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New Items:

Questions and Answers about the ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs (expires 1/31)

What are the ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs?

The ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs are English language proficiency assessments used to meet federal and state legislative requirements. These assessments are used to monitor English learners' progress as they develop academic language skills in reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

Why do we give these tests?

ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs scores provide valuable information about English language development to families and schools. Families can use proficiency level scores and descriptions to understand the progress their child is making and to engage with schools to support their child's learning.

Teachers and schools can use the scores to monitor student progress in acquiring English, plan instruction, and evaluate their language development programs. Schools also use these scores to determine if a student is ready to exit an English language program.

School and district-level test results are used in federal and state accountability measurements.

Who must take these tests?

All English learners in grades K–12 in public schools are required to participate annually in an English language proficiency assessment. With very few exceptions, all English learners take the ACCESS for ELLs.

Students with an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or 504 plan may be eligible for accommodations. Paper accommodations include large print and braille test booklets.

Some students with significant cognitive disabilities may be eligible to take the Alternate ACCESS for ELLs instead of the ACCESS for ELLs. See the Alternate ACCESS for ELLs Participation Guidelines. (Go to Districts, Schools and Educators > Statewide Testing > Minnesota Tests.)

How are tests administered?

Most students take the ACCESS for ELLs on computer, but there are exceptions depending upon grade and domain (reading, writing, listening, or speaking).

Teachers work one-on-one with students to administer the Alternate ACCESS for ELLs using paper materials.

Luxury Garage Sale (expires 1/31)

Party Idea: Come join Lake Harriet Moms for a night out and to shop for Lake Harriet. Join us for shopping, drinks and desserts from Rose Street Patisserie.

Proceed of Purchases goes toward Lake Harriet PTA Venue:

Luxury Garage Sale

5051 France Ave. S.

Date: Friday, Feb 24

http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/Parties_Galore

Time: 6-9pm

Hosts: Kelly Kearley

Cost: \$ 35.00 per person 60 # of tix available.

Southwest Performing Arts (expires 1/31)

Southwest High School Performing Arts Calendar Come support our amazing theatre students!

January 24-26, 7 pm One Acts, "Love/Sick" & "Eleemosynary" Main Stage, (35-minute plays produced for the MN State One Act Competition. Tickets at the door). SWHS

February 1-4, 7 pm - You Can't Take It With You, Unhinged Student Theatre Company performances, Black box, SWHS

To find our more or purchase tickets go to <http://southwesttheatre.org/>

Request Forms for Kindergarten & High School Due February 4, 2017 (expires 1/31)

School Request Forms for the 2017-18 school year are due Saturday, February 4. This applies to children entering Kindergarten, students switching schools in fall and students entering high school. Requests submitted on or before February 4, 2017 will be included in the school request lottery.

Before submitting your request, please take the time to review your school options by typing in your home address into the Online Request Center.

<http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us/>

Families who submit their requests after February 4, 2017 will have their requests considered on a space-available basis. Please note that if you complete the online request form, there is no need to complete the paper form.

Softball Fundraiser Supporting Girls Grades 7-12 (expires 1/31)

Softball Fundraiser Supporting Girls Grades 7-12 *All ages welcome > Link:
http://bit.ly/softball_fundraiser

Join us on February 25th from 8am-2pm for all you can eat pancakes and sausage to benefit Southwest High School's Fastpitch Softball Program at the legendary Cuzzy's Bar & Grill downtown Minneapolis. Beverages and gratuity extra.

Order your tickets online here
(https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfae8S50uhQE5i3N6pe3uP08tVumXpyREohzkS1kUWcz_cQ4A/viewform?c=0&w=1), or e-mail us at swhssoftballboosters@gmail.com to get connected with a player.

What: SWHS Softball Boosters All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser
When: Saturday, February 25th 2017 from 8am-2pm
Where: Cuzzy's - 507 N Washington Ave Mpls, MN 55401
Why: Benefits Southwest High School's Fastpitch Softball Program Grades 7-12
How Much? \$10.00 per ticket

Order Online Here:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfae8S50uhQE5i3N6pe3uP08tVumXpyREohzkS1kUWcz_cQ4A/viewform?c=0&w=1

GEMs/GISE Program (expires 1/31)

The Lower campus has a GEMS/GISE program for 3rd grade students as part of our after school program on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The following students attended the GEMS Lego Robotics tournament Saturday Jan. 14th at Anne Sullivan Community School (in the 4th – 8th grade division). Congrats to all of the students!!!!

Amber C
Abigail D
Natalia G
Johnna K
Norah L
Abigail O
Julia R
Keira W

Save the date for 3rd and 4th Grade Parties!

- 3rd Grade: March 24-3rd grade party! Details to come. Hold the date!
- April 29-5th grade party! Details to come. Hold the date!

BURN BABY YOGABURN

ALL SCHOOL BURN BABY YOGABURN

All proceeds from this event go to the LHCS PTA! YogaFit will offer a private yoga class suitable for all levels of experience. Following class, enjoy by wine and cheese from YogaFit as a reward

for your efforts! YogaFit donates 5% of monthly membership dues from LHCS parents back to the school!

Date: Saturday, March 4 Class Start

Time: 6:00 p.m. Social

Hours: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Location: At YogaFit Studio, 4507 France Avenue S., next to Great Wall

Up to 30 guests, 18 and over. Must be 21 to consume alcohol. Simply click here to buy your tickets and reserve your spot at a party today!

Thank you for your ongoing support! Questions? Contact Maggie Bebler or Jason Fincke

Previously Run Articles:

Mid-Year Conferences

Mid-year conferences are being adjusted this year to better accommodate parent working schedules. Conferences will be from 4:00-8:00 on Wednesday, February 15 and Thursday, February 16. We hope this change will be more convenient for families.

Yearbook photos due February 1 (expires 1/31)

All photos taken at school events and in the classroom during the first half of the year, should be submitted no later than February 1 to your child's classroom Room Rep. For middle grades, please email lakeharriet.yearbook@gmail.com or inquire how to upload directly to Lifetouch's site. Any photos taken during the second half of the year should be submitted as soon as possible to ensure there is enough time to include them in the yearbook. We are counting on you to help us get great photos of our kids!

Mission Accomplished! LHCS Physical Education Cross Country Ski Program Fundraiser (expires 1/24)

On Friday, January 6, a team of LHCS parents and Mr. DePerry teamed up to hold a fundraiser with the goal of purchasing cross country skis, boot and poles for Mr. DePerry's cross country ski program and Barnebirkie trip. We are pleased to announce that our goal was reached and soon LHCS will have its own fleet of cross country ski equipment!

A message from Mr. DePerry:

"Parents, I can't say enough how much I appreciate all the help with this fundraiser. A million thanks to the Prinsen Family, Margolis Family, Lindseth Family, Erik Minge, Karen Kleinhans and especially Maree Hampton who got the ball rolling on this project. And, also to you parents who attended. Your kids are what makes this job a joy to come to everyday. Your commitment to fitness and a healthy approach to life has "trickled" down to your children. I am glad you've allowed me to extend this physical education program beyond the norm of most programs. For you to help with this fundraising project helps continue cross country skiing for years to come. I can't thank you enough."

We would like to thank the following local businesses and individuals who supported our raffle and auction: Artist Katie McCollow, Prana, Title Nine, Tilia's, Saint Genevieve, Mozza Mia, Lake and Irving, Stella's, Barrio, Brits, Agra Culture, Settegrens, General Sports, The Fixx, Life Time

Fitness, Breadsmith, Interlachen Country Club, SotaRol, Room No. 3, The Loppet Foundation, Kula Yoga, Red Wing Boot Company, Rich Ryan Photography, Radisson Blu Mall of America, and Mallorys and more. We also want to thank the musical guests who rocked it: Brad McLemore, the SW band Tom, Dick and Harry, and the Lake Harriet Teacher's Band. Thank you everyone! Now, let's get our kids out to ski!

4th and 5th grade music concerts (expires 1/24)

The 4th and 5th grades will perform in their respective concerts in March. There had been conflicting dates online, but they have been corrected. Here are the official event dates. Parents are invited to come and enjoy the music!

Thursday, March 9, 2017 • Lake Harriet Upper Campus Gym

4th Grade Concert • 12:30-1:25pm

5th Grade Concert • 3:15-4:10pm

Readathon Starts January 27th

Mark your calendar! The 2017 LHCS Read-a-thon will be January 27 - February 24.

Kindergarten-5th grade students will read and keep track of the minutes they have read (outside of school time). They may collect pledges as a school fundraiser if they wish. Forms and money will be due by NOON on March 3. There will be prizes to earn as well as some giveaways. The awards assembly will be March 17 AM. Bikes and helmets will be awarded to the student from each grade reading the most minutes.

Parents will need to take an active role in helping their student(s) keep track of the minutes. Students had some very creative math last year and were reading 10 hours a day?

Other helpful read-a-thon info/dates to keep in mind:

- The Read-a-thon is a big event which relies on many volunteers. Please click on the link below to see what opportunities await... www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0E4EA4AD2FA2F85-read.
- Dress up as a Superhero on Thursday, January 26 as part of the Read-a-thon Kickoff Event.
- Family Author Night, February 7, 6:00-8:00 PM - Lower Campus Cafeteria. Minneapolis author and illustrator, Michael Hall, will be the featured author at this year's Family Author Night: Michael Hall is the author/illustrator of The New York Times bestseller, My Heart Is Like a Zoo, as well as the critically acclaimed Perfect Square, It's an Orange Aardvark, Red: A Crayon's Story, and Frankencrayon.
- Used Book Sale Feb 23 & 24 - Please start collecting your used books for the annual LCHS Used Book Sale-Upper and Lower Campuses. Drop off your used books - drop off boxes are located in the Media Center at both UC and LC. The sooner you can drop them off, the better. The Used Book Sale will be February 23-24 at UC and LC.

Don't Miss Spring Fastpitch Softball! (expires 1/24)

7th and 8th grade girls interested in playing fastpitch softball (there will be no teams at the

Middle School Level in 2017) should get involved now with the Softball Program at Southwest High School. Captain's practices are underway now and tryouts slated to start March 13th.

Interested players/parents can reach out to:

Mike Vanderscheuren, Southwest High School Softball Boosters - mvander@banjobrothers.com

Also, they can register their player into the softball player/ database:

<http://bit.ly/swhsplayerprofile>

And, sign-up to receive all the latest news via email: <http://bit.ly/swhsemails>

Alternatives to School Ball:

Girls who cannot fit school ball into their schedule but who are interested in competitive fastpitch softball opportunities should check out Club 612 Fastpitch Minneapolis. Teams from 8U to 18U, Tryouts scheduled March 12 (14U, 16U, 18U) and March 19th for 8U, 10U, 12U. For more information contact: club612fastpitch@gmail.com or club612fastpitch.weebly.com.

ABC's of Literacy Training for K-3 Volunteers (expires 1/31)

3:00-6:00pm - Wednesday, January 25, 2017

The ABCs of Reading is a hands-on workshop that prepares adults to become reading tutors for children in grades K-3. The training is appropriate for classroom volunteers and tutors who work with kids in afterschool programs. For more information click here:

http://volmps.mpls.k12.mn.us/other_training_opportunities.

To RSVP, please call 612-668-3880

Clubs Choice Winners! (expires 1/24)

Our Clubs Choice results are in! Thanks to all for your participation!

Top 4 Sellers at each campus:

Lower:

Parker T (Hallen) - \$1767

Maxine M (Johnson) - \$907

Lydia P (Pier) - \$650

Ethan S (Mahony) - \$581

Upper:

Camila H (DePerry) - \$2100

Johnny B (Peterson)- \$1245

Jack R (Badenhoff) - \$657

Kayley P (Larson) - \$625

Random Drawing winners:

LC - Grace I - Devens

UC - Joesphine C - 7th/Room 112

All of the above winners will receive one all access pass to the carnival good for food/drink and games. We will coordinate delivery of those passes as it gets closer. Classroom participation pizza party winners:

Lower: Carlson - 82.6% participation

Upper: Liepitz - 51.5% participation.

Minneapolis Youth Lacrosse – Registration Now Open (expires 2/9)

Registration is now open for both boys and girls lacrosse. Boys & Girls in grades 3-8 are welcome to play! Lacrosse is a fun, fast moving, and active sport that promotes teamwork, hand/eye coordination, and great exercise. It is a spring/summer/fall sport and is a great compliment to hockey to stay in shape during the off-season. Check us out at www.mpls lacrosse.com for more information and to register! Registration for spring lacrosse is now open. New & experienced players welcome. Several of your LHCS classmates play lacrosse and can tell you how much fun it is. Questions? Contact LHCS parent Mark McCleary @ mwmccleary@gmail.com for more information.

EBooks Available (expires 1/24)

This is a reminder for Lower Campus families that we have an electronic book grant through the end of this year available to you. It is called Arbordale Fun eReader books. This grant gives free access to all science and math picture books titles in the Arbordale library in English and Spanish.

To access these books, our webmaster created a link for you on our school's web page (lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us). To find it look under students and scroll to the bottom where you will see eBooks, click on this link which will bring you to the Arbordale log in page. The access code you will need is UWRP84.

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Southwest HS Performing Arts (expires January 10)

Hot Notes on a Cold Night Cabaret
Saturday, January 21 at 7 p.m.
St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church, 3
450 Irving Avenue South, Minneapolis

Don't miss the best party of the year in support of Southwest High School's exceptional performing arts programs. Hot Notes features student and alumni entertainers, fun with friends old and new, and dancing to our award-winning Jazz Big Band!

Get your tickets now at:

<http://events.readysetauction.com/southwesthighschoolperformingartscouncil/hotnotes2017>

January 24-26, 7 pm One Acts, Main Stage, (part of the State High School League competition)
SWHS

February 1-4, 7 pm - You Can't Take It With You, Unhinged Student Theatre Company
performances, Black box, SWHS

February 7, 7pm - Choir Concert, SWHS

February 13, 7 pm - Band Concert w/ Lake Harriet and Anthony Middle Schools

February 15, 7 pm - Orchestra Concert w/ Lake Harriet Middle School

February 23, 7 pm - Guitar Concert, SWHS Commons

Millers Baseball Registration Now Open

Registration Now Open! Sign-up your child for 10U-11U travelling baseball, or 8U-10U recreational development baseball with the Minneapolis Millers. Watch them experience and learn the game, good sportsmanship, and teamwork, while making memories that last a lifetime. To learn more, go to: <http://www.myba.us>.

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<http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/connection1.html>.

Please try to limit each submission to approximately 150 words in length.