

What's Coming Up?

MPS Chess Tournament – Will Proceed Despite the Snow! – 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. Registration is allowed in person at the tournament.
- MPS has announced that the tournament will continue despite prediction for afternoon snow. They are making adjustments to help the tournament end a little early.

LNCS Gatherings Open Skating Event – Saturday, March 9

- You are invited to the Richfield Ice Arena, 636 E 66th St, Richfield for a day of LNCS fun. Skating from 11:45-12:45 and then snacks and socializing from 12:45-1:45. Suggested donation is \$5 per skater. Skates are available at the rink if needed.

First Day of Spring Community Education – Monday, March 11

- All spring Community Ed classes start the week of March 11.
- Winter classes are done. If you student is no longer taking a class, make sure your teacher knows how they should get home after school.

Registration Opens for Summer Minneapolis Kids – Monday, March 11

- At Keewaydin this summer, June 13-August 23 (closed July 4 & 5). They offer full day care (6:30am-6pm) for \$42.20 and before/after summer school & GEMS/GISE for \$25/day. Must register for a minimum of 10 days. Registration opens at noon on March 11 at <https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/child-care/1/minneapolis-kids-school-age-child-care>

Jenny in the City Shopping Night Fundraiser– Monday, March 11

- Jenny in the City is having a private shopping night just for us! They will be donating a percentage of their sales to our 8th grader's Washington DC trip. Stop by anytime between 6-8 pm on Monday, March 11. Enjoy some snacks and beverages while you check out the latest clothing trends and accessories. Jenny in the City is located next to Starbucks at 4704 Cedar Ave. <https://shopjennyinthecity.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. McNerny. 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

New City Winter Parking Restrictions at Both Campuses!

- Please remember these winter parking restrictions for March. Parking is being limited to one side of each street to make sure roads are wide enough for emergency vehicles and busses to pass. Currently cars are being ticketed and busses are getting stuck at both campuses due to families not following these restrictions, so please pay close attention:
 - **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.
 - **Wenonah: Our restrictions have been amended...but like always, parking is NOT allowed on the east/odd side of 23rd Avenue.** (That area is only for curbside drop off and families should never leave their car there.) Families should use the north and south lots.

No Parking in School Lots this Weekend – Getting Ready for School Monday

- It’s been a snowy winter for us all and Minneapolis is expecting significant snow again this weekend. In an effort to make sure the LNCS parking lots are plowed in time for school on Monday morning, it’s important that people DO NOT PARK in our parking lot this weekend. Cars left in our lot this weekend may be towed to allow our plows access to the lot.
- We will be posting signs on the lots reminding people of the possibility of towing, but we hope you’ll help spread the word.
- Thank you for helping us be ready for school on Monday.

AmeriCorps Week – Monday-Friday, March 11-18

- This is a seven-day celebration of AmeriCorps and everything our Reading and Math Corps bring to our school communities. At Keewaydin, we celebrate and are thankful for Tammy, Sophie, Maggie and Joanne for your dedication and commitment to our students and families. At Wenonah we are thankful for Jerris, Bob, and Annie. We appreciate ALL you do!

Yearbook Cover Contest Winners

- The yearbook students have voted on the 36 Yearbook Cover Contest entries we received, and the winners are....Front Cover: Beulah E-T. 6th grade, Back Cover: Hanna L. 8th grade and Wenonah/Keewaydin Page Divider: Sophia L., 8th grade. Congratulations to the winners and to all the artists who entered art - the yearbook will have a special page in it to show all the entries we received!

Debate Team Faces Tough Challenges at Tournament

- On Thursday, March 7th Keewaydin's debate team had a tough challenge and the competition was strong, but so were our debaters! Despite cancelled practices due to the weather, the team had a good showing against Highland Park, Sanford, Yinghua Academy and Laura Jeffrey Academy. Here are some highlights: Top Speaker Awards~Rookie Division, Kamell B.T. took 5th place. Team Awards~Rookie Division- Kamell took 8th place, Novice Division-Shannon V. & Maia K-H. took 2nd place, Laine A. & Ava W. took 6th place and Olive G. & Leah S-R. took 10th place and in the Junior Varsity Division-Matthew P., Brenden C., Xavier G., took 4th place (this is their first time in this division!) Congratulations to all the debaters!

Calendar

March

- 9 MPS Chess Tournament, Edison High School, 700 22nd Ave. NE, Mpls, 8:30am-4pm
- 9 LNCS Gatherings Open Skate, Richfield Ice Arena, 636 E 66th St, Richfield; skating 11:45-12:45, snacks and socializing 12:45-1:45
- 11 First day of Spring Community Education Classes
- 11 Registration Opens for Summer Mpls Kids, noon
- 11 Jenny in the City fundraiser, 6-8pm at 4704 Cedar Avenue
- 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
- 26 Keewaydin Debate Team Championship
- 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

15 Mpls Kids fall registration opens for return families and their siblings, at noon

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

29 Mpls Kids fall registration opens for new families, at noon