

What's Coming Up?

Summer Community Education Class Registration Opens – Sunday, March 3

- Super Summer Classes available to view online now, and registration opens **March 3rd at 5pm**. Check out the wide variety of enrichment fee-based classes offered at schools around the city, including sports, arts, STEM, and outdoors, plus some before and after care. Classes start at \$39! <http://youth.mpls.k12.mn.us/summer>
- Mr. Adam De Leeuw, LNCS Community Ed Coordinator, will be leading the summer program at Hale and he hopes you'll join him there! Email adam.deleeuw@mpls.k12.mn.us or call 612-290-0221 for more information.

Keewaydin Music in the Commons – Tuesday, March 5

- Join us for music performed by our 8th Grade Band. All families are welcome to attend on Tuesday, March 5th from 9:20-9:35am. Questions about band please email: Allison.cramer@mpls.k12.mn.us

Taco Dinner Fundraiser for 8th Grade Washington DC Trip –Thursday, March 7

- 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 from 5-7pm. The cost for adults is \$8 and for kids is \$5. For more information please email: jaylanson2@gmail.com
- Stay after the Taco Night to join us for a special LNCS Budget & Planning Meeting.

All Families Invited to School Budget & Planning Meeting - Thursday, March 7

- MPS has released a new budgeting system for next year and we'd love to share it with you. Our hope is that it will make budgeting and staffing more predictable at our schools. We've received our LNCS budget numbers for next year and our principals would to hear your priorities as we make decisions about how to use our funds.
- 7-8pm in the Keewaydin Auditorium. Come for the Taco Night and stay for this great discussion.
- Childcare will be provided for ages 3+.
- This meeting will replace the Site Council meeting that would normally be held the 2nd Thursday of the month.

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).

Keewaydin Student Recognition Ceremony for Quarter 2 - Friday, March 8

- Families are welcome to join us to celebrate the achievement of our students during Quarter 2! Recognition for Grades 3-5 begins at 11:30am and for Grades 6-8 at 3:30pm. Recognition ceremonies will be in the Keewaydin Auditorium.

MPS Chess Tournament to be Hosted at Keewaydin: All are invited! – Saturday, March 9

- All MPS K-12 students of all chess abilities are invited to this fun family friendly “Check It Out” Chess Tournament. It’s free and includes lunch. (Students do not have to be part of a team to participate). Parents are encouraged to spend the day at the tournament supporting their child and learning more about chess. It’s at Edison High School, 700 22nd Ave. NE, Mpls (enter main doors and follow signs to cafeteria) from 8:30am – 4:00pm. For more information and registration go to http://alc.mpls.k12.mn.us/chess_2 or contact Janae at 612-668-1202 or jakra002@mpls.k12.mn.us. You can also contact Keewaydin’s coaches at leif.berg@mpls.k12.mn.us and/or adams922@gmail.com

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+.
- This event will take the place of our March PTA meeting. (Also there will be no Site Council meeting on the 14th.)
- Hopefully 3rd times a charm for this event! Thanks for your patience with all the weather cancellations.

1st & 2nd Grade Night of the Arts – Thursday, March 21

- Please join us in the Wenonah gym for 1st and 2nd Grade Musical Performances and Art Displays. This year the two grades are combined into one night. Students should arrive 5-10 minutes prior to their performance time and go directly to the performance area (risers in the gymnasium). Here’s the schedule:
 - 5:30-6:15pm – 1st grade performs in the gym and then shows art in the cafeteria/hallways
 - 6:30-7:15pm – 2nd grade performs in the gym and then shows art in the cafeteria/hallways

School Notes

Important New City Winter Parking Restrictions at Both Campuses

- Beginning February 27 the City of Minneapolis will not allow parking on the EVEN numbered side of non-Snow Emergency Routes until April 1, 2019. Cars will be ticketed or towed. Winter Parking restrictions are being put in place because the amount of snow has narrowed streets which poses a risk to public safety.
- **Keewaydin: Families can NOT use 30th Ave. as a pick-up location for children at dismissal time.** Dismissal pick-up should be done on 53rd street and cars can park/ pull through the lot near door 3. Our busses need to be able to use 30th Ave. which is now very narrow due to the snow amounts. Thank you for your cooperation.

- **Wenonah: Families can NOT park on 23rd Avenue at any time during these parking restrictions.** Parking is still available in the south and north parking lots. Curb-side drop off (do not leave vehicle) is still available on the odd/east side of 23rd during this restriction.

4th Quarter Specialist Electives: 6th & 7th Grades

- All students in 6th & 7th grade will be signing up for their 4th quarter Specialist Elective class next week. Keep an eye out for the flyer being sent home Monday, March 4th. Students will sign up in specialist class on Friday March 8th, by indicating their 1st, 2nd, & 3rd choices. Specialist teachers will do their best to make sure students get their first choice, but class size will play a role into whether students get their first, second, or third choice.
- Descriptions of the classes are available online (and will also be sent home on paper on Monday): http://lakenokomis.mpls.k12.mn.us/4th_quarter_electives_for_6th_7th_graders_2019.html

Visiting Artists at Keewaydin

- Keewaydin welcomes these artistic partners!
 - Northern Clay ceramic artist Erin Clay will be working with 7th and 8th grade art students during this quarter.
 - 5th graders will be working with visiting Compas Spoken Word poet, educator and MC, See More Perspective, the week of March 4-8. The theme for their workshops will be "Identity".
 - 6th graders will be working with visiting Compas Spoken Word artist, Tou Saiko Lee, the week of March 11-15th. The theme for their workshops will be "Inclusion".

Keewaydin Basketball Teams to Compete in Middle School Tournament

- We hope many fans will show up to support our boys and girls basketball teams at the Middle School City Tournament. Girls play on Saturday, March 2nd at Southwest High School at 1:30pm versus the winner of Folwell/Franklin game. Good luck to all of our Keewaydin basketball players and coaches! Keewaydin is proud of YOU!

Wenonah Food Drive a Huge Success!

- Thank you to room 100 for leading this year's food drive, and to everyone who made donations. We gave 580 lbs of food which is one of the biggest donations that Minnehaha Food Shelf has ever received from one group! This food will feed 19 people for 4 days. Thank you LNCS Community.

In the Community

Urban Ventures Spring Basketball Tryouts

- Register now for "Spring Basketball Tryouts" for boys & girls in grades 3-12. Tryouts dates are 3/16 @ 9am, 3/17 @ 2pm, 3/30 @ 9am, & 3/31 @ 2pm, at the Colin Powell Center 2924 4th Ave S. For more information or to

register visit uva.urbanventures.org or email robertware@urbanventures.org. Urban Ventures Athletics are excited for the upcoming season!!

- Urban Ventures is a faith-based community organization that offers programs from cradle-to-career to support kids and their families through each stage of a child's development. Core programs offered are education, athletics, nutrition, music & arts.

Calendar

February

- 23 Valentine's Dinner & Dance, 5:30-8pm at Crosstown Covenant Church
- 25 Keewaydin African American Parent Involvement Day, 11am-1pm
- 25-March 1 Wenonah classes sledding field trips during PE
- 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
- 3 Summer Community Education Classes - Registration Opens
- 5 Ms. Van room 208 to Science Museum, 9:45am-2:15pm
- 7 Taco Dinner fundraiser, 5-7pm in the Keewaydin Cafeteria
- 7 All LNCS Budget & Planning Meeting, 7-8pm in Keewaydin Auditorium
- 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
- 21 1st and 2nd Grades Night of the Arts, 1st Grade @ 5:30-6:15pm, 2nd Grade @ 6:30-7:15pm
- 23 Regional History Day at Roosevelt High Day
- 25 Wenonah Student of the Month Celebration, 10:15am in the gymnasium
- 28 5th Grade to MN History Museum, 10am-2:45pm
- 28 4th Grade Dulcimer Concert, 10-11:30am in the Keewaydin Auditorium
- 29 **No School – Teacher Record Keeping Day**

April

- 1-5 No School – Spring Break**

8 Classes resume

23 Keewaydin "Night of the Arts" Band Concert 6:30-7:30, Cookies & Art 7:30-8:00.