

GUEST DIGEST

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Eye Protection

Due to COVID-19, the Minnesota Department of Health recommends eye protection be worn in congregate settings, like our shelter. If you are interested in eye protection, we have face shields or goggles available for adults—pictured below. Please note: If you wear a face shield or goggles, you still must wear a mask. If you are interested in eye protection, please see the Front Desk or an advocate on the 2nd floor.



CHAUVIN TRIAL

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GEORGE FLOYD CASE

The State of Minnesota is trying former MDP officer Derek Chauvin for the May 2020 murder of George Floyd. Chauvin is charged with 2nd Degree Murder, 2nd Degree Manslaughter, and 3rd Degree Murder. Three other former MPD officers will be tried in August 2021.



Art by Brian Methe

Timeline of Chauvin Trial

March 9-26 | Jury Selection

March 29 | Trial Begins (expected to last 2 to 4 weeks)

April 12-15 | Expected Closing Statement

April 16 | Expected Decision

FAQ

Where is the trial? | Hennepin County Gov't Center: 2.5 blocks SE of PSP.

Will it be safe downtown? | State & local public safety authorities plan to watch for & respond to violence. Areas may be restricted, if necessary.

Will streets be closed? | Only 6th street under the government center is closed until the trial ends. This may change.

Will buses & light rail be affected? | No planned changes at this time.

Will there be a curfew? | No planned curfews. We'll announce any curfews.

Will the shelter be open? | The shelter will remain open 24/7.

Is the shelter safe? | Yes. We have a modern safety & security system that includes an auto lockout if needed. We also have a security camera system that allows staff to keep an eye on what's going on well away from the shelter.

Will the shelter board up its windows? | No. We don't plan to do so, unless absolutely needed. We may be posting large signs that state we are a shelter that serves families.

Will PSP be monitoring public safety? | Yes. We participate in a downtown public safety partnership that shares security info. We also use a radio that allows communication with private & public security authorities throughout downtown.



Questions?

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Meals

PSP serves meals during the following times

Breakfast: 7:45-8:45

Lunch: 11:45-12:45

Dinner: 4:30-5:30



Due to COVID for the safety & health of staff and families, staff will be maintaining social distance during meal delivery. Food will be placed on a cart for you to retrieve.

You do have to be in your rooms during this time to receive a meal. Due to safety and health concerns we are unable to leave meals in rooms.

Masks

You do not need to wear a mask in your room, but we encourage you to wear masks in the following situations or any situation where you encounter staff or other families:

- When answering the door for meal delivery
- When dropping kids off at early ed or distance learning or k-5 programming
- When meeting with an advocate
- At linen exchange
- On the elevators
- At the front desk/in the lobby

We have lots of disposable & cloth masks! These are currently available at the front desk, advocacy area and on the donations table on the second floor!

Elevator Distancing

Please practice social distancing if possible

- Avoid overcrowding the elevator. Try riding the elevator with just your family.
- Do not touch your face after contact with elevator buttons (wash hands or sanitize after touching)
- Do not lean on walls.



Message from the Clinic

Clinic staff is currently limited, so please call first. If you have questions regarding COVID-19 or have symptoms and would like to request a test. The clinic can now test for COVID-19. Please call either of the numbers listed here.

612.332-4500 ext.226 (please call first)

Mon, Tues, Wed • 9am – 4pm

Thurs, Fri • 9am – 12 noon

After hours: Healthcare for the Homeless 612.348.5553 7am – 10pm daily

