



Deephaven Elementary
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THE WINDS
APRIL 27, 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

April 25-29	Kindness Week
April 27	Wacky Wednesday: Silly Sock & Hair Day
April 28	Student Art Exhibition
May 4	National Walk & Bike to School Day
May 4	Student Leadership
May 6	Grade 5 Finale at MME, 6:30 p.m.
May 13	Student Leadership Bike Trip
May 13	Family Pizza Party - Tickets available
May 17	Grade 4/5 Orchestra Concert (GRV & DH) at Groveland, 7 p.m.
May 21	Deephaven Parent Party - Tickets available
May 23	Grade 4/5 Band Concert (DH & MWTA) at MHS Arts Center, 5:30 p.m.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Ukraine Fundraiser raised over \$1,700 for the people of Ukraine. Thank you to everyone who donated and to Leonard Litvinov, second grader in Mrs. Norton's classroom, for initiating and leading this effort.

Deephaven Art Exhibition is tomorrow night from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to view our students' artwork. Thank you to Reid Anderson, Deephaven art teacher, and Marta Chou, lead volunteer, for their work in making the Art Exhibition possible.

Drop off – It is natural to stop at our front door when dropping off your child. We ask that you **pull forward as far as possible**, many times this is past the front door, to drop your child off. This allows more cars to get off of Vine Hill Road.

Uptick in Covid – We are seeing an uptick in our Covid numbers. As a reminder, your child is not required to wear a mask, but he/she is allowed to wear one, even though we do not have a district mask mandate in place. The KN95 masks are the safest when it comes to preventing the spread of Covid. Masks are available in our office.

PTA Volunteers are back in school and supporting our students in staff in many ways. Thank you to all of our parent volunteers for supporting our school. Check out the PTA DEVO email that comes out every Sunday night for opportunities to be involved at Deephaven. We would enjoy having anyone, with time

and interest, volunteer at Deephaven. The time and energy put forth by our volunteers makes a huge impact on our ability to provide an outstanding education to our students.

Deephaven Classroom Teachers for 2022-2023

- **RSK** - Katie Nagel/Jenny Gaard
- **Kindergarten – English**
 - Kari Kohrs
 - Emily Langan
- **Kindergarten – Spanish**
 - Claudia Morales
 - Lizzy Maus
 - Madelyn PearsonFirst Grade
- **First Grade - English**
 - Karen Clepper
 - Jennissa Schommer
- **First Grade - Spanish**
 - Janetta Gong
 - Hannah Loera
 - Julie Rothman
- **Second Grade - English**
 - Nicole Bailey/Elizabeth Renz
 - Rachel Norton
- **Second Grade - Spanish**
 - Malorie Brockamp
 - Jessie Knowles
 - Jane Sladky Valley
- **Third Grade - English**
 - Debbie Moss
 - Jennifer Peters
- **Third Grade - Spanish**
 - Kendra Dahlbacka
 - Stephanie Gloe
 - To Be Hired
- **Fourth Grade English**
 - Brennan Dickinsen
 - Janelle Laurent
- **Fourth Grade Spanish**
 - Kirsten Lunzer
 - Betsey Powell
 - Susan Owens
- **Fifth Grade - English**
 - Karl Boberg
 - Joe Sherry
- **Fifth Grade - Spanish**
 - Elizabeth Burgos

- Courtney Loynachan
- **2022-2023 Leave of absences**
 - Mike Borgendale - Fifth Grade English
 - Blanca Orteu - Third Grade Spanish

Minnetonka Schools Dress Code – With spring here, this is a reminder about our district’s dress code, Policy #504. Here is a portion of the policy. You may find the entire policy by following this link: <https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1610148707/minnetonka/pooj7mlyiivf2szvk6og/504StudentDressandAppearance.pdf>

Clothing must cover areas from one armpit across to the other armpit, down to approximately mid-thighs, applicable to front and back. Tops must have shoulder straps.

OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION

This week we will talking about the C in CARES of cooperation. What have you done to show cooperation this year and how does it make our school a better place?

DID YOU KNOW?

VANTAGE/MOMENTUM Building Groundbreaking

Thursday, May 5 at 5:00 p.m. on the hill at the future site of the VANTAGE/MOMENTUM Building (5735 County Road 101)

Parents, students and staff are all invited on Thursday, May 5 for a groundbreaking event in celebration of the new VANTAGE/MOMENTUM building. This will be the first completely new school building Minnetonka Public Schools has constructed in more than 55 years. The building will open for classes in Fall 2023.

The groundbreaking will feature addresses from District and community leaders, a display of renderings of the new building and the groundbreaking itself with members of the Minnetonka School Board, Superintendent Dr. Dennis Peterson and others. Light refreshments will be served.

Parking is available in the shared District Service Center/Clear Springs Elementary parking lot at 5621 County Road 101, Minnetonka, MN 55345, as well as in the Clear Springs Elementary Bus Corral lot. To access the Clear Springs Bus Corral lot, turn east off of County Road 101 onto Covington Road.

Questions? Contact the Minnetonka Schools Communications team at communications@minnetonkaschools.org

Celebration of Excellence

Thursday, May 12 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Arts Center at Minnetonka High School

All are invited and welcome to attend the 2022 Celebration of Excellence awards program, honoring several of the District’s outstanding teachers, staff and community volunteers. The event will take place on Thursday, May 12 at the Arts Center at Minnetonka High School. A reception begins at 6:30 p.m. in

the Arts Center lobby, and the awards ceremony begins at 7 p.m. The event is open to the public, and the ceremony will also be live-streamed.

Find details and the names of award honorees on the [District website](#).

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Superintendent Dr. Dennis Peterson's Retirement Celebration

Wednesday, June 1 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Arts Center at Minnetonka High School

Parents, students and staff are cordially invited to join the Minnetonka community for a gathering to celebrate Superintendent Dr. Dennis Peterson's 21 years of service with Minnetonka Public Schools, as well as more than 50 years as a superintendent. He will retire on June 30, 2022. The retirement celebration will include a reception with light refreshments followed by a program honoring Dr. Peterson's impact and legacy.

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You're Invited to Help Us Celebrate Our Teachers!

Share a Word, Photo or Story by Sunday, May 1

Students and families: We are getting ready to celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week in May, and we need your help! Fill out this [Google form](#) to share your Teacher Appreciation Week submissions with us.

Here's what we are looking for:

1. **Share a Word.** How would you describe Minnetonka teachers in one word? We will be compiling all words shared into a "word cloud" graphic of encouragement.
2. **Share a Photo.** Share a photo of your child with a card, sign or other encouraging note for Minnetonka teachers. You may also email a photo directly to communications@minnetonkaschools.org. Submitted photos may be used as part of a web story or shared on Minnetonka Schools social media channels.
 1. **Need a place to get started?** You are welcome to print and decorate these [downloadable Teacher Appreciation Week coloring sheets!](#)
1. **Share a Story.** Do you have a story of a time a Minnetonka teacher has made a difference for your child or your family? We want to hear about it!

You are welcome to submit in any of the categories, or all three. Complete the form by Sunday, May 1 to have your submissions considered!

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PTA PULSE

If you'd like to get involved, we could use the help! Reach out to Amanda Sutter (sutter.amandalynn@gmail.com) for details.

Kindness Week - We are halfway through Kindness Week! Fill out the Challenge Choice Board to receive a free scoop of custard. Stop by our table at the Student Art Exhibition for a kindness project. Thank you to **Culver's of Minnetonka** for donating the free custard certificates! Questions contact Rebecca Anderson (rconn229@gmail.com)

Student Art Exhibition - April 28th 5:00-7:00. Student art will be displayed throughout the school and there will be make-and-take art stations for kids to enjoy.

National Walk & Bike to School Day - May 4 Lace up your walking shoes, raise your kickstands, and join the thousands of students and families all around the country in this year's National Walk & Bike to School Day on May 4. Deephaven Elementary will participate in this community building event that promotes healthy habits for students as well as the environment! See the attached flyers for a map of the event and ways your student can participate regardless of your location and current method of transportation to and from school. You can find more information regarding the event at <https://link.edgepilot.com/s/69f4475b/NFd2SVrgUEGhjtcmKOBbHQ?u=http://www.walkbiketoschool.org> or feel free to reach out to the organizers, carynwinkler@gmail.com or wendyaduren@gmail.com

Deephaven's Annual Family Pizza Party - Friday, May 13. Pizza dinner, DJ and raffle prizes! 5:30-7:30 pm at the school. Pizza will be served in the front gym and there will be a DJ in the back gym. Tickets are \$5/person or \$20/family and will be available online soon and at the door. **Get your tickets today!** Scholarships available! Sign up to volunteer on [volunteer on Membership Toolkit](#) or contact Scott Boynton scott_boynton@relymedia.com.

The pizza party raffle is back! Tickets will be on sale for \$1 each - CASH ONLY. Prizes include...

- LED Hovertrax Hoverboard
- Apple AirPods True Wireless Bluetooth Headphones
- Polaroid Splash Waterproof Photo and Video Streaming Camera
- Fly and Drive Rechargeable Drone

Deephaven Parent Party Tickets LIVE; Virtual Auction Opens May 7th GIDDY UP! The excitement for our annual Deephaven Parent Party and Virtual Auction is building! Thanks to the support of this amazing community, we have HUNDREDS of amazing items to bid on, including.... (more than one!) YETI coolers, a solo stove, theatre and sports ticket, and more! Check out our event and auction site [HERE](#) to plan your bidding strategy for the auction which opens May 7th, and **get your tickets** to attend the festivities in person on May 21st. Questions? Reach out to Parent Party Co-Chairs Polly Madsen (madsen.polly@gmail.com) and Stephanie Powell (marystephanie@gmail.com)

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