

A Day in the Life of a John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School 3rd Grader

Arrival:

- If a student arrives on the bus, his/her bus will pull up in the bus lane immediately south of the school building. When s/he exits the bus, s/he will be greeted by the Campus Safety Officer and an Aurora University student worker.
- If a student arrives by car, the driver will enter into the car lane south of the school building. When the car gets to the front of the line, s/he can exit the vehicle near the Campus Safety Officer.
- Students will walk along the sidewalk to the front door of the school.
- Weather permitting, the students will wait outside the front door until 7:50 am, supervised by the Campus Safety Officer and AU student workers.
- In the event of extreme cold or rain, students will wait in the foyer of the school by the main office until 7:50 am.

Breakfast:

- All students are able to eat breakfast at school between 8:00-8:10am. Students may either bring breakfast from home or take a bagged breakfast from school.
- All funds for breakfast and lunch must be deposited into students' meal accounts **through their districts**. No funds are accepted at the STEM school.
- If a student chooses to take a school breakfast or lunch, s/he will follow classroom procedures to notify teachers.

Morning Classes:

- Students have math, language arts, and social studies throughout the morning.

Lunch:

- Monthly hot lunch menus are posted on the school website. Vegetarian options are available daily.
- At **10:20am**, students will begin preparing to go to lunch. They will get their lunch or lunch ticket and line up.
- Students are escorted by staff, the Campus Safety Officer, and Aurora University student workers across campus to Alumni Hall to eat lunch. Students must dress for the weather throughout the school year. Umbrellas should be left at school and are part of our supply list.
 - In the event of lightning, Sodexo will bring hot lunch to the school to be served in classrooms.
- All funds for breakfast and lunch must be deposited into students' meal accounts **through their districts**. Again, no funds are accepted at the STEM school.
- Students will have recess supervised by the Campus Safety Officer and Aurora University student workers.
- Students are escorted back to their classrooms at 11:10am to begin afternoon instruction.

Afternoon Classes:

- Students participate in various learning experiences in their classrooms, STEM labs, STEM forum, or other university location.

Physical Education:

- Students have PE class during their afternoon instruction block on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.
- Students are escorted across campus by the Campus Safety Officer and participate in PE class in a variety of settings including but not limited to Vago Field, Alumni Hall gym and activity room, and campus fields. Students must dress for the weather throughout the school year.

Art & Music:

- Students receive one period of art instruction and period of music instruction per week in their classrooms.

Afternoon:

- Students are encouraged to bring a *healthy* afternoon snack each day.

Dismissal:

- Students begin to pack their belongings and line up for dismissal between 2:45-2:50 pm. Building dismissal for elementary begins at 2:55pm.
- If a student rides the bus, s/he will walk down the sidewalk to the bus lane. Bus locations are listed on a board, and Aurora University student workers and STEM School staff are present to help.
- If a student is picked up, s/he will walk down the far sidewalk by the Institute for Collaboration and wait on the brick walkway. The Campus Safety Officer will call his/her name when the driver arrives and escort the student safely to the car.