

St. Anthony New Brighton

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 282

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Dear Community Members,

We are proud to announce that St. Anthony Village High School was recognized by US News and World Report as one of the Best High Schools in the nation on the 2016 report. Ranked 3rd in Minnesota and 227th in the nation, this is the fourth time St. Anthony Village High School has been recognized by US News and World Report since 2012.

St. Anthony Village High School was one of seven high schools in Minnesota to be recognized as a gold medal school. Gold medal schools were identified based on how well they prepare students for college. Students at St. Anthony Village High School can enroll in thirteen different Advanced Placement (AP) classes and can demonstrate their proficiency in the college-level class through an AP exam. If students score a 3, 4, or 5 on their final AP exam, they can earn college credit. At St. Anthony Village High School in 2016, 317 students in grades 10, 11, and 12—or 62% of the students in those grades—completed 560 AP exams.



Examining Demographics and Enrollment Trends

Families are moving into our community and choosing our schools for their children and our increasing resident enrollment at Wilshire Park and St. Anthony Middle School reflects this trend. Every year since 2012, Wilshire Park Elementary School has enrolled, on average, 51 additional resident students while St. Anthony Middle School gained, on average, 23 additional resident students. In June 2016, 91% of students attending Wilshire Park Elementary School are district residents and the chart below details our increasing resident student enrollment.

	Wilshire Park School Enrollment	Percentage of Resident Students
2012-2013	630	76%
2013-2014	689	79%
2014-2015	700	85%
2015-2016	699	91%

We hired Hazel Reinhardt to conduct a ten-year housing and demographic study of our school district. The goal of the report is to analyze the projections of our resident student enrollment, understand its impact, and create a long-term plan for our facilities. Reinhardt will present the final report to the School Board in August.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Anthony-New Brighton School District.

Sincerely,
Robert Laney, Superintendent

St. Anthony Village High School Awarded \$50,000 Athletic Trainer Initiative Grant

St. Anthony Village High School was awarded a \$50,000 Athletic Trainer Initiative grant from the NFL Foundation, the National Athletic Trainers' Association, Gatorade and the Professional Football Athletic Trainers Society. St. Anthony Village High School was **one of only 15 high schools in the United States** to receive the Athletic Trainer Initiative grant whose purpose is to expand access to athletic trainers in underserved high schools and improve safety of youth athletes. Athletic trainers play a vital role in the health and safety of student-athletes; however, almost two-thirds of high schools in the United States lack a full-time athletic trainer and nearly thirty-percent do not have access to any athletic training services.

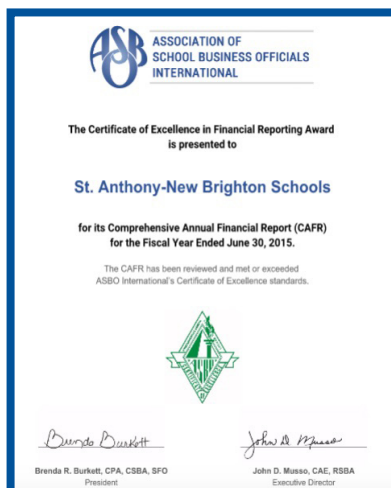


Congressional Art Competition

Congratulations to **Damiah Oliver**, a junior at St. Anthony Village High School, who competed in the 2016 Congressional Art Competition for Minnesota's 5th Congressional District. Damiah's submitted artwork "Human Nature" won the National Park Service recognition award.



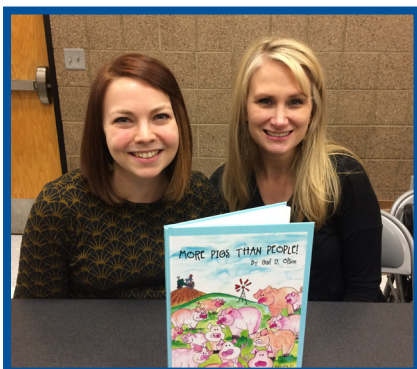
Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting



For the **fifth consecutive year**, St. Anthony-New Brighton School District received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting Award from the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) International for having met or exceeded the program's high standards for financial reporting and accountability. St. Anthony-New Brighton School District was recognized for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

Inspiring a Community of Lifelong Learners

Our mission is to educate, prepare, and inspire a community of lifelong learners in our small, caring environment. Our staff and community leaders share their expertise and talents to help our residents of all ages learn new skills and remain lifelong learners. We are grateful for our partners in the community and their efforts to help us achieve our mission.



More Pigs Than People, a children's book on the history of St. Anthony, was recently published by the St. Anthony Village Historical Society. Written by Gail Olson and illustrated by **Sarah Gunderson**, **Mary Henry** arranged the text and illustrations to create the book. Ms. Gunderson and Ms. Henry (pictured) are art teachers at St. Anthony Village High School.



St. Anthony Village High School students **Lily Vanner** and **Audrey Peterson** interviewed Fidel Eckes and Myrtle Nielsen Eckes, parents of St. Anthony resident Linda Reiner, to learn about the Great Depression. Vanner and Peterson recorded the interview and utilized the personal experiences of Eckes and Nielsen Eckes to complete an oral history project for their Advanced Placement U.S. History class.



Fire Marshal Chris Fuller and the St. Anthony Fire Department hosted a three-day CPR certification class for ninety 9th graders at St. Anthony Village High School.



St. Anthony Middle School physical education teacher **Amber Potts** introduced the game of pickleball to ten community members on May 18 in the gym at St. Anthony Village High School.

AAA Award Winners



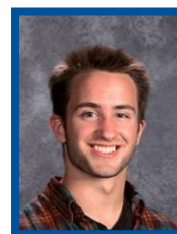
Mindy Froehle and **Joe Wappes**, seniors at St. Anthony Village High School, were selected as the 2015-2016 AAA (Academics, Athletics, Arts) Award winners. Mindy and Joe were recognized for their excellence in the classroom, on the athletic field, and in the fine arts.



EXCEL Award Winners



Tori Thomas and **Jake Smith**, juniors at St. Anthony Village High School, were selected as recipients of the 2015-2016 EXCEL Award. The EXCEL award honors juniors in high school who demonstrate Excellence in Community, Education, and Leadership.



Visual Arts Competition

Fifteen St. Anthony Village High School students competed in the Minnesota State High School League's Section 4A Fine Arts competition on April 16. Congratulations to **Amanda Dahl**, sophomore, who received a Spotlight on the Arts/Juror's Choice Award. Dahl's work was displayed at the Minnesota State Visual Arts Exhibition on May 21 at the Perpich Center for Arts Education.



Amanda Dahl

SUPERIOR GOLD MEDAL AWARDS:

Daniel Aggeler, Photography; **Amanda Dahl**, Costume/Sculpture; **Barbara Favorite**, Relief Print; **Chelsea Junker**, Digital Art; **Abbey Koenig-Meehan**, Ceramic Sculpture; **Damiah Oliver**, Photography; **Kailyn Schmidt**, Ceramic Sculpture; **Najmo Shire**, Ceramic sculpture; and **Raquel Yahrmatter**, Ceramic Sculpture

EXCELLENCE IN THE ARTS AWARDS:

John Benz, Photography; **Lessly Mejia**, Photography; **Audrey Stumpf**, Acrylic Painting; **Alora White**, Intaglio Print

ACHIEVEMENT IN THE ARTS AWARD:

Lara Peterson, Oil Painting

SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS/JUROR'S CHOICE AWARD:

Amanda Dahl, Costume/Sculpture

Top 10 Students in St. Anthony Village High School's Class of 2016



Noah Brown
Salutatorian
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Gary Brown
Judy Stifter
...
*U of M
Twin Cities*



Tommy DeMars
...
Jon and Jenny
DeMars
...
*U of M
Duluth*



Elena Forsline
...
Mark and Ruth
Forsline
...
*University of
Wisconsin
Madison*



Melinda Froehle
...
John and Wendy Froehle
...
*Minnesota State
University, Mankato*



Sara Henry
Valedictorian
...
Doug and Julie
Henry
...
*U of M
Twin Cities*



Cara Nix
...
Jay and Marcia Nix
...
*U of M
Twin Cities*



Christina O'Malley
...
Tom and Mary
O'Malley
...
St. Olaf College



Emily Onken
...
David and Amy
Onken
...
*University of
Wisconsin
Eau Claire*



Quang-Chau Truong
...
Hong Nguyen
Tai Truong
...
*U of M
Twin Cities*



Madelyn Wald
...
Mark & Shari Wald
...
*University of
Wisconsin
Madison*

Athena Award Winner



Samantha Skwarek, a senior at St. Anthony Village High School, was selected as the 2016 Athena Award winner. The Athena award recognizes outstanding female athletes and honors their achievements.



Quinn Bellestri, senior, and **Nick Kroening**, junior, qualified for and competed in the State doubles tennis tournament June 7-10, 2016.

Minnesota Teacher of the Year Nominee



John Mitsch, a 6th grade math teacher at St. Anthony Middle School, was nominated for the 2016 Minnesota Teacher of the Year. “John has been a committed educator at St. Anthony Middle School for all students. In addition to his amazing teaching abilities, he is a great colleague,” shared Dr. Renee Corneille, Principal.

As stated on Education Minnesota’s website, “The Minnesota Teacher of the Year program, now in its 52nd year, is the oldest and most prestigious recognition program in Minnesota to honor excellence in education. The program chooses one teacher to represent Minnesota’s thousands of excellent educators.”

Veterans Day Presentation



St. Anthony Middle School and St. Anthony Community Services are hosting a Veteran’s Day presentation on Friday, November 11, 2016 in the Middle School/High School Auditorium, 3303 33rd Avenue NE to honor and recognize our community members who have served or currently serve in the military. We invite community members, especially veterans and service members, to join us for this event.

Students who attend St. Anthony Middle School can submit a photo of a family member, neighbor, or friend who has served or currently serves in the military. Please email bbrever@stanthony.k12.mn.us and include a photo and name of the veteran or service member, branch

of the military in which they serve(d), rank, and other details regarding their service to our country, a photo and name of the student, and how the veteran or service member is related to the student (family member, neighbor, family friend). The photos will be included in the presentation during the event on November 11. Please contact Bonnie Brever at 612-706-1175 with questions.

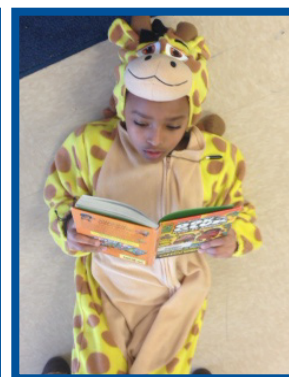
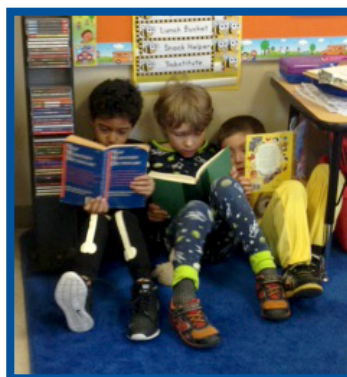
Youth Day at the Capitol

Twelve students from St. Anthony Middle School along with social studies teachers Kirsten Donohue and Julie North participated in Youth Day at the Capitol on March 29. Sponsored by the Minnesota Alliance with Youth, Youth Day at the Capitol provided training and engagement opportunities for youth to participate in the legislative process.



Drop Everything and Read Day

Wilshire Park Elementary School hosted a Drop Everything and Read Day (DEAR) on February 26 to celebrate I Love to Read month. Coinciding with a school-wide pajama day, over 700 students found a good book, a comfortable place in their classrooms to relax, and quietly read at the same time throughout the school building.



Walk-a-Thon at Wilshire Park



Wilshire Park Parents Association hosted a one mile Walk-a-Thon after school on May 20 and raised over \$5000 for playground improvements. Students pledged \$5 to submit a vote for a staff member to have a pie thrown in their face. Three willing staff members, Jeff Peterson, Cameron Winter, and Principal Kari Page (pictured above) won the honor.

Donation to Wilshire Park's STEM Program



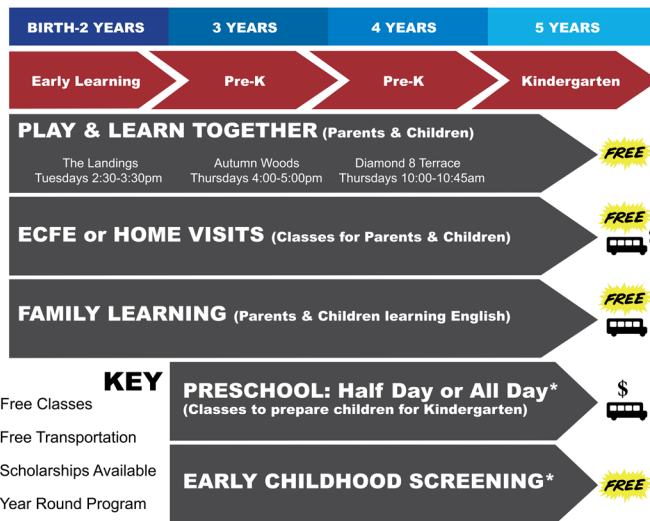
Polaris Company donated \$5000 to support the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Program at Wilshire Park Elementary School. Lisa Cartwright, STEM Specialist (pictured at left), and Kari Page, Principal, visited the Polaris Company on May 12 to meet with the contribution committee, thank them for their generous donation, and share a video with examples of student work using the newly purchased iPads (to view the video, visit www.stanthony.k12.mn.us).

In addition, the engineers at Polaris shared the type of learning experiences Polaris is looking for when they hire college graduates. A special thanks to Dawn Busch (pictured), Polaris employee and parent of Alex and Ava.

Early Childhood Programs at St. Anthony Community Services

St. Anthony-New Brighton School District has a tradition of providing high quality early childhood programs at St. Anthony Community Services including Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE), half day preschool, and all day preschool classes at St. Anthony Community Center. Our early childhood teachers collaborate with kindergarten teachers to ensure children are prepared academically and socially when they begin kindergarten at Wilshire Park Elementary School.

St. Anthony Community Services Preschool is one of only two Four Star rated programs in St. Anthony. "To earn a Four Star Rating, programs are excelling in the use of best practices in preparing kids for kindergarten," as stated on the Parent Aware website.



The preschool programs at St. Anthony Community Services were awarded a Four Star Rating by Parent Aware in 2013, a voluntary program coordinated by the Minnesota Department of Human Services and the Minnesota Office of Early Learning. To receive a Four Star Rating—the highest possible—St. Anthony Community Services demonstrated its quality early education programs and use of best practices to support school readiness.



The Family Learning class took a field trip to Minnehaha Falls Park on June 1, 2016.



Preschool Registration for 2016-2017 School Year

Children who will be 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2016, can attend preschool in the 2016-2017 school year. Scholarships and transportation are available to qualifying families who are residents of St. Anthony-New Brighton School District. Please call 612-706-1166 for information. Parents may register online at www.isd282.org/cs

Classes at Community Services for Adults

Defensive Driving 55 +: Eight Hour Course

Improve your driving skills, and if you're 55 or older, get a discount on your personal auto insurance. The Defensive Driving Course, developed by the National Safety Council, teaches basic crash prevention techniques. The class consists of lecture, films and discussions. There is no behind-the-wheel driving and there are no tests. **Wednesday & Thursday, August 24 & 25 • 5:30-9:30 p.m. • Community Center, Council Chambers • \$25**

Defensive Driving 55 +: Refresher Course

If you have taken a state approved eight-hour Defensive Driving Course (55+), you can renew your 10%, three-year car insurance discount by taking the state-approved, four-hour refresher course. There's no driving and no test. You will receive a certificate of completion to provide to your insurance company. Please include your driver's license number when registering. If you are 50-54 years old, check with your insurance company about a discount. Refresher course pre-requisite: successful completion of state approved eight-hour course.

Wednesday, August 3 • 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • Community Center, room CS9 • \$22

St. Anthony Village Quilters

We are a group of quilters and crafters who get together and work on our own projects. We would love to have you join us at the St. Anthony Community Center! For more information call Community Services at 612-706-1166.

Saturdays, July 23 & August 27 • 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. • Community Center, Multi Purpose Room • \$5

Beginning Fly Fishing

The first session will cover general information about fly fishing, including flies, equipment, and knots while the second session will be filled with hands on casting instruction. At the end of this class, you will walk away with basic knowledge of the sport, fly fish casting techniques and what equipment you need to start fly fishing.

Tuesdays, July 12-19 • 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. • Community Center, CS9 • \$45

Free Health Insurance Counseling

A State-certified Health Insurance Counseling volunteer is available at St. Anthony Community Services on the 3rd Monday of each month to meet with Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers, who reside within St. Anthony-New Brighton School District, to assist with: understanding basic Medicare and Medical Assistance, choosing a Medicare supplement, choosing a Medicare Part D plan, ensuring proper processing of Medicare and Medical Assistance claims, assisting with health insurance forms, and assessing long-term care insurance as an option.

Call 612-706-1166 to schedule your free, one-hour appointment.

June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19 • 1-hour appointments scheduled from 12:00-4:00 p.m. • Free

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Day Trip

Skyrock Farms

This is a trip for a country, horse and carousel lover at heart! Located in a beautiful countryside with rolling hills, come tour this premier horse hunter-jumper training facility. You will have an informative and historical look at the antique dance organs which are beautifully restored musical marvels that play the happiest music on earth. Learn about the restoration process of gold leafing, and how one hundred year old art is preserved. The intricate pipes are made and voiced to replicate the sounds of the piccolo, flute, violin, saxophone, and trombone. See a carousel horse collection and learn why the men who carved the ornate figures have a place in history. Continue the experience and conversation while a casual buffet luncheon is served. After lunch, we will view a horse jumping program with beautiful animals and talented riders demonstrating how Skyrock Riding Academy teaches horsemanship and develops the horse's natural athletic ability with riders of all ages. Register by June 27.



Monday, July 18 • Depart from the Community Center upper parking lot: 9:15 a.m. • Return: 2:00 pm • \$58

SANBE Celebrates 25 Years



This year marks 25 years of The St. Anthony New Brighton Education Foundation (SANBE)'s commitment to enhancing the quality of educational programs in Independent School District 282. The Foundation was created by a group of citizens who were concerned as the school district was struggling with finances and enrollment in the late 1980's. One concern was the lack of extra money for

creative activities and classroom/building needs. SANBE members focused on short term fundraising to get money back into the schools and classrooms as quickly as possible. The SANBE Foundation was incorporated as a 501c3 organization in 1991.

SANBE soon took on additional activities. St. Anthony Middle School PTA was running an Italian dinner as a middle school fundraiser. When the middle school could no longer run the dinner, SANBE stepped in to take it over. The Italian dinner continues today as a community event. It is widely attended by St. Anthony alumni and community members and has become a Fall tradition as part of the Huskie Homecoming weekend. SANBE also awards a scholarship to a graduating senior each spring.

Today, the SANBE Foundation continues giving to our schools by providing grants to teachers district wide for projects that are innovative and reach a large number of learners. During the 2015-16 school year, SANBE gave out \$20,000 in grants. The organization is led by volunteers and relies on community support to meet our mission. Learn more about SANBE and find out how you can get involved by visiting sanbefoundation.org.

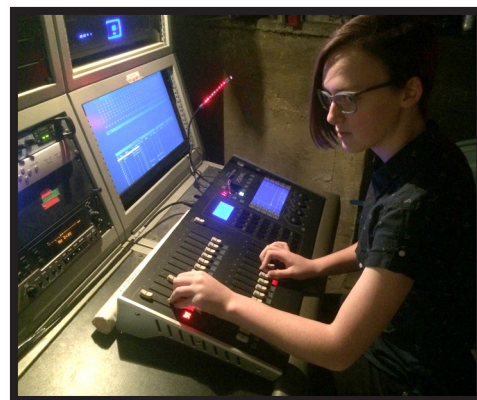
What is the SANBE Foundation Annual Fund? Our mission is to provide additional resources that enhance the quality of educational programs in Independent School District 282. Monies raised by SANBE are used to support our creative-learning grant program, which awards grants to teachers and staff members. These grants support innovative learning opportunities to district students. The board is made up of community volunteers and district staff. We are always looking for additional voices. Please contact us if you are interested in supporting our mission. Board responsibilities include assessment of grant applications, fundraising and community outreach.

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St. Anthony New Brighton Endowment Foundation



The St. Anthony New Brighton Endowment Foundation exists to support and enhance arts and activities programs where students develop strong minds and leadership skills for tomorrow. Every dollar you donate is invested and the income from those investments provides a permanent, long-range funding source to preserve excellence and enrich opportunities in the St. Anthony New Brighton Schools.



The Endowment Foundation provided the funds to purchase a new lighting control board for the district auditorium. Andy Erickson, Band director and Auditorium coordinator, explained, "The auditorium is used by many school groups, including music and theater, and community groups so the new light board really benefits the community at large. It enables students to more easily use the lighting system and learn modern lighting technology." Chae Norrish, a student trained to operate the new equipment, "Learning to use this newer board is great for me so I can continue in theater and know how to work the newer technology. The biggest thing for our school is we can start to expand the lighting options for use in the auditorium." The new lighting control board has the capability to expand to digital technology and run LED and movable fixtures. "We are very grateful for this new lighting board and are excited about what we will be able to do with lighting in the future," said Erickson. Please contact Leah Slye (612-384-4982 or leahslye@stanthony.k12.mn.us) for more information or to make a donation.

SANBE Grants Awarded in 2015-2016

School	Teacher(s)	Project
Community Services: ECCE	Fischer and Anderson	Apple orchard field trip for Family Learning and Apartment Outreach classes
Wilshire Park	Eagan and Wellness committee	Tower Garden <i>(pictured at right)</i>
Middle School/High School	Casey	Chromebooks and accessories for EL students
High School	Hugill	Support for RoboHuskies <i>(pictured at right)</i>
Wilshire Park	Cooper	iPads for 2nd grade
Wilshire Park	Isaacs	Mini iPads for Kindergarten
Wilshire Park	Downing	Stages Theater residency for 1st Grade
Wilshire Park	Hackbarth	Ukulele program for music instruction
Middle School	Potts/ Mussell	Fitness bar circuit pack for physical education classes
Wilshire Park	Ronken/ Rodrick	Chrome Books for special education classes
Wilshire Park	Frank/Tushar	Chrome Books for 5th grade



SANBE SCHOOL SUPPLIES FUNDRAISER

for students entering K-8 In the 2016-2017 school year

Support SANBE and check off an item on your to-do list! SANBE will provide you and your family with cost effective, high quality, name brand school supplies while raising funds for our organization.

NEW vendor this year – name brand products!
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www.1stdayschoolsupplies.com (zip code: 55418)
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