

Welcome to the Detroit Public Schools



Parent Connection

An Online Resource for Parents

MI STAR's ParentConnection is a web application that provides parents with direct access to student data via the Internet. Using a confidential PIN (personal identification number) and password, parents can connect to the DPS database using a web browser and view their child's data, such as progress reports, attendance records, report cards, transcripts and more.

To log on to ParentConnection

Follow the Instructions below. Your computer **MUST** have Internet Access:

1. Enter URL address: <https://sis.detroitk12.org/production/parentconnect>
2. Enter PIN and Password, click Logon:

PIN: _____

Password: _____

Note: If you have not been issued a Personal Identification Number (PIN) or Password, please contact the Parent Connection team at your child's school for the required login information.

PIN: This number is a unique number assigned to each contact randomly by the computer. Your personal identification number or PIN **cannot** be changed.

Password: Use the default assigned password for your first logon. Passwords were randomly generated and are **CASE SENSITIVE**. It is suggested you change your password the first time you connect, (see Account Maintenance instructions on next page).

A screenshot of the MISTAR ParentConnect login page. The page has a blue header with the text 'Welcome To' and the MISTAR logo. Below the logo is the text 'MISTAR ParentConnect' and 'Copyright ©2009-2013 Aequitas Solutions, Inc. All Rights Reserved'. There are two input fields for 'PIN' and 'Password', and two buttons labeled 'Logon' and 'Reset'. At the bottom, there is a footer with the text 'Detroit Public Schools' and 'Detroit Public Schools Web Site'. The footer also includes the Aequitas logo and a small disclaimer: '© ParentConnect Presented By aequitas solutions. Note: If you have not been issued a Personal Identification Number (PIN) or Password, please contact your school or district personnel for the required login information. If the list of available information does not include all of your student's data, please contact that student's school to have your accessibility information corrected.'

Having problems with your password? Contact the school your child attends.

3. Select a Student:

If you have more than one student enrolled in a DPS school, you will have the opportunity to view data for each student by selecting the student from the drop-down list. (At second semester time, your child's name will be listed twice in the drop-down list (except for seniors) since scheduling for next school year will be in progress. Select the current year's record for your child to view all data for this school year. Select next year's record to view course requests for next school year).

If the list of available information does not include all of your students, please contact that student's school to have your accessibility information corrected.

4. Navigate the Site:

Signed In: 12/3/2012 9:39:05 AM

My Information My Account Email Notifications Help About Sign Out

Session information is located in the upper right corner of the web page.

Account Maintenance

The Account Maintenance dialog box enables you to change or edit your password. It also gives you an opportunity to add your home or work email address, which will add you to the district database for future communications.

This email address will not be distributed outside of the district.

Email Notifications

If enabled for a student's school, allows the parent or guardian to receive email notifications from the school concerning the student.

Help

Use the help link to answer any questions regarding this website.

Printing Note: When printing any of the linked pages, be sure to first place your cursor in the middle of the page and click once. Otherwise, you may print a blank page.

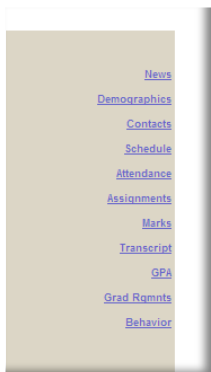
Sign Out

When your viewing is done, please sign out.

You will automatically be logged out of ParentConnection if this site is **inactive** for 20 minutes.

5. Navigate Student Data:

Click the links on the left side of the screen to view different types of data for the selected student, such as Demographics, Attendance, etc. The currently selected link will be highlighted.



Refreshing data pages:

Data viewed in ParentConnection is "live"; therefore it may be updated in real time by the school while you are viewing data. However, new data posted during a session will not be visible to the user until the data page is refreshed. There are three ways to refresh a data page:

1. Click on a different link and then return to the original link.
2. Click the Refresh or Reload button in your browser.
3. Press the F5 key on the keyboard.

6. Explanation of Student Data Links:

News

News items are bulletins or announcements for parents from school administrators and teachers.

There are two types of news items available on the News page: School News and Classroom News. The third type of News item, School District News, appears at the bottom of the ParentConnection login screen.

Demographics

The Demographics tab shows essential information for your child, such as name, address, telephone numbers, birth date, counselor, etc. This is available so parents can check the accuracy of the information, as it exists in the school's student database.

Inaccuracies or misspellings should be reported to the school office.

Contacts

The contacts screen displays first-tier contact information on file for the selected student.

Schedule

This page displays your child's daily schedule for the current term.

There are two modes for viewing:

Order by Period (default) or **Order by Term**. The viewing mode may be toggled by clicking on the link to the upper left of the schedule table.

[Order by Term](#)

Period	Term	Day	Course	Teacher	Room
1	AY	S	1820-1 American History	Jacobs, S	203
	AY	M	4080-4 Spanish I	Tomea, M	208
2	AY	S	2110-2 Algebra I	Douglas-Chong, S	202
	AY	S	2001 A-1 Lunch A	Vasandy, O	
	AY	M	1001 A-2 Lunch A	Vasandy, O	
	AY	M	1000-4 English Language Arts 9	Maheer, K	210
3	AY	S	3020-2 Biology	Tood, C	204
	S1	M	3770-5 Science Research 1	Bradlin, L	205
4	AY	S			
	AY	M			

Note:

Under the category Term:
AY = All year long
S1 = Semester One

Attendance

This page displays a record of your child's attendance entries for the current school year. A teacher or the secretary/clerk at the school generates the attendance entries. Entries of concern should be discussed with your child before calling the school office.

Note:

Please allow 24-48 hours after an absence for updates to appear.

Assignments

Assignments are scored classroom tasks assigned to students, such as homework, quizzes, exams, etc. When a teacher uses the MI STAR Gradebook to define, organize, and score their class assignments, the assignment data for their students will be viewable to parent using ParentConnection.

There may be times when you do not see anything under the "Assignment" tab for a particular class. This tab reflects the MI STAR Gradebook information if the teacher has opted not to share that information. Not all teachers are using the MI STAR Gradebook application.

There are two viewing modes:

Show Assignments for Last/Next Week (default) and **Show All Assignments**.

[Show Assignments For Last/Next Week](#)

All Class Assignments										
Period: 2		English Language Arts 9					Teacher: Maher, Kristen			
Current Grade For Quarter 1: C										
Detail	Date Due	Assignment	Pts Possible	Score	Pct Score	Class Avg	Scored As	Extra Credit	Not Graded	Comments
	9/9/2011	Writing Sample	25	25	100%	100%				
	9/18/2011	Syllabus	10	10	100%	100%				
	9/15/2011	Letter to Dr. Carson	20	20	100%	97.7%				
	9/18/2011	Writing Habits Questions	20	20	100%	98.6%				
	9/23/2011	Metaphor paragraph	20	20	100%	94.3%				
	10/3/2011	Metaphor writing project	100	75	75%	81.7%	Late Submission			
	10/5/2011	STAR Report	10	10	100%	100%				
	10/7/2011	September Bellwork	12							
	10/7/2011	September Reader's Notebook	30							
Period: 2		Algebra I					Teacher: Douglas-Chong, Sharon			
Current Grade For Quarter 1: C										
Detail	Date Due	Assignment	Pts Possible	Score	Pct Score	Scored As	Extra Credit	Not Graded	Comments	
	9/9/2011	Essay on math use	10	10	100%	Scored As				
	9/9/2011	Note about course description	10	10	100%					
	9/12/2011	Note multiplication & calculator	10	10	100%					
	9/12/2011	factoring, multiples	10	10	100%					

Marks (Standards for Students K-2)

This page displays an aggregate list of all the progress reports and report card marks that have been posted to the system for your child in the current school year.

Code Key

Term column:

- P1** = 1st Progress Report
- P2** = 2nd Progress Report
- P3** = 3rd Progress Report
- P4** = 4th Progress Report
- Q1** = 1st Quarter Report Card
- Q2** = 2nd Quarter Report Card
- Q3** = 3rd Quarter Report Card
- Q4** = 4th Quarter Report Card
- S1** = 1st Semester Report Card
- S2** = 2nd Semester Report Card

Type column:

- Acad** = Academic Classes
- Cit** = Citizenship 1-5

Mark column

Letter grade is shown here.

Comments column:

Comments are pre-defined. Optional report card comments may be entered by the teacher.

Transcript

This page displays the complete history of marks and credits earned for your child since the beginning of enrollment. Current school year marks do not appear on your child's transcript until semester report cards are mailed (Reminder, you can see these marks on the Marks page).

GPA

This page displays the complete history of your child's grade point average for each semester (Term), as well as a cumulative (Cum) GPA. The current semester GPA will not appear until semester report cards are mailed.

Grad Requirements

Graduation Requirements are credits that must be earned per Subject category in order for a student to graduate from high school. The requirements are defined by school administrators according to district policy.

In this screen the required credits are compared to the current (**Actual**) number of credits the student has earned to date per category. The Requirement Met (**Reqmt Met**) column indicates a 'Yes' if the requirements for a category have been met. This cell will be blank if the requirement has not yet been met. The balance of credits needed for each category is displayed in the **Short** column. A blank cell in the **Short** column indicates the required credits have been met for that category.

Behavior

When student conduct is tracked by school administrators using MI STAR's Behavior database, behavior incidents involving the selected student can be displayed in the summary form on this screen. Incidents are not limited to the current school year; all related behavior incidents from the beginning of the student's enrollment in the district can be displayed in the 'Show All' mode.

Health

The health screen displays three types of health data for the selected student:

1. Medical History (history of major health concerns for the selected student)
2. Immunization Information
3. Office Visit Information (data from the school nurse's office)