

April 12, 2024

To: Spectrum Community

Re: Important Updates

Please review the following important information and prepare accordingly.

Parent/Guardian 2023-2024 Climate Survey

Each year, as part of our continual improvement efforts, Spectrum's administration and School Improvement Team seek feedback on many areas throughout the school from parents/guardians, staff, and students. The feedback is compiled and discussed, highlighting Spectrum's strengths and often leading to recommendations for areas of improvement.

Please click [here](#) to provide your input by completing the 2023-2024 Parent/Guardian Climate Survey by Friday, April 19.



Traffic/Construction Updates

Road construction is a mixed blessing – short-term inconvenience for long-term benefit. The work completed on the 169 construction project to date has led to significant improvements and much smoother traffic flow. Overall, the City has done a good job of managing the project and communicating with constituents.

As you know, the construction has now moved closer to home for Spectrum. We want to say “thank you” to our students and families for your patience and for making the necessary schedule adjustments to account for traffic and ensure on-time arrival and pick up.



Anyone interested in staying up to speed on the 169 Redesign Construction Project should follow the Elk River City website [here](#).

Summer EBT

The following information is being distributed to eligible families on behalf of the Minnesota Department of Education:

In 2022, Congress permanently authorized, as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (P.L. 117-328), the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children (S-EBT). The S-EBT program provides families with school-aged children, who are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals, \$40/month per child (\$120 total) during the summer months when children are not receiving meals at school, to purchase healthy foods with funds placed on EBT cards. Information on accessing S-EBT can be found [here](#).

