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School News

**THANK
YOU!**

It's Teacher Appreciation Week!

Calling all parents, guardians, students and friends of Lake Harriet Community School! **Teacher Appreciation Week is now** - May 2nd until May 6th. Please take a moment and thank our fabulous team of teachers. Ideas are endless, but handwritten notes, drawings, poems and video messages are meaningful ways to say thank you. All of our teachers and staff, whether they are homeroom teachers or specialists, do appreciate any gesture of recognition for their time and care with our students! In honor of Teacher Appreciation Week, the PTA will also be hosting a lunch for all teachers and staff. Thank you for supporting your PTA and school community!



DRAGONFEST CARNIVAL

Carnival

Thank you all for attending the DragonFest Carnival on Friday night. It was a huge success and even a chilly, rainy April night couldn't dampen the excitement. It was so wonderful to watch the kids experience some typical school carnival fun after a two year hiatus!

We want to be sure to thank our hardworking carnival team for pulling together games, finding volunteers, making plans and creating a fun event where we could celebrate our community. We are especially grateful to several past LHCS parents who came back after their kids have moved onto middle school and high school, to train in our new team or stepping up when we didn't have a new volunteer. You

Thank You For a Successful DragonFest



School Supplies Ordering Now Open

Get a head start on the 2022-2023 school year by ordering your school supplies through 1st Day School Supplies! One easy order and all your supplies will be sent to school and distributed to students during the Open House in August.

Lower Campus:
<https://1stday.sale/56175>

Upper Campus:
<https://1stday.sale/1177861>



Cowles Dance Residency with First Graders

Click on [this link](#) to check out what our first graders are currently doing in PE!



LHCS Garden Team

Tree Trust is coming to Lake Harriet Community Schools on **May 18th** to host a school-wide Planting Day as part of their "[Learning with Trees](#)" program! Each class at both campuses will be coming outside throughout the day to plant a tree in the schoolyard. Sign up to volunteer [HERE](#).

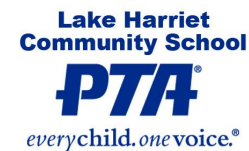
Weekly Garden Team meet-ups will kickstart on **May 25th**! Come join us every Wednesday (9:00 AM at LC, and 2:00 PM @ UC) to roll up our sleeves and engage in regular garden maintenance together. BYO trowel and garden gloves if you have them.

are all superstars!

Chair: Nikki Neirmann + David Wells
Games: Emily Spallino + Claire Bryan + Claudia Nanninga (outgoing)
Silent auction: Alicia Eimers + Anna Knapp + Heather Hunt
Sponsors: Lauren Truesdale + Ingrid Soderberg (outgoing)
Graphics: Jason Walker
Clean Up: Dave Hecker
Food: Molly Reitsema + Lorna Beth Hunter Karen Bridges (outgoing)
Volunteers: Anne Thielen (outgoing)
Tickets: Todd Schuman + Julie Gerth (outgoing)
Prizes: Kate Erickson + Louisa Jaehn (outgoing)
Decorations: Kim Walsh + Julie Robertson (outgoing)

Save the date for next year April 28th, 2023!

Please reach out to Elana Rosen at rosen.elana@gmail.com if you are interested in joining the team.



Monthly PTA Meeting May 10

Our monthly LHCS PTA meeting will be held in the Upper Campus Media Center **Tuesday, May 10 from 6:30 - 7:30 PM**. Please join us to hear updates from our principals and learn more about how we support our teachers and school community. If able, please consider joining us in-person. If you can't join us in person, please e-mail LHCSmembership@gmail.com for a Zoom link. Thank you for supporting your PTA.



Minneapolis Kids Jr Registration Opens Tomorrow

The new [Minneapolis Kids Jr program](#) is for four-year-old children! Minneapolis Kids Jr will be open Monday-Friday from 6:30 AM-6:00 PM. The program will follow the school year calendar, and is designed for children who will be entering kindergarten the following year.

Registration begins Wednesday, May 4 at 7:00 AM.

To learn more about the Garden Team, or join our e-mail list, please contact Emily at lhcsgardenteam@gmail.com. No gardening experience necessary.

Lower Campus Field Day!



By now all of you Lower Campus families should have received an e-mail introducing you to our Lower Campus annual Field Day sharing information on volunteering for this fun end-of-the-year celebration.

If you did not receive this e-mail, here is a link to the information:

[Lake Harriet Lower Field Day Info](#)

You can also click on the following link to go directly to the volunteer sign-up:

[Volunteer Sign-Up!](#)



Upper Campus Field Day is June 1

Save the date! Upper Campus Field Day will be held on Wednesday, June 1 at 9:45 AM at the Southwest High School Track. Rain date is June 2. Parents are welcome to come and watch. More information to come.



New School Land Acknowledgement Statement

Lake Harriet Community School families and staff members will soon hear a new land acknowledgement statement recited at school assemblies, open houses and other school-wide meetings, celebrations and events.

The LHCS land acknowledgement statement is a formal recognition and first step in the reunion of ancestral land that our school campuses sit upon today with the original Indigenous caretakers and stewards of the land, the Dakota.

Your student will learn the statement below in everyday school events as a catalyst for learning and conversation.



Upper Campus Parent Pick Up

To protect the safety of our students, parents must drive north on Washburn for parent pick up. Too many students have been darting across Washburn in front of moving vehicles to meet cars traveling south. This is not safe. If you are driving south on Washburn we will ask you to continue to the House of Music parking lot where you can turn around to head north. Thank you for helping protect our students.

“The land our schools sit upon is known as Mni Sota Makoce, The Land where the Waters Reflect the Clouds. This is the homeland of the Dakota people. We recognize the many contributions of indigenous communities, including resilience in the face of injustice.

We will be healers and truth tellers on these grounds.”

Upcoming Events Summary

Site Council Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 5:15 PM, Upper Campus

PTA Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 6:30 PM, Upper Campus

No School: Memorial Day, May 30

Upper Campus Field Day: Wednesday, June 1

Lower Campus Field Day: Friday, June 3

No School: Juneteenth, observed June 20

For all upcoming school events please refer to the [school calendar](#).

Community News



FREE 612mtb Girls Try-It-Out Mountain Biking Clinic

Saturday May 14, 10:00 - 11:30am
Lake Nokomis / Hiawatha Park
2701 E 44th St, Minneapolis, MN 55406

The 612 Mountain Bike Team is hosting a free Try-It-Out Clinic for female-identifying riders new to the sport. This clinic will introduce the fundamental skills of mountain biking in a fun and relaxed environment. Come out and join us to Try-It Out! You'll also meet current team members and have the opportunity to learn about our team!

Clinic Registration (opens Mon, Apr 18, closes Thurs, May 12) :

[Clinic Registration Here!](#)

If the clinic is full, please sign up on our waiting list.



612mtb Team Registration Open

612mtb is a mountain bike team that includes riders (non-experienced and experienced) from South Minneapolis high schools (South, Southwest, Roosevelt and Washburn), as well as home school, private and charter school students. Middle schoolers can join too. We start practice together during the summer, and race together during the fall.

Team registration is now open, and will close on June 1. The easiest way to register for the team is to fill out this [New Rider Form](#). You can also click [here](#) for the 2022 season registration announcement, and read more about us at www.612mtb.com - look at the “Join the Team” and “FAQ” tabs.

If mountain biking is for you, we would

Still have questions about the Girls clinic?
E-mail: 612mtbinfo+girls@gmail.com
Interested in registering for the 612mtb
team? E-mail: 612mtbinfo@gmail.com

love to have you join the 612MTB
team. Send any
questions to 612mtbinfo@gmail.com.

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