The front doors open at 7:30 AM and 11:45 AM for each session. To limit the amount of people in and out of the building, we encourage parents to drop off children and allow staff to help them into the building.

Staff 2021-2022
Principal - Kelly Carpenter
Secretary to the Principal – Kelly Case
Special Services Scheduler – Kristi Dakin
Custodian - Tanna Swanson
Speech Pathologist – Kara Wright
Early Intervention – Alex Kellerman

Classroom Teacher  Program Assistants
Ashley Andrews   Zak Piper
Marc Baxter       Judy Haddix
Mallory Kessler  Sally Mohamed
Amanda Stoneking Michelle Wardlow

There will be no school on Monday, September 6th for Labor Day or Wednesday, September 15th for the district SIP Day. Student iPads will be distributed on September 15th.

It is wonderful to see new children and welcome back those who are returning to school. The staff and I look forward to a productive year of creative learning.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Kelly Carpenter, and this will be my thirteenth year as Principal at MacArthur. As a special education teacher in the Macomb School District, I have worked at both Edison and Lincoln Schools. I am excited about the year ahead and encouraged by your support!

MacArthur’s quality faculty and staff take your child’s school success seriously. We strive to make every day a positive experience. We are excited to introduce three new staff members, Mr. Kellerman is MacArthur’s Early Intervention Teacher while Ms. Whitmer and Mr. Piper are new Program Assistants in the classroom. If you have the time, please thank Mrs. Case for the excellent job she does in the office. Tanna Swanson, our custodian, helps in many ways beyond her duties, while our program assistants work behind the scenes to provide a safe and secure school environment.

Welcome to MacArthur Early Childhood Center! Together we will nurture your child’s social, emotional, mental, and physical development. Those are the building blocks of learning.

New books help build a lifelong LOVE of reading. Would you help a MacArthur student bring home one new book each month between September and May? Each book is $1! Sponsor a child for the entire year for only $9!

Make checks out to “Scholastic Book Club” Drop off payments or mail a check to MacArthur Early Childhood Center 235 W. Grant Street, Macomb, IL 61455 Donations due by September 27, 2021
WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION
Stay up to date on current events, breakfast menus, sporting events, and more by going to 
https://macomb185.org/542/Where-To-Find-Information

Check out digital backpack for community flyers, Skylert for district announcements for school cancellations and delays, and Skyward to view your child’s information.

Breakfast

Breakfast is served daily at 7:30 AM. Free meals for all students has been extended for the 2021-2022 school year. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child’s food account, you may contact the Aramark staff at 837-2335.

Medication (including epipens and inhalers) cannot be administered at school without a School Medication Authorization Form signed by the physician and parent. Even if your child does not take medication, the office needs an Action Plan from your child’s doctor if they could potentially require medical help for seizures. If your child takes prescription or over-the-counter medication, stop by the office to pick up the authorization forms.

The Macomb Educational Foundation is a nonprofit corporation, est. in 1992, dedicated to providing resources to enhance student learning. To date, the Foundation has awarded over $170,000 through grants that have benefitted students at every grade level. The MEF annual coupon drive is supported by Hy-Vee, Brown’s Shoe Fit, Farm King, Jackson Street Market, the Princess Shoppe, Nostalgia on the Square, Nelson’s Clothing, No Place Like Home, and Shoe Sensation. For $20, coupons provide a $10 savings to consumers. The 2021-2022 coupons will be available at MacArthur’s office and each retailer.

The first PTO meeting will be held Monday, September 13th at 6:00 PM via Teams. To get connected to Teams contact Mrs. Andrews at andrewsa@mcusd185.org. MacArthur PTO Club’s Choice Fundraiser will be Wednesday, September 22nd – Friday, October 2nd. Online orders and paper orders are due October 2nd. Orders can be picked up at MacArthur on Wednesday, October 27th between 5:00 – 7:00 PM. Thank you in advance for supporting MacArthur’s PTO.

Macomb CUSD #185 has submitted its Management Plan prepared according to the requirements of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act. The law requires a visual surveillance of asbestos containing areas be completed every six months with a re-inspection conducted every three years. Copies are available in the front office.

Public Act 94-99 requires all schools to notify parents that information about area sex offenders is available to the public at www.isp.state.il.us/sor/contactsor.cfm

The FY21-22 school district budget may be viewed at www.macomb185.org. Copies are available at the District Administrative Service Center, 323 W. Washington Street as well as MacArthur’s office.