020 at 11:56 AM  
**To:** Maylone, Alicia [maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Cc:** Dawn Linden [lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us)



Alicia,  
So for now are we set or do you have students with transportation needs beside the Peace family - which I am still looking into with Jennifer?

We have not engaged cab service yet but we do have bus drivers...as we discussed I just want to make sure we are all in agreement with the type of transportation we are providing and meeting the requirements.

Thanks  
Liz

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 3:17 PM Maylone, Alicia <[maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Agreed Liz. It is a finer line, but I'm not sure it's required. My hope was that we could think about this accomodation as a support to some very in need students and to strengthen our Connection+ partnership. I don't think we need to be concerned with setting a precedent with Peace, this is a short term situation, but could carry some longer term educational impacts.

If not through general funds, I'm not sure how Title would assess this. Joanna would be the best source for that information. I might be able to get some support from ISD as well, but they typically fund two days of transportation only.

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020, 1:50 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Thank you Alicia,  
I am going to have Jennifer Nemecek who is on site at Peace double check on these students with Maryann and Bonnie at Peace and see how we can perhaps combine their days. Then I will speak with Jill again regarding transportation. The issue we are debating is that we would be transporting them to a non-AAPS program but since we are supporting this program what does that legally mean...and I don't mean to make this about legal requirements...we just need to be clear on the service we provide...

Back to you soon,  
Liz

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 11:57 AM Maylone, Alicia <[maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:maylonea@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Liz,

Here are the two families struggling to get to Peace on a regular basis. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Thank you for your support.

Alicia Maylone  
McKinney-Vento and Foster Care Liaison  
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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Re: Program at COGS Inquiry  
**Date:** September 14, 2020 at 2:43 PM  
**To:** Paula Manrique Gomez Pfeffer ppfeffer@umich.edu



Paula,  
Just to follow up on this request from Friday...

We will need permissions from parents before we can begin looking at these requests. We will also need to know what school these students attend so we can connect them with their school social worker and determine needs. I can share the names of students with IEPs with our special ed staff but again, I need schools and grades. At this point the special ed staff is working directly with families. If translation is needed we can provide that. We are finding out the best way to share IEPs with Connection+ programs as to not violate FERPA.

Thank you  
Liz

On Thu, Sep 10, 2020 at 8:25 PM Paula Manrique Gomez Pfeffer <ppfeffer@umich.edu> wrote:

Dear Liz,

Thank you very much for your time and for providing the COGS learning center so much!

I wanted to share with you some students who we would like to have at the center, who need extra assistance:

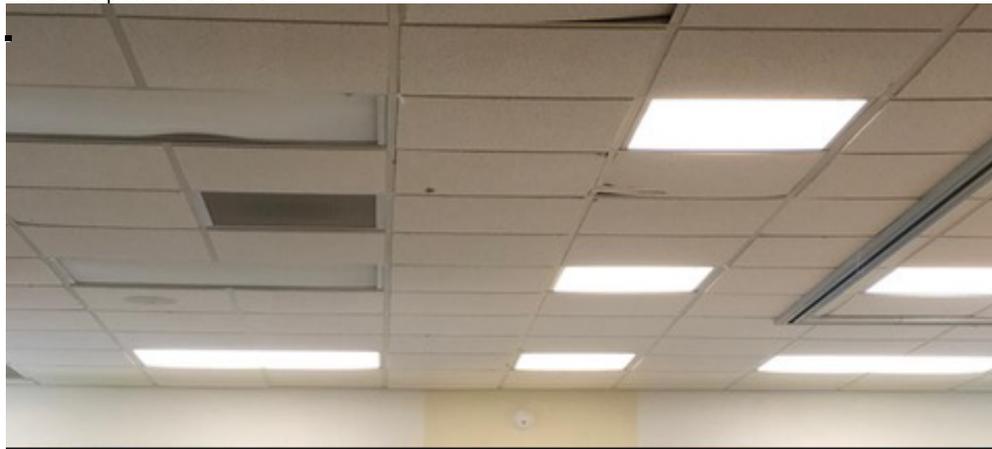
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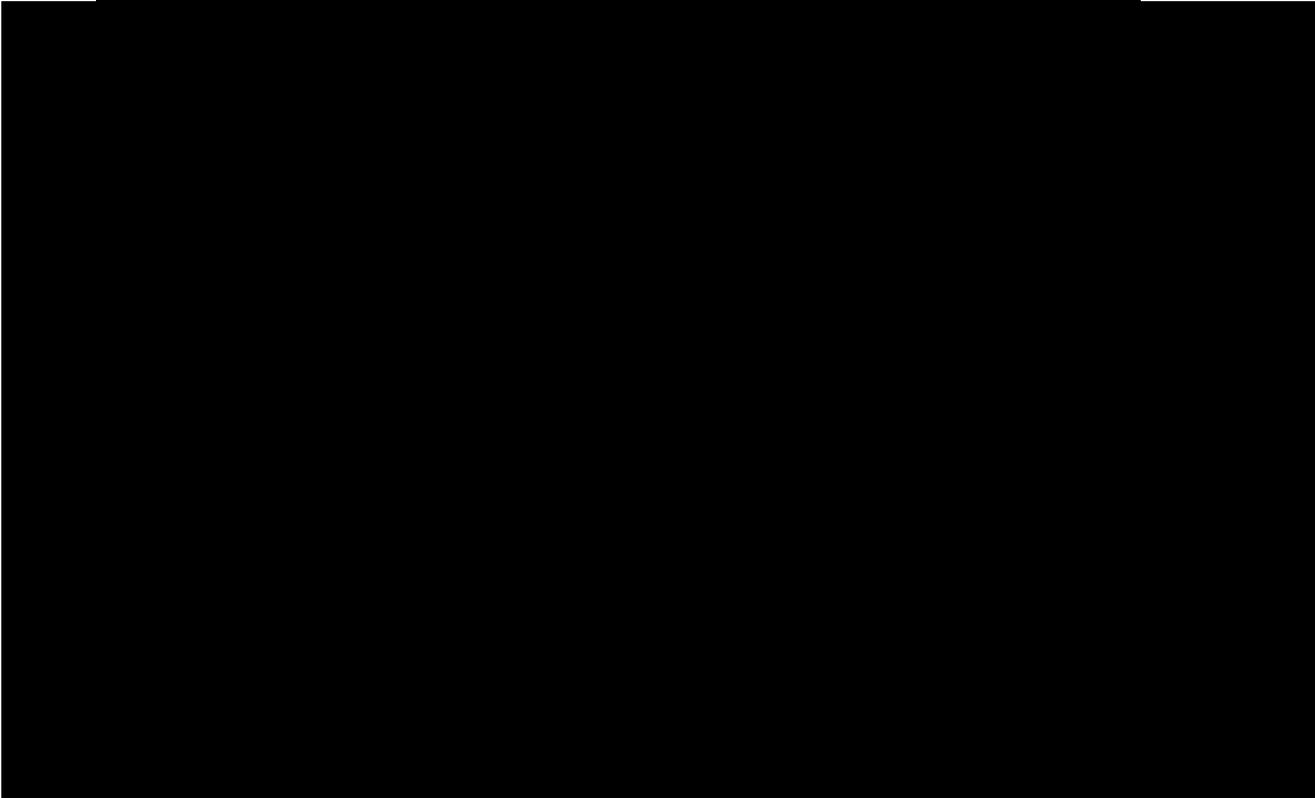
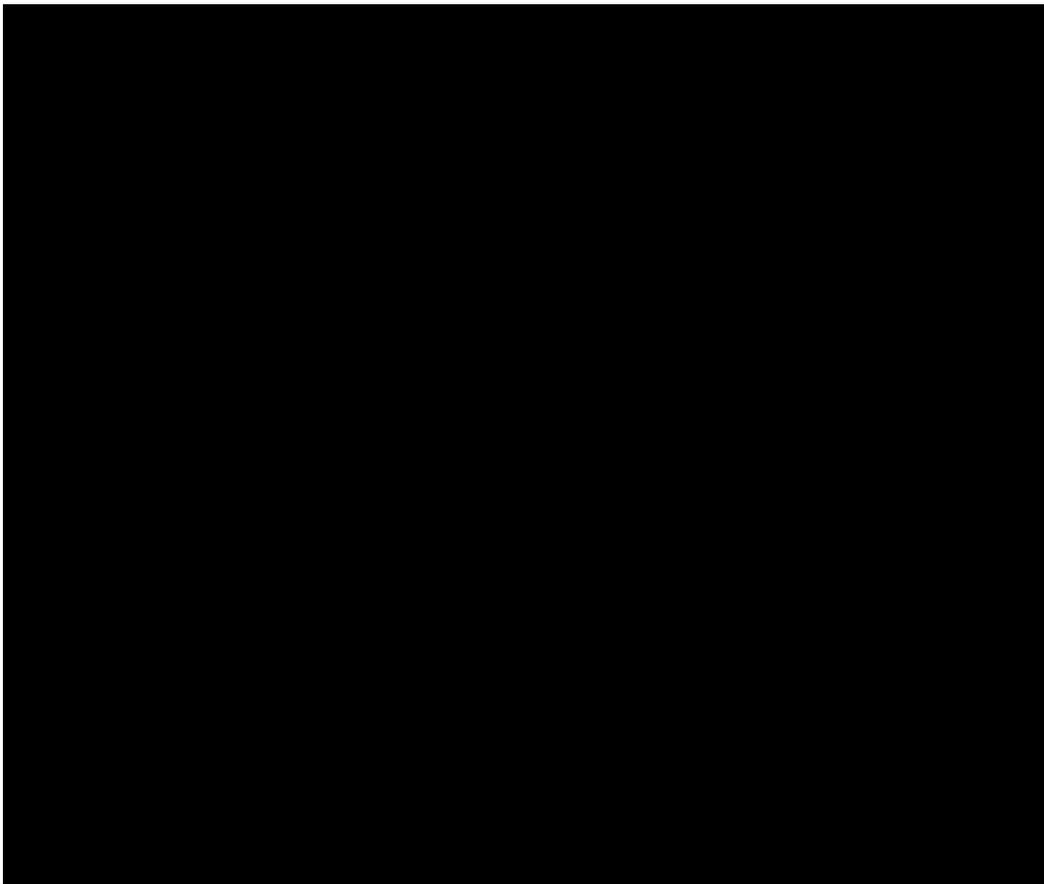
Any help would be greatly appreciated.

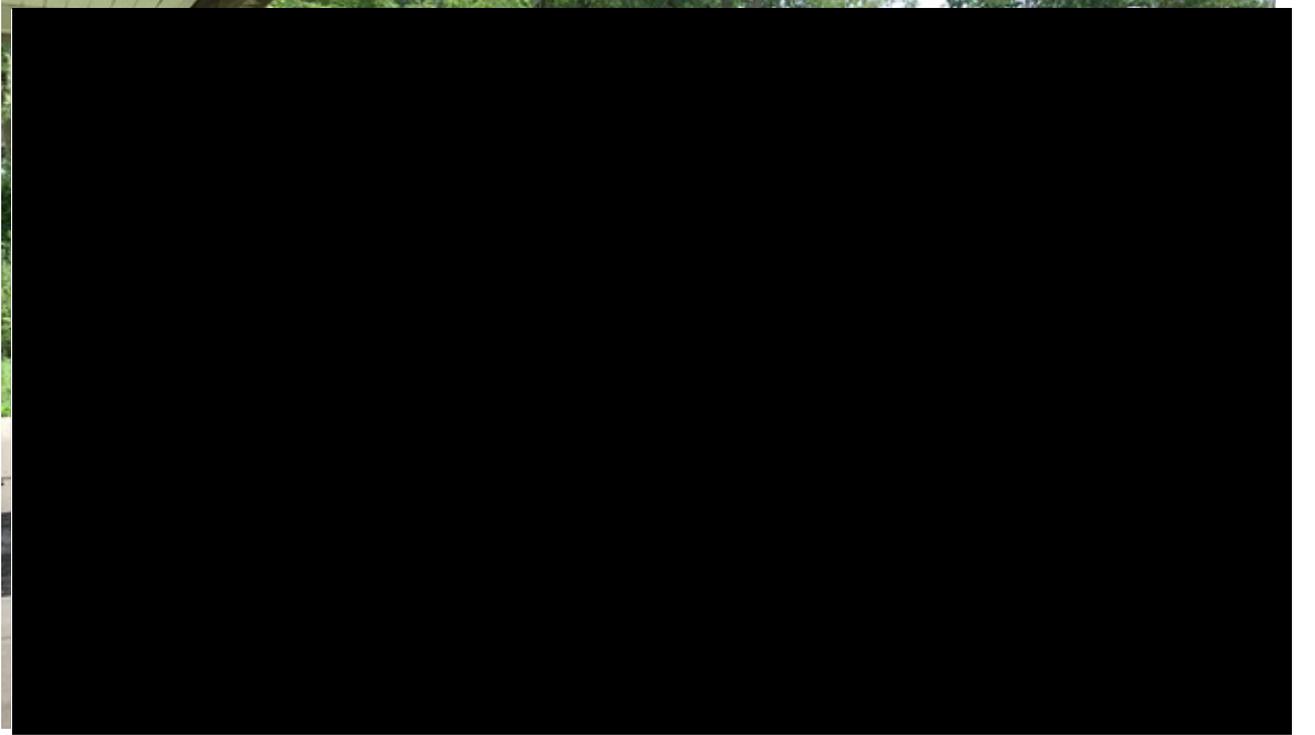
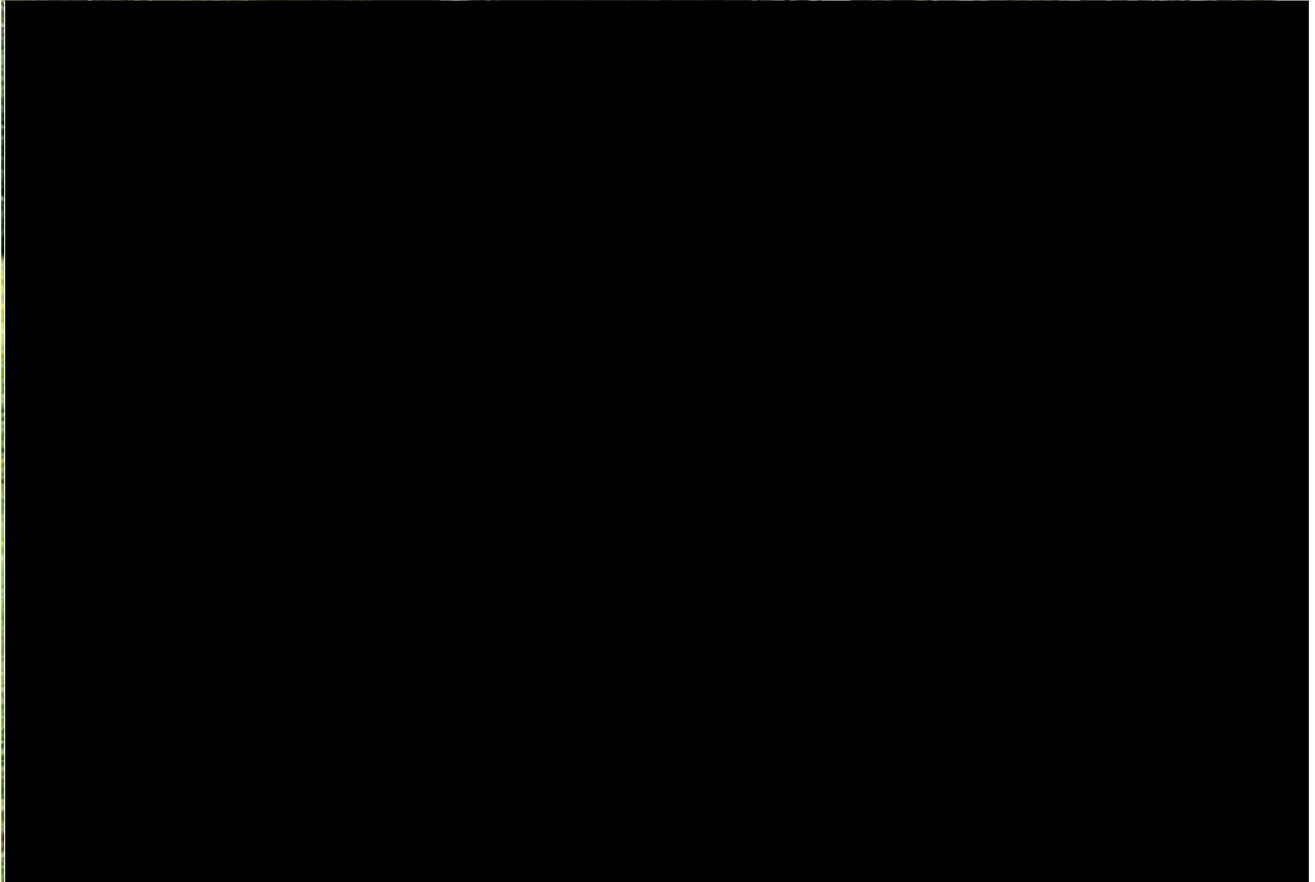
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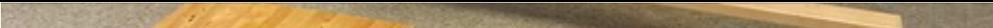
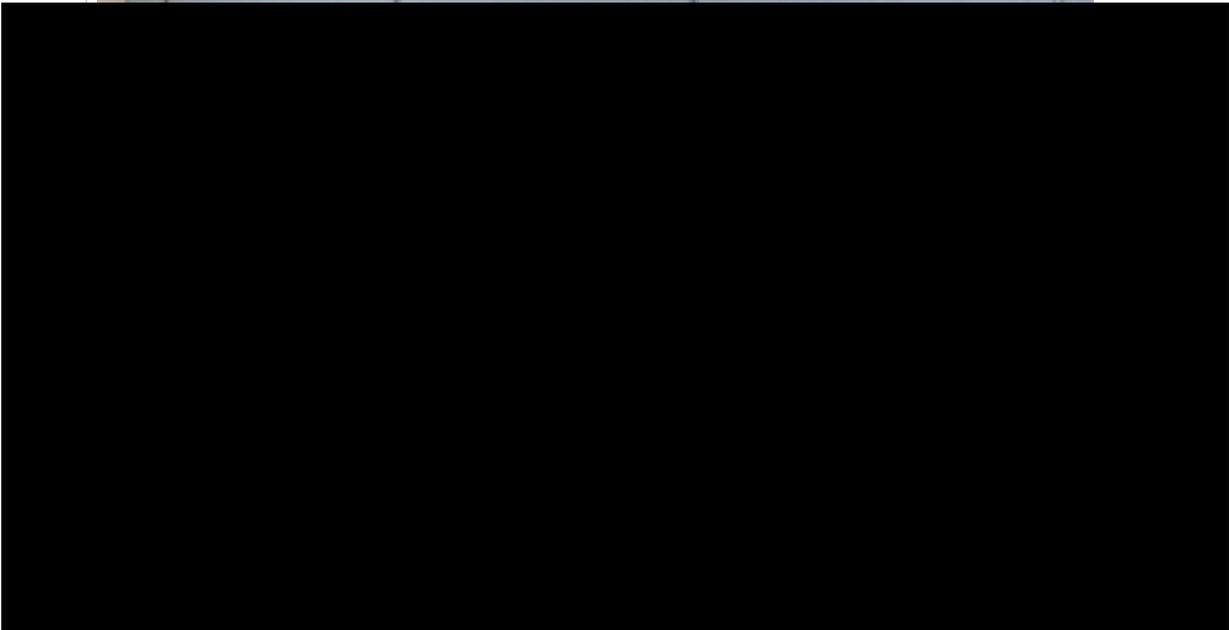
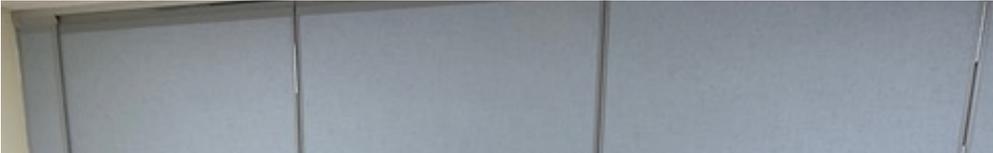
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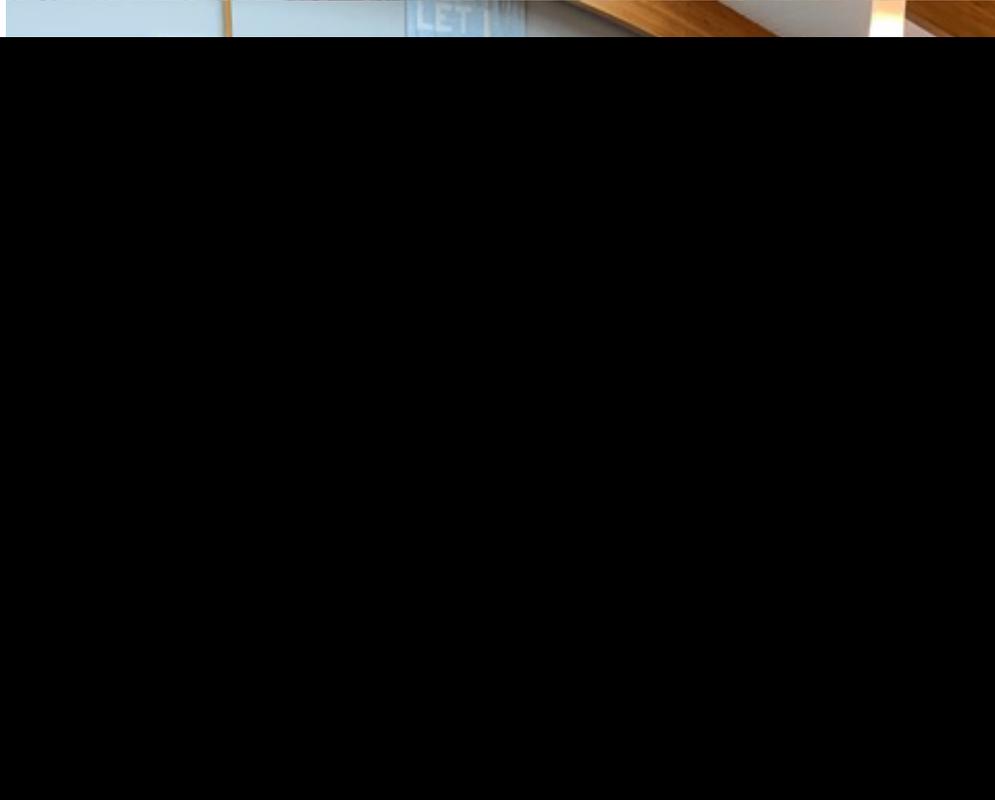
PS: Some pictures of the week.











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**From:** Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)

**Subject:** Re: Schoology Access for CAN/PEACE

**Date:** November 5, 2020 at 4:03 PM

**To:** Linden, Dawn [lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us), Heather Kellstrom [kellstromh@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:kellstromh@aaps.k12.mi.us)

**Cc:** Nancy Shore [shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)

LM

Folks, I am looping back to this with some further rationale as to why CAN, Peace and Avalon in the future, would like Schoology access.

It is helpful for them to have this access for the students they serve to help monitor their assignments, download assignments, print and support students in a more comprehensive way.

These community centers also provide a lot of support during asynchronous times and it is logistically much more challenging to get each student's Schoology accounts individually, which was also a big reason that they had a consolidated Powerschool account so that staff could login and review academic and attendance information for all of our students instead of logging in and out for each one.

When working with a few hundred kids a day, it really becomes problematic for them, they report and I can understand.

A parent login might be sufficient but if they can have it set up by toggling between kids without having to sign in and out for every kid would be tremendously helpful. Frankly, they report that any access at this point would be helpful as it has severely limited their ability to help some of the kids on a consistent basis.

Thank you  
Liz

On Wed, Oct 21, 2020 at 2:26 PM Linden, Dawn <[lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

I think we need your help with this one. How can CAN staff access Schoology or PSchool to see assignments and help students?

DL

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**From:** Nemecek, Jennifer <[nemecekj@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:nemecekj@aaps.k12.mi.us)>

**Date:** Wed, Oct 21, 2020 at 12:03 PM

**Subject:** Re: Schoology Access for CAN/PEACE

**To:** Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)>

**Cc:** Linden, Dawn <[lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us)>, Heather Kellstrom <[kellstromh@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:kellstromh@aaps.k12.mi.us)>

Can I have admin access like I have for Powerschool? I can see every student in the district with my PowerSchool. I want to view not change or update.

Jen

On Wed, Oct 21, 2020 at 11:30 AM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hum...Ok I get it...should parents, with approval, share their log in? Is that a violation? They allow these centers access to Powerschool. It makes no logical sense to have to have individual logins for the center staff to Schoology....we are just trying to help them in their supports of students...

Thanks  
Liz

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 9:55 PM Linden, Dawn <[lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

So...there is no common log in to access classes. They have to be added to each class. That's the hold up here. Parents get access for their kids by logging in but they still don't see the actual teaching links, as understand it. They can see a limited view of things.

Heather, any ideas?  
Dawn

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 1:30 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Dawn and Heather,  
I would love to reach a conclusion on this issue. We have told our Connections+ partners (CAN, Peace) that we can provide them access to Schoology so they can get into student accounts and assist students. AACLC, I don't think, is interested in this (Jennifer, can you confirm?).

If I understand this correctly we will need to narrow down Schoology access to potentially one access account rather than providing access to a list of staff accounts from these locations.

I sense this may be a concern and I am just trying to understand this....

Thank you  
Liz

On Wed, Oct 14, 2020 at 2:53 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

In addition, the CAN staff wants to be able to see what assignments are missing, who isn't attending, etc so that they can do follow-up supports especially during their asynchronous times.

Liz

On Tue, Oct 13, 2020 at 1:12 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Yes, even on common log in helps the CAN staff access classes for kids. I have cc'd Jennifer on this email so she can better explain...

Liz

On Mon, Oct 12, 2020 at 5:52 PM Linden, Dawn <[lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Liz,

So the kids can all get in but you are asking for the staff at CAN to be able to join the kids in their classes?

Just want to understand the ask,  
Dawn

On Fri, Oct 9, 2020 at 2:46 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hi Dawn and Heather,

I know everyone has been swamped but we are hitting a wall in regards to getting schoology access for these Connection+ programs. They have Powerschool access and been through the online Schoology training James provided but still no access.

How can I get this accomplished?

Thank you

Liz

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**From:** Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Subject:** Re: Schoology Access for CAN/PEACE  
**Date:** November 6, 2020 at 10:59 AM  
**To:** Linden, Dawn [lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Cc:** Heather Kellstrom [kellstromh@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:kellstromh@aaps.k12.mi.us), Nancy Shore [shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us)



Thanks Dawn,  
We are meeting on Monday (Nancy, Jennifer N. and I ) w/ James and Heather. We will see if we can get this straightened out.

TY  
Liz

On Fri, Nov 6, 2020 at 10:50 AM Linden, Dawn [lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us) wrote:

I believe if parents give permission, we would have no trouble with giving them that level of access.  
Tony has also dropped off a set of hard copy math links for elementary students to the centers so that they can use those if the online tool is not helpful. Please keep us posted about what more we can do.

Heather: What do you and your team need to provide parent access codes? When we last spoke in early September, we had a way to issue those to each parent centrally...I assume if we had a list of students and the CAN people who need access, we could send them the same link?

Thanks!  
Dawn

On Fri, Nov 6, 2020 at 8:31 AM Liz Margolis [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us) wrote:

Actually the parent view is what they need. They aren't in person w the students so they can't sit beside them. They need access to assignments and have the ability to help them w their schools day. Essentially they are acting as the parent for these at risk students.

I understand Schoology access has been given to UofM student mentors. CAN folks work on behalf of the students with the students. They can't do that as well without the access.

Liz

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 5, 2020, at 8:44 PM, Linden, Dawn [lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us) wrote:

Liz,

We truly understand the need and yet there is not great way for them to have meaningful direct access to the courses. The parent view won't help much.

Is there same way they can sit beside students to navigate the site along with the student while logged in? We can provide training for the staff so they know how to click around and support while logged in.

Heather, tell me if I'm wrong and there is some other way to help.

DL

On Thu, Nov 5, 2020 at 4:03 PM Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us) wrote:

Folks, I am looping back to this with some further rationale as to why CAN, Peace and Avalon in the future, would like Schoology access.

It is helpful for them to have this access for the students they serve to help monitor their assignments, download assignments, print and support students in a more comprehensive way.

These community centers also provide a lot of support during asynchronous times and it is logistically much more challenging to get each student's Schoology accounts individually, which was also a big reason that they had a consolidated Powerschool account so that staff could login and review academic and attendance information for all of our students instead of logging in and out for each one.

When working with a few hundred kids a day, it really becomes problematic for them, they report and I can understand.

A parent login might be sufficient but if they can have it set up by toggling between kids without having to sign in and out for every kid would be tremendously helpful. Frankly, they report that any access at this point would be helpful as it has severely limited their ability to help some of the kids on a consistent basis.

Thank you  
Liz

On Wed, Oct 21, 2020 at 2:26 PM Linden, Dawn [lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us) wrote:

I think we need your help with this one. How can CAN staff access Schoology or PSchool to see assignments and help students?

DL

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From: Nemecek, Jennifer [nemecekj@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:nemecekj@aaps.k12.mi.us)

Date: Wed, Oct 21, 2020 at 12:03 PM

Subject: Re: Schoology Access for CAN/PEACE

To: Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)

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Can I have admin access like I have for Powerschool? I can see every student in the district with my PowerSchool. I want to view not change or update.  
Jen

On Wed, Oct 21, 2020 at 11:30 AM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Hum...Ok I get it...should parents, with approval, share their log in? Is that a violation? They allow these centers access to Powerschool. It makes no logical sense to have to have individual logins for the center staff to Schoology.....we are just trying to help them in their supports of students...

Thanks  
Liz

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 9:55 PM Linden, Dawn <[lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
So...there is no common log in to access classes. They have to be added to each class. That's the hold up here. Parents get access for their kids by logging in but they still don't see the actual teaching links, as understand it. They can see a limited view of things.

Heather, any ideas?  
Dawn

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 1:30 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Dawn and Heather,  
I would love to reach a conclusion on this issue. We have told our Connections+ partners (CAN, Peace) that we can provide them access to Schoology so they can get into student accounts and assist students. AACLC, I don't think, is interested in this (Jennifer, can you confirm?).

If I understand this correctly we will need to narrow down Schoology access to potentially one access account rather than providing access to a list of staff accounts from these locations.

I sense this may be a concern and I am just trying to understand this....

Thank you  
Liz

On Wed, Oct 14, 2020 at 2:53 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
In addition, the CAN staff wants to be able to see what assignments are missing, who isn't attending, etc so that they can do follow-up supports especially during their asynchronous times.

Liz

On Tue, Oct 13, 2020 at 1:12 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Yes, even on common log in helps the CAN staff access classes for kids. I have cc'd Jennifer on this email so she can better explain...

Liz

On Mon, Oct 12, 2020 at 5:52 PM Linden, Dawn <[lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Liz,

So the kids can all get in but you are asking for the staff at CAN to be able to join the kids in their classes?

Just want to understand the ask,  
Dawn

On Fri, Oct 9, 2020 at 2:46 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Hi Dawn and Heather,  
I know everyone has been swamped but we are hitting a wall in regards to getting schoology access for these Connection+ programs. They have Powerschool access and been through the online Schoology training James provided but still no access.  
How can I get this accomplished?

Thank you  
Liz

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**From:** Margolis, Liz [margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Subject:** Re: Those most in need  
**Date:** August 7, 2020 at 10:12 AM  
**To:** Soderberg, Caryn [soderbec@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:soderbec@aaps.k12.mi.us)  
**Cc:** Dawn Linden [lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lindend@aaps.k12.mi.us)



I do not want to make any promises. This is likely not how this program will end up. I think a generic "thank you" and that we are working on how the Connection+ supports will work within our community is all we can say.

On Fri, Aug 7, 2020 at 10:04 AM Soderberg, Caryn <[soderbec@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:soderbec@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:  
Hi Liz,

FYI - would you like me to respond that Ms. Margolis is working on this and will reach out to her if needed or something like that?

Thanks,

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**Cc:** [REDACTED]

Hello,

In a follow up FAQ video on 7/27, there was mention that AAPS is considering community satellite sites for very small group learning for those students who need the in-person instruction most. My child is not one of those most in need. However, I am wondering, is there is anything I can do to help make that happen here in my B/P school area for those that do need this option?

I'd be happy to help identify sites and reach out to make connections/begin the conversation. I can think of 4-5 places to try off the top of my head.

If you are in need of parent volunteers who are able to help on this front in the Mitchell area, I have a few friends that come to mind.

Thank you for your continued efforts!  
Best,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Derrick Miller dmiller@canwashtenaw.org

**Subject:** Re: Update RE: AAPS Connections+ plan

**Date:** August 27, 2020 at 2:39 PM

**To:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us

**Cc:** Bonnie Billups Jr bbillups@peaceneighborhoodcenter.org, Derrick Miller dmiller@canannarbor.org, Lauren Velez lvelez@avalonhousing.org, Mollie Richards mrichards@avalonhousing.org, Nancy Shore shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us

DM

Thank you Liz. I appreciate the follow-up. We are eager to get connected to Schoology. Program registrations are underway but I have a report that I can pull at any time with student registration information and so just let me know who and when I should send that to.

Derrick

On Wed, Aug 26, 2020 at 12:13 PM Margolis, Liz <margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi everyone,

Please feel free to share this with your staff.

We heard you loud and clear yesterday. We have gone back to the drawing board and are seeing if we can make exceptions to staffing the community centers with AAPS staff such as Parapros. Dr. Swift is leading this effort.

If we can make this happen we will need to confer on cleaning and safety protocols for both your staff, students and AAPS staff. We may be able to help with PPE supplies as well.

Below are our notes from the meeting in terms of Next Steps. Please let us know if anything is missing or misinterpreted.

Thank you again for your honesty and directness. We needed to hear this from you in order for us to make the Connections+ program work for students!

Be in touch again soon,

Liz

#### Next Steps

##### **AAPS**

- Liz to discuss possible in-person AAPS staff support options with Dr. Swift and will get back to everyone within the week.-  
**Dr. Swift working on this**
- Liz to investigate with IT and Child Accounting at providing same access to Powerschool for all Community Center Partners.
- Liz to send Community Centers info in:
  - Plans for Special Ed/IEP support
  - School Day schedules for each level - **Attached**
  - Options for Schoology Training for Staff
  - Tech Distribution

##### **Derrick, Bonnie and Lauren/Mollie, provide information to Liz within the next week:**

If AAPS were to have in-person staff how many students could be supported at each center on each day? From the notes, the number of kids that can be supported at a time with 7-9 kids per AAPS Staff member:

##### **CAN**

- GBC and Hikone: max 8-10 kids
- Arrowood: 15-20
- Bryant: 25-30

##### **Peace**

- 25-40 kids at the large center, 15 at small centers.

##### **Avalon**

- 6 kids at a time at each of the 3 centers
- What could the schedule look like at your center to provide the most in-person support from your staff and AAPS staff?

Nancy and Liz will ensure that Centers are supported as much as possible, even if in-person staffing is not available. We will work with the Centers to create plans for supporting students, clarifying communication channels, and other needs.

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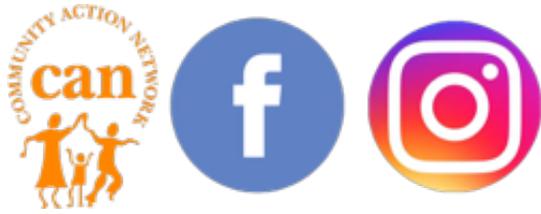
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What do you think? She can only work Monday and Friday...is this worth it?

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**To:** Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)>

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We discussed Peace Neighborhood Center  
7:45 to 12:45

And if needed I could work the afternoon

I can only work Monday and Friday

Sam Jordan

On Tue, Oct 13, 2020 at 4:40 PM Margolis, Liz <[margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us)> wrote:

Hi Pam

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There is also the Connections+ support at AACLC which is located in the Church of the Good Shepherd off Independence which serves Hispanic students. They operate every day 8am - 4pm.

You would receive the same hourly rate as you do in Childcare and the same benefits.

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Sam, We think a Monday and Friday schedule won't be the best way to serve students and develop relationships. Frequently these days are the lightest at each of the locations.

Liz

On Mon, Oct 19, 2020 at 4:52 PM Jordan, Sathorina <jordans@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:  
Ok, thanks for the update.

Does the other location need help on Monday and Friday? Until something opens up at Peace

On Mon, Oct 19, 2020 at 4:48 PM Margolis, Liz <margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi Sam,

We regrouped today regarding the Connections+ locations. At this time with your schedule only allowing for a Monday and Friday at Peace, we will have to wait on your placement to the Connections+ program. Monday and Friday are the lightest days at Peace so we want to see first if things develop on these days before we commit to more staffing needs.

I will keep you updated and thank you for your interest in this position.

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**From:** Margolis, Liz margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Subject:** Re: Help for a Logan Student  
**Date:** October 23, 2020 at 5:02 PM  
**To:** Muir, Julieanne muir@aaps.k12.mi.us  
**Cc:** Wright, Will wrightw@aaps.k12.mi.us



Is there a service she can access? Even places like Arrowwood are not supporting students in-person yet. Does the student's disability provide for any respite support?

On Fri, Oct 23, 2020 at 4:53 PM Muir, Julieanne <muir@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi Will and Liz,

This is a tough situation that we are hearing many families are experiencing.

We are not placing any TA staff in homes or community centers as a support at this time. I am unaware of any other options.

Sorry,

Julieanne

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On Fri, Oct 23, 2020 at 4:31 PM Margolis, Liz <margolisl@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi Will,

I fear we have a few of these situations across the district. At this time Peace is only serving students enrolled in their program and they are full. AACLC is for hispanic students and frankly they don't have the staffing ability to help this student.

I know we are not placing any AAPS supports in homes but maybe Julieanna has any ideas?

Liz

On Fri, Oct 23, 2020 at 4:25 PM Wright, Will <wrightw@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi Liz and Julieanne,

Wondering if you have any suggestions for how to help a Logan family.

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Beyond this option, I don't know how else to help this family. Let me know.

Best,

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**From:** Liz Margolis <margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us>  
**Subject:** Re: ins\_council Connections+ Guide for Families and Academic Resources  
**Date:** October 21, 2020 at 8:22 AM  
**To:** Wright, Will <wrightw@aaps.k12.mi.us>  
**Cc:** Harris, Bill <harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us>



Yes I will call you both for a conference call at 12:45. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 21, 2020, at 6:56 AM, Wright, Will <wrightw@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

I could do 12:45 too. If today doesn't work, we could find time tomorrow or Friday.

-Will

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 7:54 PM Harris, Bill <harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

i can do 12:45pm to 2:00pm

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 7:52 PM Wright, Will <wrightw@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:  
1:30? 2:00?

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 7:48 PM Liz Margolis <margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:  
I have a 1pm mtg. Sorry. I can do before that or later.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 20, 2020, at 7:43 PM, Harris, Bill <harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Works for me.

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 7:40 PM Wright, Will <wrightw@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:  
I have time around 1:00. Bill?

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 6:14 PM Margolis, Liz <margolis@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:  
I would rather answer this on the phone, if that is OK w/ both of you. I can connect us all tomorrow if you are available.

Thanks  
Liz

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 2:41 PM Harris, Bill <harrisw@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

Hi Will-  
I'm bringing Liz into this as I've been out of this loop for a little bit and not certain exactly where things stand. I too expect some fall out on this...Liz any thoughts?  
B

On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 9:37 AM Wright, Will <wrightw@aaps.k12.mi.us> wrote:

There seems to be a shift in messaging about Connection+ here. It was originally billed as something *schools* would help facilitate by partnering with community organizations. This framing here seems to suggest that we're providing guidance to families and organizations, but that we're no longer making the effort to create these support groups through community partnerships. We have a number of families that are eager to join and would really benefit from a school/community-partnership Connection+ opportunity. I suspect this messaging might not be well-received. Thoughts? Are there still efforts to create these partnerships and make them available to AAPS students?

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** Shore, Nancy <shoren@aaps.k12.mi.us>  
**Date:** Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 9:19 AM  
**Subject:** ins\_council Connections+ Guide for Families and Academic Resources  
**To:** Instructional Council <ins\_council@aaps.k12.mi.us>

Hello School Leaders,

A team of AAPS staff have been working on a [Guide](#) for partners and families forming learning groups.

Below is a blurb you can include in your communication to families about the guide.

Included in this guide is a list of the free Academic Resources from approved partners. This is a great way to share this info with families. I have included a blurb about that as well.

--Nancy

**Connections+ Guidelines and Tips**

AAPS has created a Guide to support families who have created learning groups for AAPS students. The Guide includes hints and tips, safety information and free community resources.

[View the Connections+ Guide here.](#)

**Free Academic Support Resources**

A number of local groups and organizations are offering free academic support for AAPS students. These free resources are primarily provided by U-M students and community volunteers. [View Free Academic Support Resources Here.](#)

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"We have all known the long loneliness, and we have found that the answer is community"

--Dorothy Day



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