



**You are safe at Abbot.
You belong here.
You matter here.
We care about you.
We believe in you.
We see you.
We hear you.
We value you.**

Welcome to
Abbot

Staff
Introductions

Shared Expectations

Abbot Staff



- Maintain high academic and behavioral expectations for all students
- Differentiate instruction to meet the needs of all students
- Provide opportunities for parents to be involved
- Provide regular communication

A school compact, to be agreed on by teachers, families, and students, will be coming home soon highlighting the areas in which we can support each other.

Therapy Dog Program

- Abbot is the first school in Ann Arbor with a full-time therapy dog
- Therapy dogs help reduce student stress and anxiety
- More children are starting school depressed and anxious than ever before
- Therapy dogs can teach empathy and help develop social skills



Academic Support at Abbot

- EL TEACHER – RACHEL ZECHMEISTER
 - SUPPORTS MULTILINGUAL STUDENTS WITH ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACQUISITION
- BUILDING LITERACY COACH – EMILY WARK
 - PROVIDES PULL OUT LITERACY SUPPORT LESSONS TO STUDENTS IN K-2
 - PROVIDES PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LITERACY COACHING TO CLASSROOM TEACHERS
- BUILDING MATH COACH – KELSEY LAFFERTY-FRIEND
 - PROVIDES SMALL GROUP AND TIER 1 MATH SUPPORT
 - PROVIDES PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND MATH COACHING TO CLASSROOM TEACHERS
- TITLE ONE TEACHER AND TUTORS – COLLEEN McALINDEN
 - PROVIDES PUSH IN AND LIMITED PULL OUT SUPPORT TO STUDENTS IN K-5 FOR LITERACY AND MATH
 - PROVIDES PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS
 - PROVIDES PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO CLASSROOM TEACHERS

Title I at Abbot

What is Title I?

- Federal support facilitated through the State of MI
- Provide high-quality supports for students
- Access to above and beyond

Title I at Abbot

- Entrance criteria
 - ◆ Students become eligible for Title 1 direct support through showing they need support in academic areas through NWEA scores and classroom assessments regardless of free/reduced lunch status
- No Income Criteria
- No Cost to Families
- Support
 - ◆ Building Support Team and tutors
 - Small groups
 - ◆ Family Events
 - ◆ Classroom Support

OUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

We need all families who potentially qualify to fill out the Free and Reduced (F/R) Lunch Application Form by September 30, 2022



FEDERAL INCOME ELIGIBILITY CHART for School Year 2022-2023

Household Size	Annually	Monthly	Weekly
1	25,142	2,096	484
2	33,874	2,823	652
3	42,606	3,551	820
4	51,338	4,279	988
5	60,070	5,006	1,156
6	68,802	5,734	1,324
7	77,534	6,462	1,492
8	86,266	7,189	1,659
Each additional person:	8,732	728	168



Paper F/R application*
return to the office

Online F/R application - Meal Magic
Family Portal, login/create account, select
Application and then our school.

- Application information is **NOT** shared with the school or any other entity or agency
- Filling out the application helps fast track Rec & Ed scholarships
- Gives important information to qualify our school for additional resources like Title I supports
- Do not have to use the benefit - student can still bring their lunch, if desired

* Translated versions are available on district website

ABBOT PTO

PTO HELPS SUPPORT STUDENTS, TEACHERS

AND THE COMMUNITY THROUGH:

- Academics (Events, Materials, Equipment, etc.)
- Field Trips and Assemblies
- Extracurricular Events
- Appreciation Events

HOW DO I HEAR ABOUT WHAT IS
GOING ON?

- Backpack Mail - when we are in person
- Facebook Postings
facebook.com/abbot.elementary.pto
- PTO Emails
- Email us at: AbbotPTO@gmail.com

ABBOT PTO

First PTO Meeting - 9/20 at 7:00. A Zoom link will be sent by the
PTO

Abbot Runathon -October 15, 9:00-3:00

We need many volunteers for this event, including lap counters and
help with food sales.

Please email Sean McKale at smckale39@gmail.com

Abbot PTO

A great big "Thank you!" to all past and present PTO volunteers and sponsors!

PTO Executive Board

President: Kate Sharkey

Vice President: Tatyana Guifarro

Secretary: Suzie Davidson

Treasurer: Martha Hannah

Communications: Robben Schulz



*...a helping hand for parents of students with IEP
or 504 Plans*

The Ann Arbor Parent Advisory Committee For Special Education (AAPAC) is a group of parents whose focus is on supporting students in AAPS who receive special education or disability accommodations

<https://a2pac.wordpress.com>

AAPAC District-Wide Meetings

First Monday of the month (October through June) via Zoom
(meeting links and reminders will be sent through district email)

6:15-6:50pm with Office of Special Education administrators
7-8:30 pm general meeting

Need support? Don't know who to contact? General questions?
Your Exec Board can help

aapacexec@gmail.com