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Area C Parent and Community Meeting

Strengthening Our Schools

Wednesday, October 9th, 6-8 p.m.

Ramsey Middle School 1 W. 49th St.

Enrollment Listening Session

Five Year Enrollment Plan (http://www.mpls.k12.mn.us/five-year_enrollment_plan.html):

- Learn more about MPS' five-year enrollment plan! Minneapolis Public Schools (MPS) has laid out a five-year enrollment plan to strengthen schools by addressing, increasing, and changing enrollment across the city. This may affect your child's school within the next five years.
- The plan will enable MPS to offer exciting and innovative academic programs in every area of the city to meet the needs of our diverse learners.
- Proposed changes in Zone 3 will focus on creating additional capacity through high-quality school choice options, expansion of facilities and/or program relocation.

Flyer to Share:

English (<http://origin.library.constantcontact.com/download/get/file/1102092631985-152/flierocteng.pdf>)

Spanish (http://origin.library.constantcontact.com/download/get/file/1102092631985-154/area_c_spanishoct.pdf)

Somali (http://origin.library.constantcontact.com/download/get/file/1102092631985-155/area_c_somalioc.pdf)

Hmong (http://origin.library.constantcontact.com/download/get/file/1102092631985-153/area_c_hmongoc.pdf)

Childcare provided for ages 3 & up and interpreters are available.

For questions, call Gael Ellis 612-382-0546 or e-mail gael.ellis@mpls.k12.mn.us.

Coming Out Day Picnic

Friday, October 11, 2013

Join LGBT Community Members from all across the district at the Coming Out Day Picnic

For LGBT and allied students, families & staff

Friday, October 11th, 5-7 pm

Matthews Park - 2318 29th Ave. S

Minneapolis, MN. 55406

Meet students from other schools, network with families, learn about upcoming events and how you can help ensure safe and healthy schools for all students.

RSVP: Jason Bucklin, Coordinator of Out4Good & LGBT Programs,
(p) 612.668.5482 jason.bucklin@mpls.k12.mn.us

"Speak your mind-even if your voice shakes." - Maggie Kuhn

MPS Goes Mobile

Now you can receive MPS text alerts on your cell. Just Text "YES" to 68453.

MPS is going mobile in 2013-14 with new tools to connect with families on the go! Beginning this fall, MPS families can receive text alerts on your cell phone. With this *free service, you will receive text messages notifying you of inclement weather, safety alerts and other important information from Minneapolis Public Schools.

Parent Coaches Wanted for Destination Imagination

Looking for parent coaches to start up Destination Imagination teams for grades K-3. Destination Imagination develops team building, creative thinking and problem solving skills through child driven solutions to set challenges. Looking for 2 adults per team, training provided. The time commitment is typically 1hour/week, October through March. Contact Christina Dewey hinmanc@yahoo.com to volunteer. Find out more at mndi.org.

Save the Date for Girls Basketball!

Our Annual SW Girls Hoops Annual Fall Clinic will be held at SW on October 26 and Nov 2 in the morning. Details to follow.

Also, we have scheduled a second tryout date for the Minneapolis Lakers (SWYBA) traveling basketball association for this Saturday, October 12 at the Midtown Y, from 9 to noon. Details can be found at the website [-www.swyba.org](http://www.swyba.org) or www.mplsakers.org. This is for girls grades 5 - 8 who were unable to attend - or didn't know about - the tryout date held today, October 6.

As always, do not hesitate to contact me with any questions related to girls youth basketball opportunities in South Minneapolis.

Dan Froehlich
dfroeh@gmail.com

Lunchroom Help Needed at Upper Campus

Do to the budget cuts last year, we need volunteers to help in the Upper Campus lunchroom each day from 12:45-1:45pm. Responsibilities include releasing tables for recess as the students show they are ready (trash and recycling finished) and then mopping the tables.

Contact annasmith@earthlink.net or kbknapp@comcast.net if you can help.

Get to Know Our New Teacher: Nicole Zeltinger

This is my first year teaching at Lake Harriet Community School and I am looking forward to meeting each of you! I may know some of you from last year when I worked as a Special Education Assistant and with the First In Math program after school. I have my Bachelor's Degree from St. Olaf College in Economics and Finance. After college, I worked in the corporate world before obtaining my Master's Degree in Education, and my teaching license, from St. Catherine University. While there I also got my STEM Certificate and took several of my own science, engineering, and math classes. During STEM, I hope to allow students to be creative and innovate while using their math and science talents. When I am not teaching, I like to spend time with my

family and friends, travel, knit, and see plays and musicals. Currently, I live in Minneapolis with my husband Scott and my dog Kirby.

Girls Basketball Coach Needed

Lake Harriet is looking for someone who is interested in coaching this year's Lake Harriet Girls Basketball team. The season goes from the end of November until the middle of February. The candidate should have some coaching experience and knowledge of the game. If interested, contact Mr. DePerry at Lake Harriet [612-668-3310](tel:612-668-3310).

Attention 8th Grade families! Time to think HIGH SCHOOL!

There is a general Zone 3 meeting on Monday, Oct. 28 - Meeting, 6 p.m.,
Burroughs, 1601 W. 50th
For families at Anthony, Barton, Lake Harriet.

(If you can't make it to this one, you can attend earlier:- **Monday, Oct. 21 - Meeting, 6 p.m., also at Burroughs** for families at Anwatin, Field, Folwell, Green, Jefferson, Ramsey)

High School Open House nights are as follows:

Wednesday, Oct. 23 - Washburn Open House, 5 p.m., 210 W. 49th St.
Wednesday, Oct. 30 - Southwest Open House, 6:30 p.m., 3414 - 47th St. W.
Wednesday, Nov. 6 - North Open House, 6:30 p.m., 1500 James Ave. N.
Thursday, Nov. 7 - Henry Open House, 6:30 p.m., 4320 Newton Ave. N.
Thursday, Nov. 14 - Edison Open House, 5:30 p.m., 700 22nd Ave. NE.
Wednesday, Nov. 20 - Roosevelt Open House, 6:30 p.m., 4029 28th Ave. S.
Thursday, Nov. 21 - South Open House, 6:30 p.m., 3131 - 19th Ave. S.

There is a **Minneapolis School Fair** for prospective students of all grade levels, preschool through high school:

Saturday, Jan. 25 – School Fair, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.,
Minneapolis Convention Center, 2nd Floor, 1301 2nd Ave. S.,

Don't forget: **School Request Cards are due on Friday, Feb. 28, 2014.**

For priority enrollment consideration, families must submit request cards by this date.

The full slate of annual school enrollment events is listed below and on the [Student Placement & New Families](http://ofce.mpls.k12.mn.us/student_placement_services_new_families_center) (http://ofce.mpls.k12.mn.us/student_placement_services_new_families_center) web page as well. We greatly appreciate your help in getting the word out about these events via your web postings, newsletters, etc. Thank you!

Questions: 612.668.1840

Lake Harriet Community School is a Minnesota School of Excellence

Did you know...

The entire validation process took two years. The first year (2011-2012) of the process we asked our parents and staff at both campuses to complete a school community self-study. The self study was divided into six national standards. (*More on each standard in future connections*)

1. Learning centered

2. Diverse communities
3. 21st Century learners
4. Quality instruction
5. Knowledge and data
6. Community Engagement

Research shows that if these standards are evident, best practices are being followed.

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Huge Used Book Sale

Hundreds of used books and media are available starting Thursday, October 17th 3-7pm. Come discover unusual books and bestsellers. Funds raised will benefit the Sumner Library. Book donations are accepted at the library until October 12. See the attached flyer for dates and event details!

Dates

Thursday, October 17th 3-7pm

Friday, October 18th 12-5pm

Saturday, October 19th 10-4pm

Join Cub Scout Pack 46 for a Nature Hike

For over 50 years, Pack 46 has been serving southwest Minneapolis and giving our K-5th grade boys a complete scouting experience through Den and Pack activities, camping, a strong community service commitment, and much more. ALL boys, kindergarten to 5th grade, are welcome to join. To check out what Cub Scouting is like, join us rain or shine for a Naturalist-led program and nature hike at Wood Lake Nature Center 6710 Lake Shore Dr., Richfield, on Saturday October 12, 12:00-2:00. If you can't make this date but would like more information, please contact Cubmaster Mike Hess at [612-804-1599](tel:612-804-1599) or ormikehess30@yahoo.com. Visit our Pack website at www.minneapolisclubscouts.com for more information.

Simply Jane & ArtAble Donates to PTA

Simply Jane & ArtAble, a fully wheelchair accessible non-profit art center in South Minneapolis is now offering 20% of all sales back to LHCS PTA when you or your family paint or shop in our studio. We also offer our coloring books for school fundraisers with 50% of all proceeds going back to LHCS. (Just say you're a LHCS family when you come in and we will donate 20% of your sale)

Release Day and after school programs also are offered:

Help your child become a fabulous artist with fun and engaging after school and release day classes taught by professional artists at our non-profit art center. We also have adult and teen classes. Studio is open 6 days a week for Drop-In Paint & Classes, and it's wheel chair accessible. We offer classes for artists of any ability! Scholarships are available for those in need.

Some of our classes include: American Girl Goes to Paris, Fairyland Furniture & Felting, Design & Sew a Costume, Comic Book Heroes, Cars & Trucks Galore, and more! Check website for seasonal offerings.

Registration for classes required - call or register online

Pricing:

Drop-In Paint

member: No Studio Fee + Item Cost (starts at \$5)

non-member \$5 studio fee + Item Cost (starts at \$5)

Includes professional paints, smock, brushes, lesson and clean up!

After School Classes

4 week classes: \$80 member / \$95 non-member (+material cost)

6 week classes: \$120 member / \$140 non-member (+material cost)

Buy 2 classes and save \$10 or Buy 4 classes and save \$20!

Release Days

Half Day Classes are 9 am – 12 pm or 1:30 – 4:30 pm

\$30 member / \$35 non-member (includes all materials)

Full Day Classes are 9 am – 4:30 pm (after care \$10/hr.)

\$60 member / \$70 non-member (includes all materials)

Open for class & drop-in every Mpls Public School Release Day!

Kohl's Grant Flu Clinic

Dear Lake Harriet Community,

On October 15th, there will be a Flu shot clinic at Upper Campus from 4-8 PM. This is sponsored with a grant from Kohl's Department Stores and is done in conjunction with Children's Hospital and the MN Visiting Nurse Agency.

We are in need of a total of 4 parent volunteers, 2 volunteers per shift, 2 shifts. The first shift is from 3:45-6 PM, the second is from 5:50-8 PM. Please respond to Kathy.Frey@mpls.k12.mn.us if you are able to volunteer.

Clinic Volunteer Responsibilities:

1. Greet and direct participants to the registration table.
2. Request participants to have insurance cards available for the registration process.
(MVNA registrars will check all completed consent forms).
3. Maintain an orderly participant waiting line, have upper arm accessible and consent form complete.
4. Ensure adequate distance for confidentiality between the nurse's table/station and those waiting in line.

Thank-you~

Kathy Frey, RN, Licensed School Nurse

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Published every Tuesday. Deadline for submission is 4pm the preceding Thursday.

Submissions: email to Mark Fullerton: marksatva@gmail.com or use the online submission form at:

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

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