PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Dear Loring Families,

As we move into these cold winter months I want to encourage you to make sure your children are bundled up with warm clothes each day. We go outside for recess 20-30 minutes a day unless it’s below zero outside. If you are in need of warm clothes, please have your child connect with their classroom teacher or our social worker Mrs. Sheila. We can help provide some warm clothes for families in need.

I also want to share some exciting news about our drama club Footlights. Our former secretary who passed away, Nora Sidle, started our drama club years ago. Her passion was to infuse the arts into elementary education and to give students and the community a chance to perform. She was able to form a partnership with Patrick Henry’s drama club that still exists to this day. Well, her daughter Sarah Haberman approached me this fall to ask if she could start up Footlights again. I said absolutely and now we have an original performance slated for early December. In fact, their big performance will take place on December 7th during our community Holiday on 44th event. I hope to see all of you there!

Finally, I want to share some safety and security updates for Loring School. We received new video door entry technology in our main office this week. This allows our office staff to clearly see who is entering our building before buzzing them in. Thank you Minneapolis Public Schools for investing in this security device for our building.

I hope you all have a wonderful start to the holiday season!

Sincerely,
Ryan Gibbs
Principal
Loring Community School
612-668-2060
ryan.gibbs@mpls.k12.mn.us
PICTURE RETAKE

Picture retake is this Thursday. If you plan to have your student take a retake and they already had a packet given to them from the original picture day, please have them bring their packet with them. Please be sure to order your pictures online at www.mylifetouch.com.

TRUE FOOD TASTE TEST

We will be having our true food taste test on Friday, Nov. 16th during student lunches. If you would like to help for even one lunch period

HONEY FOR SALE

All natural raw honey from the Loring School beehive is now for sale. Please see flyer/order form attached to this newsletter to order yours soon. They make great stocking stuffers!

ART AT EMILY’S

Congratulations to our Loring artists! Their art work will be displayed at Emily’s Restaurant till 12/15
Hi-5: Kai, Kinder: Zuzu, 1st Grade: June, 2nd Grade: Jaylin, 4th Grade: Angel

WINTER WEATHER IS HERE

Our schools provide students with a safe and stable place to learn. We understand that canceling school may cause some families hardships related to finding child care. Please see the attached flyer concerning our winter weather procedures.

EMERGENCY CHANGE OF CLOTHES

Now that the elements are changing outside, it is important to make sure our scholars have an emergency change of clothes and shoes. This is also helpful for when students have other kinds of accidents that requires them to change into different clothing. It is better for our students to be able to change into their own clothing than the clothing in the health office. These clothes will be kept in the student’s locker. If you need assistance with clothing or outer wear please contact our social worker Ms. Sheila Webb at 612-668-2067 or Sheila.Webb@mpls.k12.mn.us. Thank you.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMING TRANSPORTATION (BUSES)

Transportation has instructed us to advice families that just like regular day busing, buses may arrive 10-15 minutes before and after your scheduled drop off time. Also, be aware that with the seasons changing students are getting to their bus stops while it is dark outside. Lastly, with the temperatures getting colder it is a good idea to have a backup plan with your student in case they are not able to get into the house. For example; many families connect with a nearby neighbor and teach their student to go to that location in the event they are not able to get into their house.

DON’T FORGET, NO AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMING NEXT WEEK, NOV. 19TH & 20TH!
Thursday is Give to the Max Day!

One of our biggest fundraisers of the year is Give to the Max Day, on Thursday, November 15th. Encourage your friends and family to donate for Give to the Max Day. It’s totally online. Follow the official Loring page on Facebook (www.facebook.com/MPS.Loring) and watch for information sent home with your students.

You Did It!

Your donations helped buy five colorful “Flip Form” risers for our music room. They can be transformed from 3-step risers into flat platforms, and store and move easily. Watch for them in upcoming performances, and ask your student how they are using them in music class.

Volunteer Opportunities

Friday, December 7, 6-9 pm: Help with pizza dinner fundraiser for Holiday on 44th.

On your own schedule:
Ask local businesses for donations of silent auction items for the Spring Carnival.
Contact Megan at meganaitbenhaddou@gmail.com to let her know when you can help.

Coming Up

11/15/2018
Give to the Max Day – online fundraiser for Loring Community Council.

11/16/2018
5:30 – 7:30 pm – Turkey Bingo
Beef or veggie hot dog dinner, then bingo for turkeys and vegetarian field roasts and Turkey Trot for sides.

11/29/2018
7:15 – 8:15 am – Executive Council
Open to all interested in joining
8:30 – 9:30 am – Loring Community Council – Meet and Greet with the principal

12/7/2018
6:00 – 9:00 PM – Holiday on 44th – Loring families serving pizza dinner as fundraiser!

Contact Info

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www.facebook.com/groups/loringfamilies

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loringcc@gmail.com

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Angela Scalaletta
angelajane@gmail.com

Vice President
Joel Lokken

Treasurers
Becky Evan
Vicki Evan

Secretary
Paul Schulz

Volunteer Coordinator
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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

GIVE TO THE MAX DAY
IS NOVEMBER 15TH!

On Give to the Max Day, thousands of people will donate to Minnesota schools and nonprofit organizations. Because it’s all totally online, it’s a great opportunity to raise some money for our students without attending an event or going door-to-door.

Loring will be sharing links on our website, our Facebook page, and through email. All you have to do is share those. It’s easy and it really works!

Our Give to the Max Day page:
https://givemn.org/organization/loring-community-council-pta-20150213013126
(This link will be on the school website and Facebook page, too!)

give TO THE MAX
NOV. 15, 2018
LORING'S ANNUAL

TURKEY BINGO

DINNER, BINGO, & FLU SHOT CLINIC
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 5:30PM
LORING COMMUNITY SCHOOL
2600 44TH AVE N, MINNEAPOLIS

A fundraiser for
Loring Community Council
To volunteer: meganaibtbenhaddou@gmail.com/612.790.2744
Flu Vaccination Clinic

Stay Healthy!

The best way to protect against influenza is to get a flu shot every year. Protect yourself, your family and the community.

School name: Loring Community School

Address: 2600 44th Avenue North Minneapolis

Date: November 16th—Turkey Bingo Night!!

Time: 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

Phone number: 612-668-2066 (Loring Health Office)

If your family has health insurance, please bring your insurance card. Uninsured children will be vaccinated through the Minnesota Vaccines for Children (MVFC) Program.
TRUE FOOD
TASTE TEST!

HARVEST HUMMUS

Pumpkin, butternut squash, and other fall flavors. Recipe inspired by Naimah Muhammed, Marcy Open!

Nov 14-16

For more information, materials and recipes, visit cws.mpls.k12.mn.us/tftt
LORING PARENTS AND FAMILIES:
GET INVOLVED IN A FUN AND CREATIVE WAY -

ART ADVENTURE

Art Adventure is a partnership between schools and the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Parents attend a training at the museum, and then we visit classrooms to talk to our students about what they see and think about when they look at art.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. YOU DON’T NEED TO BE AN EXPERT OR EVEN HAVE ANY PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH ART!

HOW IT WORKS:

DECEMBER: ATTEND A CASUAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING WITH OTHER PARENTS

JANUARY: GO TO TRAINING AT THE MUSEUM

FEBRUARY: VISIT CLASSROOMS!

WANT MORE INFORMATION? READY TO SIGN UP?

EMAIL CARIN AT CARIN.MROTZ@GMAIL.COM.
WE’LL SET OUR DECEMBER MEETING DATE TOGETHER, SO SIGN UP NOW TO HAVE A SAY IN THE SCHEDULING!
Winter weather is here

Be prepared if we cancel school

Our schools provide students with a safe and stable place to learn. We understand that canceling school may cause some families hardships related to finding child care.

We consider closing school when:

- Wind chill is at -35°F (-37°C) or colder at 6:30 a.m.
- More than 6 inches of snow falls in 12 hours
- More than 8 inches of snow falls in 24 hours

We try to tell parents:

- By 6:00 p.m. the day before the cancellation, OR
- By 5:30 a.m. the day of the cancellation

We announce cancellations by:

Phone calls | Texts | Website | Facebook | Twitter | Radio | TV

Visit www.mpls.k12.mn.us/school_closing for more information.
Loring School Natural Honey is here and for sale!

A limited supply of Loring Honey is for sale. Hurry before it is gone!

2oz for $2.00 and 6oz for $6.00

Name:__________________________________________________________

Room:_________________________________________________________

2oz ______ X $2.00 = _______

6oz ______ X $6.00 = _______

Return forms to Ms. D