

# Schoolcraft Learning Community

February 17, 2017



## NEWS



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### FEBRUARY

- 20 NO SCHOOL ~ President's Day  
21 5 PM Enrollment Lottery for the 2017-18 school year ~ Paris  
5:30 PM School Board Meeting in Paris  
24 1:45 PM K-5 present "JOUST"



### MARCH

- 3 WINTERFEST ~ See details inside...Looking for Adult Volunteers!  
6 SLC Board Nominations DUE!  
8-10 Spring SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR-Volunteers Needed  
9 & 10 Spring Conferences ~ NO CLASSES FOR STUDENTS  
14 6:30 PM PAC at Lazy Jack's  
15 12:40 PM Early Release Day ~ Student Go Home Early  
21 5:30 PM Board Meeting in Paris

### APRIL

- 30 4 -7 PM The Third Annual Open Mic, Silent Auction & Spasagna Dinner

- Drive slowly on our roads, they are slippery with the snowy & icy weather.
- Dress your children for the cold weather.
- Make sure your child has tennis shoes for PE.

THANK YOU!

### ATTENDANCE, TARDY, BUS INFORMATION

Please remember to call (586-3284) or email us ([attendance@schoolcraft.org](mailto:attendance@schoolcraft.org)) to inform us if your child is home ill or will be tardy (BY 9:15 AM) or if there is a change in their after school busing/pick-up (BY NOON).

## LUNCH INFORMATION

**LUNCH BILLS:** If you have a lunch balance, please take care of it. We prefer payment ahead on your family's account. You may mail your payment to PO Box 1685, Bemidji, MN 56619 or send it to school with your child. You may also make online payments thru RevTrak ([www.RevTrak.com](http://www.RevTrak.com)). We appreciate your help with this!

If you would like to come for lunch with your child, or have a grandparent or other adult, that would like to do so, please call the front desk by 9:15 AM. You may pay the front desk when you arrive. The cost for lunch is \$3.80.

## LOST & FOUND

We are already accumulating "Lost" items. Please be sure to label your child's clothing. Missing items are located on the coat rack in Paris. **Please take time to claim your child's belongings when you are out for conferences at Schoolcraft!**

## PE REMINDER

On your child's PE day, they need to come dressed for activity and the weather.(i.e. sneakers, rain boots, snow gear). They have to be ready to be inside or outside depending on the weather.

## ATTENTION SLC PARENTS~

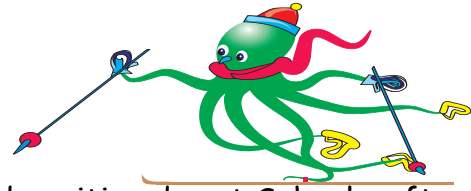
### Let Us Know If You Have Students at Home to be Enrolled!

We are preparing for the enrollment lottery for the 2017-18 school year. The lottery will be held 5:00 PM, Feb. 21. Please let Alison ([alison@schoolcraft.org](mailto:alison@schoolcraft.org)) know if your currently enrolled student has any siblings wanting to attend Schoolcraft.

## PARENTS~JMC UPDATE REMINDER

Please make sure you have gone into Schoolcraft's JMC program and checked and updated your information. **This is very important because you select your choice of how you want to be notified in a weather, emergency, etc. situation.** Only half of our families have done this. Information was given to you in your fall paperwork. Call if you need help with the process.

## WINTERFEST IS COMING!



Friday, March 3 will be WINTERFEST! This is a fun and exciting day at Schoolcraft each year! This is an outside day for exploring a variety of outdoor activities such as: dog sled rides, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, horse drawn sleigh rides, ice fishing, and a bon fire with s'mores while listening to legends! Do not forget Donna's hot chocolate and game time in Paris.

The crews rotate on a schedule, through each activity. Students need to be prepared to be outside all day; they should have snow pants, boots, scarves, mittens, hat and warm coat (if it is wet outside, extras of these to change into are necessary.)

We need volunteers to help with most activities, we especially need help with putting on skis and boots, to make the day a success. Please consider coming for all or part of the day. Please call the front desk: 586-3284 OR email us at: [attendance@schoolcraft.org](mailto:attendance@schoolcraft.org) to let us know you will be with us, if you have a preference where you would be willing to help and so we can have enough lunch for every one. These are the areas we could use help with: cross country skis, snowshoes, ice fishing, sleigh ride, classroom aides, hot cocoa/break area. Thanks in advance and we look forward to spending a great day together!

## MARCH EARLY RELEASE DAY

Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> will be an Early Release Day from school for students. The buses will run 2 hours earlier than usual. Students will be dismissed from SLC at 12:40 PM, the Town Hall bus should be at the Turtle River Town Hall around 12:50 PM and all the buses should be at the Bemidji Middle School around 1:15 PM. Teachers will be holding workshops on campus. Thank you for your attention to this.

## NEW ARTWORK ON DISPLAY IN PARIS-CHECK IT OUT AT CONFERENCES!

Come and enjoy the artwork of our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and our 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade crews! These are expedition pieces! They will be on display in Paris, through conferences.

## CLEANING OUT CLOSETS?

We are in could use extra used clothing for students needing to change due to all sorts of accidents. Sweat pants, t-shirts, sweatshirts all work great. All sizes welcomed. Thank you!



## **SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATION INFORMATION**

Dear Schoolcraft Community,

The SLC Board of Directors is seeking nominations for two teacher seats, one parent seat, and one community member seat on the board. The positions require a commitment of two years, beginning in May of 2017, and may also require travel for required Minnesota Association of Charter Schools (MACS) board training. The SLC Board meets monthly on the third Tuesday at Schoolcraft.

If you have any questions about board elections or [board member responsibilities](#), please contact SLC Board Chair Mark Morrissey at [mark@schoolcraft.org](mailto:mark@schoolcraft.org), or visit the webpage at <http://schoolcraft.org/html/about/board.html>.

The board nomination form is available on the SLC website or by contacting the board election committee at [kathyd@schoolcraft.org](mailto:kathyd@schoolcraft.org).

**Board Nominations are due by Monday, March 6, 2017.**

## PAC Minutes February 2017

### PAC Meeting Place and Time: Monday, February 13, 6:30-8:00 at Lazy Jacks

**In Attendance:** Stacy Bender-Fayette, Chrissy Boe, Tonya Prim, Monica Hansmeyer, Sharleen Zeman-Sperle, Jodi Sandmeyer, Bethany Wesley, Gen Hayle  
Current Balance: \$5091.96

#### Past Events:

**Bunkhouse Soft-Opening** was held on Sunday, December 18 from 10:00-6:00. Derek Kringen, Schoolcraft parent and Bunkhouse Restaurant owner invited 200 members of the Schoolcraft community to attend the soft-opening of his new restaurant for FREE! Over \$1750 was donated to Schoolcraft's PAC. Thank you Derek!

**Teacher and Staff Appreciation Coffee Bar** was hosted by PAC on the morning of December 22 at Schoolcraft.

**Schoolcraft Community Meeting** with Mia from EL was hosted by PAC on Tuesday, January 24. Mia and Adrienne discussed Schoolcraft and EL Education. There were 15 people in attendance; most were families who have children on the waiting list.

Teachers had the opportunity to apply for money to help fund special projects in their classroom. Those applications have been approved and are as follows:

Teacher	Request	\$ Amount (Est.)
Sara G.	Class Books	\$500
AnnaMae	Birdseed	\$75
Frances	Chairs	\$37
Kim	Cooking items	\$100
Nick	Books	\$200
Stephanie	Markers, rug, circuit pens	\$950
<b>Est. Total</b>		<b>\$2195</b>

Gen Hayle Special Ed. teacher at SLC, attended the meeting for a **SEAC** (Special Education Advisory Council) question and answer session.

#### Upcoming Events:

**The Scholastic Book Fair** will be held during Parent/Teacher Conferences on March 9-10. Students will have the opportunity to browse the book selection during class walk-throughs on Wednesday, March 8. We will need lots of volunteers to help make the book fair a success. Look for volunteer information coming soon!

**Mark your calendars!** The Third Annual **Open Mic, Silent Auction and Spasagna Dinner** will be held on Sunday, April 30 from 4-7.

The next **PAC meeting** is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 14, 6:30-8:00 at Lazy Jack's**. We will be planning for Open Mic.



# *Title 1* Tidbits

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## Conferences are Coming!



### Successful Parent-Teacher Conferences

- ★ Parent-teacher conferences are the best way to communicate with your children's teachers. Come prepared with any notices and wonders that you have had throughout the school year.
- ★ Be ready to share any information with your child's teacher that you think affect their lives. Teachers will share what is going on at school, and together you can pool your information to decide how best to help our students learn and develop.
- ★ Let your teacher know in advance if there are any topics you want to discuss or concerns you want to address. This allows the teacher to prepare any information that they will need to address your specific requests.
- ★ Take notes. You may touch upon many different topics and strategies to help your student's learning during the conference. Taking notes can help you remember what you spoke about and agreed to.

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## PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

BE HEARD!

**B**EST INTENTIONS ASSUMED

**E**MPHASIS ON LEARNING

**H**OME-SCHOOL COLLABORATION

**E**XAMPLES AND EVIDENCE

**A**CTIVE LISTENING

**R**ESPECT FOR ALL

**D**EDICATION TO FOLLOW-UP

Harvard Family Research Project



<http://familiesonthehomefront.com/top-8-tips-for-parent-teacher-conferences/>

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**Schoolcraft lunch menu for March 2016**

2/27	2/28	3/1	3/2	3/3
Egg Salad Roasted Garbanzos Carrots Orange WG Bun Milk & Water Pudding	Salsibury Steak Baked Potato Green Beans Apple WG Bread Milk & Water	Dominican Chicken Squash Coleslaw Tropical Fruit WG Bread Milk & Water	Tator Tot Hotdish Tomatoes Banana WG Baguette WG Baguette Milk & Water	White Chili Corn Chips Green Salad Grapes Milk & Water
3/6	3/7	3/8	3/9	3/10
Beef & Macaroni Casserole Broccoli Red Peppers Apple Milk & Water	Cheese & Bean Burrito Cauliflower Corn Pineapple WG Bread Milk & Water	Mabodofu Brown Rice Green Beans Green Salad Orange Milk & Water	Conferences	Conferences
3/13	3/14	3/15	3/16	3/17
Ham & Potato Hash Green Beans WG Bread Strawberries Milk & Water	Pulgogi Brown Rice Broccoli Tomatoes Grapes Milk & Water	Moscow Swai Peas Black Eyed Peas WG Baguette Orange Milk & Water	BBQ Pork Carrots Cabbage Kiwi WG Bun Milk & Water	Chicken Parisian Roasted Potatoes Green Salad WG Bread Banana Milk & Water WG Cupcake
3/20	3/21	3/22	3/23	3/24
Lasagna Cauliflower Roasted Garbanzos Apple WG Bread Milk & Water	Pork Chop Baked Potatoes Green Salad Mixed Berries WG Bread Milk & Water WG Cookie	Stuffed Green Pepper Cheese Stick Roasted Parsnips WG Baguette Pineapple Milk & Water	Chicken with Cheese Sauce WG Penne Asparagus Carrots Orange Milk & Water	Scrambled Eggs WG Muffin Hashbrown Patty Pumpkin Grapes Milk & Water

Menu subject to minor changes without notification.