

# THE VALENTINE VIEW

## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Our Great School ♥ Our Great Community

May 1, 2009



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### SCHOOL CALENDAR...

#### **Mon Apr 27**

7:00 pm PTA meeting

#### **Tue Apr 28**

11:00 HVMS Orchestra Concert

#### **Wed Apr 29** *Flower orders due today*

1:40-3:20 2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs. Hays' class to Presb. Homes

#### **Thu Apr 30**

10:30-11:00 Band Concert

7:00 pm Band Concert @ BAES

**Mon May 4** StarLab in LMC for 2-weeks

#### **Wed May 6**

9:45-12:15 3<sup>rd</sup> to Children's Theatre

#### **Thu May 7**

10:30 Orchestra Concert (Tour Day)

#### **Fri May 8**

4:00-6:00 VHES chess tournament

**Mon May 11** StarLab here this week, LMC

9:35-1:05 1<sup>st</sup> to Children's Museum

#### **Tue May 12**

9:35-1:30 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> gr Safety Patrol picnic

9:45-12:45 2<sup>nd</sup> to Children's Theatre

#### **Wed May 13**

3:45 4<sup>th</sup> gr track leave for meet at IL

#### **Thu May 14**

7:00 p Orchestra Concert at BAES

#### **Fri May 15**

2:00 PACER presentation for 2<sup>nd</sup> gr

#### **Tue May 19**

9:15-4:30 Spring Book Fair, LMC

Last day for student book check out

#### **Wed May 20**

9:15-6:00 Book Fair, LMC

4:00 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> track meet at PWES

9:45-11:25 1<sup>st</sup> gr bird banding

#### **Thu May 21**

9:15-8:00 Book Fair, LMC

9:45-10:45 5<sup>th</sup> gr Folk Song practice

6:30 p 5<sup>th</sup> gr Folk Song Program, gyms

#### **Fri May 22**

*All LMC student books to be in by today*

#### **Mon May 25**

MEMORIAL DAY—NO SCHOOL

#### **Wed May 27**

12:30 Track meet at TLES

#### **Fri May 29**

3:45 5<sup>th</sup> gr leaves for track meet at ILES

*Dress Like Mr. J Day*

### SCHOOLVIEW and SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Mounds View Public Schools has an improved Internet parent portal called SchoolView that gives parents secure, electronic access to their student's records, including attendance reports, assignments\*, schedules\*, grades\* and other important information. While SchoolView may provide more information for middle school and high school students than for elementary students, all parents are able to check basic information for telephone numbers, etc., and we encourage you to do this from time to time. A letter was mailed to all District parents last fall asking them to verify their student's information online. \*Assignments, schedules and grades are not usually available at the elementary level.

If you still have that access code letter but haven't registered yet, you can log on and register by using the link below, and click on "I haven't Registered Yet." You will be asked to enter information contained in the letter.

\*District Number is: 0621

\*Access Keys in your letter may contain upper and lower case letters and special characters

If you notice any inaccuracies with your student or family data, please e-mail a detailed description of the inaccuracy to:

[schoolview@moundsviewschools.org](mailto:schoolview@moundsviewschools.org).

If you cannot find the letter containing your access code, send an e-mail to [schoolview@moundsviewschools.org](mailto:schoolview@moundsviewschools.org). You will get this information via e-mail within a couple of days.

### WHICH LEADS INTO...

Our Fall Welcome Back is being changed this year. We will hold a special *welcome* for incoming kindergarten students on Wednesday, September 2 and a *welcome back* event for students who will be in grades one through five on Thursday, September 3. More specific information will be given to families later. Both events will be held in late afternoon.

VHES is planning to use SchoolView as another way for families to learn who their child's 2009-2010 home room teacher is and to have this available to parents beginning the morning of Wednesday, September 2 (sorry, not before) through School View. Yes, class lists

will still be posted here at school as in past years — this is just an added way for parents to obtain their child's home room teacher information prior to coming up for the kindergarten welcome event or the grades one — five welcome back event. Therefore, you might want to be sure you have your SchoolView code access working correctly.

Note: VHES staff has NO information as to what might be available to parents on SchoolView regarding class placement at either the middle or high school level as much of the information at those levels is entered differently and worked with differently.

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**VHES will be hosting many summer school classes this year.** Summer school will run from 8:10 a.m.- 12:10 p.m., Mon Jun 22 - Fri Jul 24. We will house ETS, ESL, and Special Education classes. Please be aware that our playground may not be used by the public during these hours and days.

We will also provide space all summer for these Y programs: Summer Power, Summer School Care and Y Day Camp Extended. Children attending these programs may be on-site any where from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., depending on the Y's schedule of activities. There are no exclusions for public use of our playgrounds during the Y's program hours.

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**Want the Valentine View "delivered" to your desk each week?**

Want to keep up-to-date with school information by receiving other occasional e-mails from the VHES office? Want occasional e-mails from the Superintendent's office? Visit [www.moundviewschools.org](http://www.moundviewschools.org) and click on E-News and choose the electronic mail you would like to receive. The Valentine View is also available on the VHES web site.



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**Beginning May 15, students must have enough money in their food accounts to cover their lunch each day.** After May 18, students will not be allowed to have a negative balance. If there is not enough money in your child's account, they will receive a cheese sandwich and milk. We will be taking deposits through the end of the school year. If you have any questions, please call 651-621-7809.

## 2009 - 2010 VHES STAFFING

Kindergarten:	Miss Busiahn (AM & PM), Mrs. Persuitti (K+), Mrs. Reker (AM)
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade:	Miss Kratz, Miss Krohn, Mrs. Seifert, Miss Spielmann
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade:	Ms. Guthrie, Mrs. Hays, Mrs. Hadders, Ms. Wolf
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade:	Miss Specht, Mrs. Grindheim/Mrs. Schramm, Mrs. Michalski, Mrs. Mortenson/Mrs. Winchell
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade:	Mr. Bush, Mrs. Keillor, Miss Peterman, Miss Samelian
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade:	Mr. Bambenek, Miss Boumgarden, Mr. Salvevold, Mrs. Willson
Specialists:	HP Math - Mrs. Bateman; P.E. - Mrs. Brandt; LMC - Mrs. Klauer; Vocal Music - Mrs. Krejcarek; K Specialist - Miss Resler; Science - Mrs. Rieke; Art - Mr. Trampf
Extension Center:	Mrs. Klauer (2 <sup>nd</sup> grade); Mrs. Majcin (ESL); Mrs. Parupsky (1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> grades); Mr. Western (Read 180). Three LRTs are also planned to serve in the Extension Center
Title 1 / RtI:	Mrs. Frischmon (3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> grades); Mr. Western (5 <sup>th</sup> grade); TBD (1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> grades)
Special Education:	Mrs. Johnson, Ms. Rolfs, Mrs. Anderson, and Mrs. Lee (GUiDE)

Our principal, Nathan Flansburg, and all VHES support staff will return for the 2009 - 2010 school year.

# **BAND NEWS IS GOOD NEWS!**

## **SUMMER BAND DATES: JUNE 22 TO JULY 23**

### **Classes offered for 4th or 5th grade beginners and current 5th grade band members**

When you begin to make your summer vacation plans, please keep in mind the summer band program offered for students going into 5th or 6th grade. For students who are currently playing in 5th grade band, **SUMMER BAND** is a full band rehearsal from 11:00-12:00 or 4:00-5:00 twice per week with an outdoor concert for parents the evening of the last day. The school band teacher will be sending home registration forms with band members in early May. They should be completed and returned to school. On-line registration will also be available.

**ATTENTION - 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENTS** — Starting the summer after 4th or 5th grade your child can begin participating in an activity that continues through 12th grade and into adult life - **THE SCHOOL BAND**.

The summer beginning band instruction program consists of a 45-minute group lesson, Monday through Thursday, for five weeks starting Monday, June 22 through Thursday, July 23. The summer session concludes with an outdoor concert for parents the evening of the last day. Instruction will be offered at several district schools during the summer for all basic band instruments: Trombone, Baritone, Clarinet, Trumpet, French Horn, Flute, Saxophone and Percussion. Morning, afternoon and evening times are available for each instrument. If at all possible, **STUDENTS WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN BAND IN 5TH GRADE SHOULD START BEGINNING INSTRUCTION THE SUMMER BEFORE**. When you begin to make your summer plans, please keep in mind the importance of starting band instruction during our summer program.

The school band teacher will be sending information home with your child in April. **Specific information about summer band class times and locations will not be available until then.**

**Registration for beginning instruction will take place at four evening Band Displays** at which reputable music instrument dealers will also be present to provide instrument rentals for you. You should attend only one of the Band Displays anytime **between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.** Band Display dates are:

**Monday, April 27 at Highview Middle School**  
**Tuesday, April 28 at Edgewood Middle School**  
**Tuesday, May 5 at Turtle Lake Elementary School**  
**Thursday, May 7 at Island Lake Elementary School**

Please choose a date convenient for you and mark your calendar for summer band registration!

### **A WORD OF CAUTION:**

There has been a recent outbreak in instrument sales from non-music vendors (department store catalogs, discount membership warehouses, on-line purchases and private party sales). These instruments are often inexpensive and poorly constructed. These instruments generally require frequent repairs that cannot be corrected and we encourage you to stay clear of these options.

Reputable music dealers are the best resource for renting or purchasing a band instrument. Please see your school band director if you have questions about purchasing an instrument.





# HEY, DADS. CHECK THIS OUT!

**TOOLS FOR DADS** IS LOOKING FOR DADS WHO HAVE A CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF ONE OR WHO ARE EXPECTING A NEW BABY

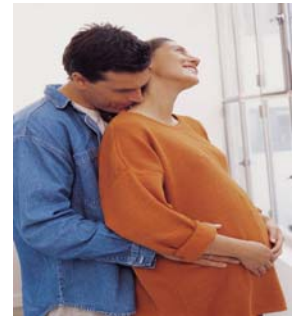
Come hang out with other dads and have some fun while learning more about what it means to be a great dad and more about baby basics.

*\$25.00 gift cards and other prizes provided. Moms – send THE KIDS WITH THEIR DADS so you can get a night off.*

**WHEN:** Thursday, May 7th, 6-8:30pm

**WHERE:** Ruth Benner Head Start Center, 586 Fuller Ave  
St. Paul, MN 55103

**LEADERS:** Rich Boyce, Head Start Family Services  
Daud Abdi, Head Start Enrollment  
Charlie Mandile, Head Start Health



*FREE FOOD, INTERPRETERS, TRANSPORTATION AND CHILDCARE AVAILABLE*

**SPACE IS LIMITED. PLEASE CALL BY NOON ON TUESDAY, MAY 5th**

To sign up or if you have questions, please call Cathy Carter at 651-603-5849

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**Habr  interprete. Para inscribirse, por favor comunice con Charlie Mandile a 651-603-5827 (espanol).**

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