

What's Coming Up?

No School - Friday, February 15

- No school due to conferences

PTA Online Auction Opens – Friday, February 15

- Volunteers secured so many great auction donations this year that there will be an [online auction](#) before the event as well as the silent auction at the Valentine's Event. We have lots of gift cards, services, activities and goods that you will be sure to enjoy while supporting your students through the PTA.
- Please visit this link and share it with friends and family to encourage others to bid and support LNCS students! [View the items today and start bidding tomorrow, Friday, February 15 at noon](#). The auction closes February 25 at noon.

School Request Deadline – Friday, February 15

- **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>
- 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 wants to change schools needs to make a request.
- Questions? Call MPS Student Placement at 612.668.1840 or 612.668.3700

No School - Monday, February 18

- No school for President's Day

MPS Budget Information Sessions for Next Year - Tuesday Feb. 19 & Thursday. Feb. 21

- Attend one of these meetings to learn how next year's MPS budgets will be set, including a high-level overview of the district budget, how enrollment and other factors affect individual school budgets, information about predictable staffing and when families can expect to hear recommendations from the Comprehensive Districtwide Design.
- Tuesday, February 19, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. (at the Davis Center, 1250 W. Broadway)

- Thursday, February 21, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. (at the Wilder Building Auditorium, 3320 Elliot Avenue S.. Parking in MPS lot at 34th and Chicago.)

Drop Off Baked Goods for the Valentine's Event – Thursday-Friday, February 21-22

- Can you make or purchase baked goods to be sold at the Valentine's Dinner bake sale? Drop them off at either school office on 2/21 or 2/22. Please arrange goodies on disposable paper plates covered with plastic wrap. They will be sold as is.

Wenonah "Crazy Hat Day" – Friday, February 22

- Students should bring \$1 for Pennies for Patients and wear their favorite crazy hat!

Yearbook Cover Contest - Deadline Friday, February 22

- Theme is Anime/Manga and only original artwork is accepted. Art should represent LNCS (Wenonah and Keewaydin!) Use 8 ½ X 11 inch paper and use dark lines so it reproduces well. Make sure your name is on your entry and you can enter as many times as you like. Turn entries into the main office at either Keewaydin or Wenonah. Questions? Ms. Croft at katrina.croft@mpls.k12.mn.us or Ms. Carey at Renee.carey@mpls.k12.mn.us.

Girl Scout Cookies for Sale at Wenonah - Friday, February 22

- Wenonah students will be selling Girls Scout cookies afterschool at a table in the front entrance!

Register ASAP for Spring Afterschool Classes – Deadline Friday, February 22

- Register at www.mplscommunityed.com. Classes run March 11 – May 9.

LNCS Valentine's Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction - Saturday, February 23

- Join us at this annual all school PTA event designed to build community and raise funds for our students. Held at Crosstown Covenant Church, 5540 30th Ave. S. Mpls.
- **Dinner:** Enjoy spaghetti and meatballs, bread and salad from Fat Lorenzo's from 5:30-7:30pm. Tickets are \$12/Adult and \$8/Child at the door (age 3 and under free) and \$10/adult and \$7/child in advance at the school offices. (Contact our school Social Workers if you would like help with tickets: Jennifer Frisbie 612-668-5042 at Wenonah, Patricia Burger 612-668-4674.)
- **Silent Auction:** 5:30-7:30pm. Get ready for lots of great items!
- **Dance:** Our awesome DJ is great with kids of all ages. 6:00-8:00pm
- **Volunteers:** We need lots of help to make this event happen. Shifts are an hour or less. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094daba72e5-2019>

African American Parent Involvement Day at Keewaydin – Monday, February 25

- Join us for African American Parent Involvement Day on Monday, February 25 from 11am-1pm. Visit your child's classroom, hear from Principal Ray about ways our school is supporting your child's achievement, meet and mingle with other Keewaydin parents and enjoy a light lunch. Please RSVP to Anne Tank at 612-668-4689, if you will be joining us for lunch.

Black Life, History, and Culture Celebration – Thursday, February 28

- The Black Parent Advisory Council and OBMSA (Office of Black Male Student Achievement) cordially invite all MPS parents of African American students to our family event celebrating Black History Month.
- “Unveiling the Pledge to Our Youth”, Thursday, February 28, 6-8pm at Franklin Middle School, 1501 Aldrich Avenue North. Featuring Keynote speaker Mauri Freistleben, Lucy Laney Principal.
- Event will include Childcare, transportation, light meal and student performances.
- Contact charisma.smith@mpls.k12.mn.us or 612-668-2093 with questions or to request transportation.

Wenonah “I Moustache You to Donate Day” - Friday, March 1

- Students bring \$1 for Pennies for Patients and paint on a mustache at home to wear to school OR get a fake moustache to put on at school. I “Moustache”
- AND/OR bring an additional dollar to vote on which teacher has the best moustache.

Wenonah “Costume/Dress as Your Favorite Book Character Day” - Friday, March 8

- Students bring \$1 for Pennies for Patients and dress as their favorite book character or in another costume (school appropriate costumes please).

2nd Grade Families Invited to Presentation by 3rd Grade Teachers – Thursday, March 14

- Parents of Wenonah 2nd Graders are invited to attend this presentation about 3rd grade at Keewaydin given by our 3rd grade teachers: Ms. Lewis, Ms. Brown and Mr. McInerney. Join us at 6:30-7:30pm in the Keewaydin Auditorium to learn about “all things 3rd grade” and to ask questions about your child's transition to Keewaydin. There is so much to get excited about!
- Families of all grades are welcome. Childcare provided ages 3+.
- Hopefully 3rd times a charm for this event! Thanks for your patience with all of the weather cancellations.

School Notes

Wenonah Pennies for Patients: Now through Friday, March 8

- Wenonah Student Council has officially kicked off their Pennies for Patients fundraiser for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to help find cures for blood cancers. How does Pennies for Patience work?

- Students can bring their donations (pennies, coins and bills) to their classrooms any day of the week in a baggie or in the coin boxes provided. Please have them write the amount of the donation each week on a slip of paper and include it in the baggie/box.
- Please invite your friends and family to donate online. Create an account at www.studentseries.org/find-your-school. (Make sure donors include your student's name in notes.)
- The top class will win a Pizza Party!
- Students can also participate in the special celebrations if they donate a dollar on these days: 2/22 Crazy Hat Day; 3/1 "Moustache" You to Donate Day, 3/8 Costume Day

Congratulations LNCS Chess Teams!

- Our K-3 team won 1st place at the first ever all-female tournament last weekend - led by Taylor G., Netta G., Berit S. and Bailey G. LNCS had the most participants by far!
- Our Junior League team started a 5-0 win streak two weekends ago at Keywaydin and finished league play last weekend at Folwell. This earned them a 1st place trophy in the Minneapolis Division and qualifies them for the State playoffs in April. Our Keywaydin was led by Jack S., Lewis G., Calvin P., Quinn P. and Olin S.
- We are so proud of the concentration, patience and discipline of our chess teams!

Quarter 2 Report Cards

- Grades K-2: Report Cards went home in backpacks this week.
- Grades 3-5: Report cards will be sent home with students the week of February 18.
- Grades 6-8: The district will mail out to students' home addresses the week of February 18.

Viva City Visual Arts Exhibitions Feb. 3 - March 29

- Viva City is an annual district-wide art exhibit in the John B. Davis Gallery located at 1250 West Broadway Ave, Minneapolis. This year, please congratulate the following students for creating amazing artwork for this exhibit: Lul M. 5th grade for Clay coil pot, Zachary K. 4th grade for Clay flower tile, Claudia Z.C. 4th grade for Cardboard architecture relief and Lucy T. 3rd grade for Still Life drawing. These students were honored at a recognition ceremony on February 7th at the Davis Center and everyone is welcome to stop by to see their artwork from now until March 29, 2019. The exhibit is free.

Calendar

February

- 15 No School – Parent/Teacher conferences
- 15 Keewaydin Conferences 8:30am - 2:30pm
- 15 Wenonah Conferences 8:30am – 4:30pm
- 15 MPS School Request Deadline

- 18 **No School - President's Day**
- 19 Kindergarten Room 100 to Food Shelf, 10am-noon
- 19 MPS Budget Meeting, 6:30-8pm at the Davis Center, 1250 W. Broadway
- 21 MPS Budget Meeting, 6:30-8pm at the Wilder Building Auditorium, 3320 Elliot Avenue S.
- 22 Wenonah Crazy Hat Day
- 22 Yearbook Cover Contest Deadline to submit art
- 22 Community Ed deadline to register for Spring Session
- 23 Valentine's Dinner & Dance, 5:30-8pm at Crosstown Covenant Church
- 25 Keewaydin African American Parent Involvement Day, 11am-1pm
- 26 3rd Grade rooms 114 & 116 to Minneapolis Institute of Art
- 27 3rd Grade room 118 to Minneapolis Institute of Art
- 27 Wenonah January and February Student of the Month Celebration, 10:15am
- 28 MPS Black Life, History and Culture Celebration, 6-8pm at Franklin Middle School, 1501 Aldrich Avenue North

March

- 1 Wenonah "I Moustache You to Donate" Day
- 8 Wenonah Costume/Dress as Your Favorite Book Character Day
- 14 2nd Grade Families to "What to Expect in 3rd Grade", 6:30-7:30pm at Keewaydin Auditorium
- 20 8th Grade to STEM Expo, 10am-1:45pm
- 28 5th Grade to MN History Museum, 10am-2:45pm