

It's Time to Sign Up for Winter Conferences

The purpose of February conferences is to communicate with families of those students who are not on track to meet grade level standards or have not been making the expected progress for this point in the school year. Conferences are optional for other students. Different LNCS grade levels have different processes and dates for signing up – please see details below:

Wenonah Grades K-2 Conference Sign Ups

- Conferences will be held at Wenonah on Thursday, February 14, 4:30-6:30pm and Friday, February 15, 8:30am-4:30pm. Watch for details from your teacher about how to sign up.

Keewaydin Grades 3-5 Conference Sign Ups

- Conferences will be held at Keewaydin for grade 3-5 on Wednesday, February 13th from 4:45-8:15pm and on Friday, February 15th from 8:30am-2:30pm. Your child's teacher will be reaching out to schedule a conference prior to January 28th if there is a specific concern. Otherwise, any family who is interested in scheduling a conference, can sign up now using the online link: <https://www.myconferencetime.com/keewaydin/>. This link can also be used to schedule a conference with Ms. Perez, all specialists teachers and all special education teachers in grades 3-5.

Keewaydin Middle School (Grades 6-8) Conference Sign Ups

- If teachers have identified a concern, parents will receive an invitation to meet with the entire team of teachers for a 20 minute block. Advisory teachers will be working with the parent to set up a time that works best for all.
 - If you do not receive an invitation, you will receive a note saying that we do not need to meet at this time. We will have a few hours set aside (see schedule below) for drop in to meet with individual teachers.
 - **Conferences are more successful if the student is present as well.**
 - Schedule
 - Wednesday, February 13, 4:45-8:15pm: Scheduled conferences by appointment (20 minutes)
 - Friday, February 15, 8:30-11:30 am: Scheduled conferences by appointment
 - Friday, February 15, 12:00-2:30pm Drop-in (teachers will be in individual classrooms)
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What's Coming Up?

No School Tomorrow!! – Thursday-Friday, January 24-25.

- No school for students due to teacher record keeping and professional development time.

GEMS/GISE Students to Compete in Robotics Tournament– Saturday, January 26

- This exciting, unique and free event is an opportunity for students to showcase their accomplishments and celebrate their hard work. Staff, family members and friends are welcome and strongly encouraged to attend. At Anishinabe Academy/Anne Sullivan Community School, 3100 E. 28th St. Grades 1-2 from 8am-1pm, grades 3-8 from 8am-5pm.

Keewaydin Chess Club Hosts Tournament – Saturday, January 26

- Our Chess Club has formed 2 teams to compete in the Junior League Competition in Minnesota. We will be hosting the first round at Keewaydin on Saturday, January 26th from 9am-12pm in the Keewaydin cafeteria. There will be 6 teams from the Minneapolis area competing at this event. The second round of play will be held at Folwell School on February 9, 2019 (watch for details from Coach Alex about this event soon). For all LNCS Chess questions email Coach Alex: Adams922@gmail.com

Keewaydin Quarter 3 Specialists Begin – Monday, January 28

- The first day of the new quarter begins on Monday, January 28th. This means many of your children will have new specialists so be sure to remind them to come prepared on Monday for a new quarter of learning! Thanks for your partnership! Questions? Email: anne.tank@mpls.k12.mn.us

Music in the Commons – Tuesday, January 29

- Families are invited to attend to enjoy the Keewaydin 6th grade band perform from 9:20-9:35am in the Commons at Keewaydin! For more information email: Allison.cramer@mpls.k12.mn.us

Taco Dinner Fundraiser at Keewaydin for 8th Grade Washington DC Trip – Tuesday, January 29

- Enjoy a delicious taco dinner and help our 8th graders travel to Washington DC in the Spring! Our PTA is hosting this fundraiser in the Keewaydin cafeteria on Tuesday, January 29 from 5:30-7pm. The cost for adults is \$8 and for kids is \$5. For more information please email: jaylarson2@gmail.com

2nd Grade Families Invited to Presentation by 3rd Grade Teachers – Thursday, January 31

- Parents of Wenonah 2nd Graders are invited to attend this presentation about 3rd grade at Keewaydin given by our third grade teachers: Ms. Lewis, Ms. Brown and Mr. McInerney. Join them in the Keewaydin Media Center from 6:30-7:30pm to learn about “all things 3rd grade” and to ask questions about your child’s transition to Keewaydin.

WIDA/ACCESS Information Night for English Learner (EL) Families – Thursday, January 31

- EL families from both Wenonah and Keewaydin are invited to come to learn about the ACCESS tests your child will take in February and March. Join the Keewaydin and Wenonah EL teachers who will present important information and answer questions you have about EL instruction. This event will be on Thursday, January 31st from 6:30-7:30pm in the Keewaydin Auditorium. For more information email: Torben.rothgeb@mpls.k12.mn.us at Wenonah or Jessica.perez@mpls.k12.mn.us at Keewaydin

Winter Walk to School Day – Wednesday, February 6

- All students are encouraged to walk (or bike, skate or roll if the weather cooperates!) to school in honor of this. All participants will receive special stickers when they arrive. Celebrate with families around the world and enjoy the benefits of being active and outside on the way to school.

All Families Invited to Site Council Meeting - Thursday, February 7

- Join us at 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Wenonah Media Center. Childcare is provided for ages 3+! Please note our February meeting will be held a week earlier than normal.

PTA Meeting for All Families – Thursday, February 7

- Everyone is invited to attend at 6:45-7:45 p.m. in the Wenonah Media Center. Childcare provided for ages 3+. Please note our February meeting will be held a week earlier than normal.

School Request deadline - February 8

- **All incoming kindergartners** need to make a request (even if they already have a sibling at LNCS) at <http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
- **All 8th graders** need to request a high school at <http://highschoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
 - Need help deciding on a high school? Contact Keewaydin counselor Kameron.wittmer@mpls.k12.mn.us
- If you have a Wenonah 2nd grader planning to attend Keewaydin for 3rd grade, you **DO NOT** need to make a request.
- Any student going into grades 1-12 who want to change schools need to make a request.
- Questions? Call 612.668.1840 or 612.668.3700.

All Female Check-It-Out Chess Tournament – Saturday, February 9

- To promote female participation in STEM related activities, MPS is hosting their first all female chess tournament on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at Folwell Performing Arts Magnet School, located at 3611 20th Ave. South Mpls, 55407 from 8:30am-4pm. Please enter through Door 4 for this Chess event. For more information or to register please call Janae Krantz-Odendahl at 612-668-1202. Beginners welcome!
- SAVE THE DATE for the next regular Check-It-Out-Chess Tournament on March 9, 2019

African American Parent Involvement Day – Monday, February 11

- National African American Parent Involvement Days (NAAPID) is a day for parents to come to their child's school, see what their day is like, and to support their child's educational future. We hope to see you at one or more of these events!

- **Wenonah:** Please join us at **11:30 for lunch with your student** in the Wenonah Media Center. Plus stop in anytime that day to visit your student's classroom. If you are attending lunch, please RSVP by Tuesday, February 5 to jill.kilibarda@mpls.k12.mn.us or 612-668-5040.

Wenonah Talent Show – Monday, February 11

- Please join us for the annual Wenonah Talent Show on Monday, February 11th at 10:30am in the gymnasium. Come support our students and have a great time, even if your student is not in the show. It might be the cutest thing you see all year!

Winter Conference Dates – February 13-15 (Check specific campus)

- Please note each campus will have slightly different conference schedules this winter:
 - **Keewaydin:** Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held at Keewaydin on Wednesday, February 13 from 4:45-8:15pm and on Friday, February 15 from 8:30am-2:30pm. See above for details on how to sign up for Grades 3-5 and middle school
 - **Wenonah:** Conferences will be held at Wenonah on Thursday, February 14, 4:30-6:30pm and Friday, February 15, 8:30am-4:30pm. Watch for details from your teacher about how to sign up.

Valentine's Dinner & Dance – Saturday, February 23

- Save the date for this fun event to be held on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at Crosstown Covenant from 5:30-8pm. There will be a silent auction at the event, and a separate online auction from Friday, February 15 through Monday, February 25. Stay tuned for details!

School Notes

LNCS Yearbook Cover Contest

- The yearbook needs your art! Draw an Anime/Magna themed work of art for us to use as the Yearbook Cover.
- Original artwork only. Art should represent LNCS (Wenonah & Keewaydin!). 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper. Use dark lines so it reproduces well.
- Entries due February 22nd. Turn them in to the office at either campus. Questions? Ms. Croft (Katrina.Croft@mpls.k12.mn.us) or Ms. Carey (Renee.Carey@mpls.k12.mn.us)

Shop at Homespun January 22-27: They'll Donate 10% to 8th Grade DC Trip

- Homespun will donate 10% of your purchases from January 22-27 (Tuesday-Sunday) to LNCS Keewaydin 8th graders who are raising money to travel to Washington DC in May. Homespun is at 5006 34th Avenue and they sell gifts and décor made exclusively by Minnesota artists and makers, including jewelry, wall art, greeting cards, baby items, bath products and more. [Present this flyer](#) to make sure LNCS gets the donation.
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In the Community

Get FREE Dental Care for Children - Friday & Saturday, Feb. 1 & 2

- Many dental clinics in Minnesota are offer free dental care to children on February 1 & 2 through “Give Kids a Smile”. To schedule an appointment simply call United Way 2-1-1 (just dial 2-1-1) or visit mndental.org to find options at various dental offices.
- An LNCS parent at Park Dental in Eden Prairie invites families to schedule free appointments there on February 1 from 12-4pm. Call 952-949-2536.

Calendar

January

- 26 GEMS/GISE Robotics Competition, Anishinabe Academy/Anne Sullivan Community School (3100 East 28th Street, Mpls.) Grades K-3 at 8am-1pm. Grades 4-8 at 8am-5pm.
- 26 Keewaydin hosts Chess Tournament, 9am-12pm in the Keewaydin Cafeteria
- 29 Music in the Commons, 9:20-9:35am in the Keewaydin Commons
- 29 Taco Dinner Night, 5:30-7pm in the Keewaydin Cafeteria. Proceeds to spring DC Trip
- 30-31 5th Grade to StarBase, 9:40am-3pm
- 30 Wenonah Student of the Month, 10:15 in the Gymnasium
- 31 WIDA Information Night for Wenonah and Keewaydin English Learner families from 6:30-7:30pm in Keewaydin Auditorium
- 31 2nd Grade Families Invite to Presentation by 3rd Grade Teachers, 6:30-7:30 in the Keewaydin Media Center
- 31 MPS Black Parents Advisory Council Meeting, 6-8pm at the MPS Davis Center, 1250 W Broadway Ave, Mpls 55411

February

- 1, 4, 5 5th Grade to StarBase, 9:40am-3pm
- 5 Kindergarteners to the Children’s Museum, 9:50am
- 6 Winter Walk to School Day
- 7 Wenonah Pennies for Patients Kick Off, 10:15am
- 7 Keewaydin rooms 100 & 108 to MN Science Museum
- 7 Site Council Meeting, 5:30-6:30pm at Wenonah Media Center
- 7 PTA Meeting, 6:45-7:45pm at Wenonah Media Center
- 8 Phillips Eye Institute Screening at Wenonah
- 9 All Female Chess Tournament, 8:30am-4pm at Folwell Performing Arts Magnet, 3611 20th Ave. S.
- 11 Wenonah Talent Show, 10:30am in the Gymnasium

- 11 Wenonah African American Parent Involvement Day Lunch, 11:30am in the Media Center
- 13 Keewaydin Conferences 4:45-8:15pm
- 14 Wenonah Food Drive Last Day
- 14 4th Grade Field Trip to Orchestra Hall, 10:40am-12:40pm
- 14 Wenonah Conferences 4:30-6:30pm
- 15 **No School – Parent/Teacher conferences**
- 15 Keewaydin Conferences 8:30am - 2:30pm
- 15 Wenonah Conferences 8:30am – 4:30pm
- 18 **No School - President's Day**
- 19 Kindergarten Room 100 to Food Shelf, 10am-noon
- 22 Yearbook Cover Contest Deadline to submit art
- 23 Valentine's Dinner & Dance, 5:30-8pm at Crosstown Covenant Church
- 26 3rd Grade rooms 114 & 116 to Minneapolis Institute of Art
- 27 3rd Grade room 118 to Minneapolis Institute of Art