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School News



Halloween Pancake & Waffle Breakfast

On Sunday, 10/31 from 8 AM to 1 PM, Lake Harriet Masonic Lodge (4519 France Ave S) is hosting their annual breakfast to

benefit our school! All-you-can-eat pancakes, waffles, eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, tea, milk and juice. \$9 adults, \$5 kids 6-12, 5 and under free. All kitchen staff are fully vaccinated and doing extra cleaning & sanitizing. Halloween costumes encouraged!



Lower Campus Picture Day

Lifetouch has re-scheduled Lower Campus Picture Day for November 22 (with retakes on December 7).

Note that the Upper Campus Picture Re-take Day is November 10.

Please contact [Sasha Jensen](#) if you are interested in volunteering.



Secretary Announcement at Lower Campus

We are excited to announce that Julie Adams-Gerth will be joining the Lake Harriet Lower community as building secretary. Julie is a former LHCS parent and active volunteer. Her knowledge and skill set will make her an excellent addition to our team. She is being onboarded with human resources. Her official start date is TBD.



Volunteer Requirement Update

Volunteers,

On September 14, the MPS Board of Education unanimously supported a resolution requiring all MPS staff members as well as all contractors, community partners, and volunteers who have direct contact with students to either certify that they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or commit to regular COVID-19 testing. MPS believes this measure not only increases safety for everyone in our schools against infection and severe illness, but it also helps give parents and communities confidence in the safety of our schools. Our overarching goal is to have students attending school in person to the greatest extent possible.

Beginning October 15, MPS will require all volunteers to certify that they agree to follow this requirement by either being fully vaccinated or committing to testing within a week of entering an MPS building. The form is available online [here](#) and paper copies of the form will also be available at the school check-in desk (in English, Hmong, Somali and Spanish). Please bring a copy of the completed form to show whenever you check-in for your volunteer shift at your school. The school will not collect a copy of your completed form; you can keep the form to show each time you volunteer.

For more information, including key definitions and



Retirement Announcement at Lower Campus

Anita Kangas has announced her retirement as a kindergarten teacher from Lake Harriet Lower.

Ms. Kangas has spent 21 years as a classroom teacher. Her last six years as a teacher has been with us at Lake Harriet Lower. She shared that it was a difficult decision, but due to health concerns, she determined that it was necessary to retire now.

We are fortunate to welcome Nathan Tensen Woolery as our reserve teacher until we hire our new kindergarten teacher. Mr. Woolery has taught

in our building in multiple classrooms and roles. He has the necessary experience with our students, community, and curriculum to create a strong transition between teachers.

FAQs, please review the MPS Vaccination Requirement FAQs which continues to be updated for immediate answers and guidance.

Thank you for all of the work you do to support MPS staff, students and families. Questions? Please email volunteer.services@mpls.k12.mn.us.

Upcoming Events Summary

No School: November 5

Site Council Meeting: November 9, 5:00-6:00

PTA Meeting: November 9, 6:30-7:30

Upper Campus Picture Re-take Day: November 10

Lower Campus Picture Day: November 22

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

Community News

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