

A Family Guide *to* Creative Minds International Public Charter School

Whom to Contact with
Questions & Concerns

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TOPIC: Your Child's School Experiences: Academic, Social & Emotional

1. Your Child's Teachers: After the school year begins, your first point of contact

2. Program Director for Your Child's Grade: Your next point of contact or your contact during the summer

- *Preschool–4th Grade*

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- *5th–8th Grades*

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TOPIC: Special Education

If your child has, or you suspect your child needs, specialized education services

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TOPIC: Your Child's Mental Health & Social-Emotional Experiences

- *Lower school point of contact*

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- *Middle school point of contact; first point of contact for mental-health assessments*

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- *High school transition planning, student risk de-escalation, short-term counseling, remedial services*

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TOPIC: Technology for Students & Families

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TOPIC: Extended Creative Day

- *Before & After School, Creative Clubs, Music Lessons*

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TOPIC: School Building & Campus—Including the Play Space, Building Upgrades, Safety Protocols

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TOPIC: Enrollment, Admissions, My School DC

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TOPIC: School Meals & Meal-Delivery Program

- *Sign-up and meal delivery*

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- *Payments for school lunch*

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TOPIC: Report Cards & Grading Systems

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TOPIC: Attendance, Student Records, Health Forms, PowerSchool, Kinderlime

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TOPIC: Transportation

- *Parking passes*

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- *Kids Ride Free cards*

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TOPIC: Partnerships, Fundraising & Volunteering

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TOPIC: Communications

- *Newsletters, email list, social media*

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If you're unsatisfied with the response from your primary point of contact, please contact one of these staff members:

- *Student experiences: academic, social, and emotional*

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- *Operations*

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- *Other questions and concerns*

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