

# **AUGUST 2022**

### August Connection to Community Resources features:



- 2022-23 School Year Info- Key Dates, School Supplies: supplies for students, Donate & Tax Benefits, Early Childhood Screening ages 3-5
- Fall Youth Registrations Sign up dates, financial assistance
- Financial Wellness- Free workshops
- Food Resources
- Upcoming Events- Band Together Aug 24, Gear Swap Sept 10/11, COVID Vaccine Clinic

If you have a resource you would like featured in an upcoming newsletter or would like to connect regarding your specific situation, please let me know.

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# 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR

# EDINA FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

AUGUST 29 - GRADES 6-12

AUGUST 29/30 - K-5 Conferences

AUGUST 31 - K-5

SEPT 6 - ELC/ECSE

#### FAMILY BACK TO SCHOOL

HANDBOOK- go to place for all the information about the new school year.

## **Edina Schools Open House**

Concord	Aug 25	7:30-9:00AM
Cornelia	Aug 25	8:00-10:00AM
Countryside	Aug 25	3:00-5:00PM
Creek Valley	Aug 25	8:00-9:30AM
Highlands	Aug 25	4:00-5:30PM
Normandale	Aug 25	3:30-5:30PM

#### **Get Connect Days**

South View	Aug 16	11:00- 7:00PM
Valley View	Aug 17	8:305:30PM
EHS	Aug 25	12:00-6:30PM



# **School Supplies for Edina Students**

#### Find your School Supply List for 2022-23

<u>Concord</u> <u>Cornelia</u> <u>Countryside</u> <u>Creek Valley</u> <u>Highlands</u> <u>Normandale</u> <u>South View</u> <u>Valley View</u> <u>Edina High School</u>

#### Get Help with Supplies

Any family who needs assistance getting a backpack/ school supplies can connect with their school social worker.

#### Donate

Thank you VEAP for collecting supplies for Edina Students. And thank you to many generous parents who have also donated. To see what items are still needed visit. <u>bitly.com/bts22edina</u>

#### **Tax Benefits for Purchasing School Supplies**

As students of all ages prepare for another school year, the Minnesota Department of Revenue reminds parents and caregivers to save receipts on school supply

purchases to claim valuable K-12 tax benefits when filing their taxes next year. Two tax benefits can help Minnesota families pay expenses related to their child's education: the refundable K-12 Education Credit (income limits apply) and the K-12 Education Subtraction (no income limits). Check out the two links above or this video to learn more about the K-12 education tax credit.



### **Apply for Educational Benefits**

MDE Educational Benefit Applications are now available for the 2022-23. (formally known as Free & Reduced Lunch/Breakfast)

Edina Public Schools Richfield Public Schools Hopkins Public Schools

Families approved for Education Benefits qualify forfree ACT testing; participation in College Possible program; college scholarships; some government benefits; discounts for things such as Comcast internet service, and tickets to various museums.

If you are approved by Sept 1, you will also qualify for 2022 Summer P-EBT benefits. You would receive \$430 per student to pay for groceries.



## Early Childhood Screening

Early Screening is used to help check a child's development and health while getting connected to early childhood programs. Screening is required before beginning Kindergarten and is available starting at age 3 year.

Learn More and Make an Appointment

# ECFE FAMILY LITERACY CLASS

# ECFE Family Literacy at the Edina Early Learning Center Tues/Thurs 8:30-11:30

Open to families with children ages 0-5 who would like to increase their English language skills and attend Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE). The Family Literacy Class is free for the parents and child. Class includes Parent/Child time as well as Parent Education and language. Adult language testing is required and will take place in September.

To learn more and sign-up email Early.Learning@Edinaschools.org or call 952-848-3936.

South Volunteers

# **JOIN US AS A VOLUNTEER TEACHER**



Teach English to adult immigrants and refugees, meet new people in your community, and work with adult English Language Learners (ELLs) as they build literacy skills and achieve their goals. Sound like something you'd like to do? **Volunteer as an English teacher!** 

 $^{\circ}\text{No}$  experience or diploma needed - all necessary training will be provided.

 $^{\circ}\text{English}$  speakers of all levels are welcome and encouraged to volunteer.

°We strongly encourage volunteers from all backgrounds, levels of education, ethnicities, abilities, and socio-economic statuses.

Contact: Jess Anderson Volunteer and Outreach Coordinator janderson5@isd271.org or 952-681-6114 metrosouth.org/volunteer.html Teach English to your Edina Neighbors!

# Tuesdays and Thursdays Starting October 4

Edina Community Center 5701 Normandale Road, Edina

9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (Option to choose 9-10 a.m. or 10-11 a.m. if you can only volunteer one hour)

Time Commitment: 2-6 hours per week

# Must be 18 or older to volunteer.

This program is partially funded with a grant from the Minnesota Department of Education using state and/or federal funding, Minnesota Statute Section 1240.522 and/or CFDA 84.0002, Adult Basic Education - Grants to States. A provid partner of the American Job Center Network.

# **ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH - FALL 2022**

# **Fall Activities**

Children & Youth Sports & Activities in Edina PDF with registration dates/links

Edina Community Ed Enrichment Classes Registration opens August 16 Register Here

Edina Parks & Rec Registration opens Aug 24 for residents and Aug 29 for non-residents Register Here

EHS Fall Sports and Activities Register Here

## Financial Support

Needs-based assistance is available to participate in various youth programs in Edina.

#### Edina Community Ed

Enrichment Financial Aid Application for 2022-23 School Year

#### **Edina Connect Card**

Edina Parks & Rec Camps & Classes and various Athletic Associations. Cards must be renewed every 2 years.

#### Edina Give & Go

Up to \$500 during the school year for Edina K-12 students to participate in Athletics, Arts or Academic offerings.

# FOOD RESOURCES





#### **VEAP Food Pantry**

Fresh produce, perishables and food items of your preference. Drive-up model is currently used. You are welcome to visit twice per month. Call 952-888-9616 for an appointment

VEAP Mobile Pantry- open to everyone. Find a location near you. veap.org/events/

#### Loaves & Fishes

Meals To-Go are available to anyone in need. Locations are available throughout the metro area including Richfield, St Louis Park and Bloomington.

#### Find a dining site here. loavesandfishesmn.org/dining-sites/



FARE FOR ALL Open to everyone. Purchase packs of frozen meats, fresh fruits & vegetables & special buys (\$10-\$30). 763-450-3880

fareforall.thefoodgroupmn.org/



#### HUNGER SOLUTIONS

Search for nearby food resources including food shelves, farmers markers, senior discounts and community food distributions

hungersolutions.org/find-help/



**Edina Farmer's Market** Thursdays 3:00pm-7:00pm ends Sept29 **Centennial Lakes Park** Learn More

# FINANCIAL WELLNESS WORKSHOPS

Community Action Partnership of Hennepin County (CAP-HC) is offering a free financial wellness workshops for community members

#### FINANCIAL WELLNESS CLASS

This classes uses the FDIC Money Smart curriculum, and includes topics in budgeting basics, money management, how to access and understand your credit report, how to manage your credit history and debt, and how to protect your identity and assets. Registration required

August 27 | 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM

Sept 7 & 8 | 4:00 PM-8:00 PM 2-day class

Sept 24 | 9:00 AM- 5:00 PM

Learn More and Register for the Free CAP-HC Workshops at caphennepin.org/what-we-do/financial-services.html

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## August 24: VACCINE CLINIC

COVID Vaccines available for anymore ages 6 months and up, 4:30 PM -7 PM South View Middle School Learn More

#### Special Offer:

Pre-register for a **Financial Wellness** Class, and you'll receive a \$25 Target gift card after completing the class! Terms and conditions apply

## August 24: BAND TOGETHER

Join the Edina Education Fund for an outdoor concert event benefiting the Heal Together EPS Mental Health Campaign! 6 PM-10 PM Edina High School Learn More

## Sept 10 & 11: Edina Give and Go GEAR SWAP

Donate Gear Sept 10 8:30 AM -2 PM Get Gear Sept 11 9:30 AM -1 PM Edina Community Center- Door 7 (gyms) Learn More

## Sept 11 & 12: Edina Fall Into the Arts Festival

Centennial Lakes Parks Learn More

## Sept 21: VACCINE CLINIC

COVID Vaccines available for anymore ages 6 months and up, 4:30 PM -7 PM South View Middle School Learn More

## Nov 8: Election Day

Learn more

# **Edina Resource Center**

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