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## **Dear Community Members,**

We are proud to announce that St. Anthony Village High School was selected as a National Blue Ribbon School. One of only five schools in Minnesota to be recognized based on their overall academic excellence, St. Anthony Village High School was the only Minnesota high school honored by U.S. Secretary of Education John B. King Jr. as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School. The five schools in Minnesota that were recognized as National Blue Ribbon Schools are among the state's highest performing schools, as measured by state assessments and nationally standardized tests. The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle, and high schools where students achieve very high learning standards or are making notable improvements in closing the achievement gap. Across the nation, only 329 schools--279 public and 50 private schools--were recognized as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School.

We are grateful for a supportive community that values education. As you may have noticed in your neighborhood, families continue to move into our community and choose our schools for their children. Our resident student enrollment is increasing and we are honored to serve all children. Our mission is to educate, prepare, and inspire our community of lifelong learners in our small, caring environment. We are committed to the success of all learners. Our resident student population is becoming more diverse and we believe every child, regardless of race, ethnicity, or home language, deserves a high quality educational experience. Each school is hosting community conversations about our journey to achieve racial equity, eliminate achievement gaps, and, therefore, ensure the success of all learners.

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

Sincerely,
Robert Laney, Superintendent



Connection Crew welcomed ninth grade students to St. Anthony Village High School during 9th grade orientation on September 1, 2016. Junior and Senior Connection Crew members apply for and are selected to participate as leaders and mentors for our incoming students each year.

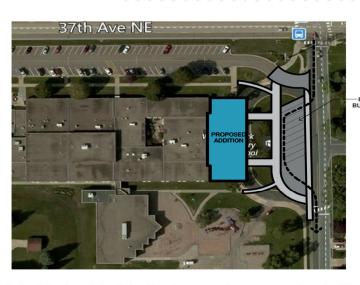
Photograph courtesy of Damiah Oliver.

## **Continued Growth in Resident Student Enrollment**

Resident student enrollment continues to increase in the St. Anthony-New Brighton School District and our School Board consulted with Dr. Hazel Reinhardt to determine the impact on our schools. The first demographer for the State of Minnesota, Dr. Reinhardt is a researcher and consultant for school districts and organizations.

Dr. Reinhardt conducted a housing and demographic study and projected our resident student enrollment through the 2025-2026 school year. Dr. Reinhardt presented the results of the enrollment study of resident student projections at the School Board meeting on August 16, 2016. Dr. Reinhardt indicated that 23% of the single-family detached homes in our district boundaries contain students who are enrolled in our schools and 52.8% of single-family detached homes have at least one occupant 55 years and older.

This school year, St. Anthony-New Brighton School District has 1853 students in grades Kindergarten through 12th grade. Of those 1853 students, 72%—or 1330—are resident students. Dr. Reinhardt projects our K-12 resident enrollment in the 2025-2026 school year will range from 1834 to 2167 students. Likewise, Wilshire Park Elementary School has 705 students in grades K-5 this year and 94%—or 661—are resident students. In the 2025-2026 school year, resident enrollment at Wilshire Park is projected to range from 819 to 925 students. Please visit www.isd282.org/resident-enrollment-projections to view the presentation to the School Board.



# School Board Approves Additional Classrooms at Wilshire Park

At its meeting on December 6, 2016, the School Board discussed and approved a resolution to add up to 9 new classrooms to Wilshire Park Elementary School.

The estimated cost of the additional classrooms is \$4.715 million and will be funded primarily through a Certificate of Participation which will be paid over 22 years.

A Certificate of Participation is non-voter approved and utilizes lease levy authority to fund construction of classrooms if the square footage is less than 20% of the existing building. The estimated tax impact for the Certificate of Participation on a median home value of \$255,000 is \$64.66 per year or \$5.39 per month. Additional funding will be provided by a combination of capital facilities bond, committed fund balance, and capital projects levy dollars.

The goal is to have the addition built and ready by September 2017 to provide classroom space and accommodate increasing resident student enrollment. In addition, the Board recognized our school district and community have other unmet needs including gymnasium space and plan to engage community members, city officials and others on options to address those needs.

More than 120 parents and community members attended one of five community meetings in November where Superintendent Laney shared factors which have impacted space, increasing and projected resident student enrollment at Wilshire Park Elementary School, and collected feedback on the proposal to build additional classrooms. Members of the School Board hosted a listening session for community members on December 6 prior to their meeting. Please visit www.isd282.org/community-meetings to view the presentation shared at community meetings.

## **Athletic Trainer 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 athletes; however, nearly two-thirds of high schools lack a full-time athletic trainer and almost thirty-percent do not have access to any athletic training services.



## National Blue Ribbon School



Congratulations to St. Anthony Village High School for their designation as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School. The only high school selected in Minnesota, Principal Wayne Terry and teacher Bill Blomstrom (pictured) accepted the award in November at a ceremony in Washington, D.C.

## **Engineering Class Featured in Star Tribune**





Beatrice Dupuy, a reporter from the Star Tribune, visited Andrew Kastenberg's Women in Engineering class at St. Anthony Village High School to interview students about their project. In its inaugural year, the women are designing and building furniture to welcome refugees to our community. Visit www.isd282.org/women-engineers to read the full article.

Photographs courtesy of Star Tribune.

## **Soccer Returns in 2017**

We are proud to announce that St. Anthony Village High School will host boys and girls soccer programs beginning in Fall of 2017. Open to students in grades 7-12, both programs will offer two levels of play (junior varsity and varsity) in the Tri-Metro Conference. Spring Lake Park (SLP) and St. Anthony Village High School have enjoyed successful cooperative boys and girls soccer programs since 1991. On November 1, 2016, the St. Anthony-New Brighton School Board voted to dissolve the cooperative agreement for boys and girls soccer. Beginning in the fall of 2017, both schools will offer independent soccer programs for the first time in over a quarter of a century.



## Middle School Spanish Students Visit Spain

St. Anthony Middle School's Spanish teachers Karolyn Busacker and Heidi Haagenson proposed an authentic learning opportunity to the School Board in the Fall of 2015. Busacker and Haagenson proposed a 10-day trip to Spain for seventh and eighth grade students. In October 2016, Mrs. Busacker and Mrs. Haagenson accompanied 10 seventh grade and 8 eighth grade students to Spain to be immersed in culture and utilize their Spanish skills. Students attended an immersion Spanish-language class for 3 hours each morning and toured the city the remainder of the day. Some of the highlights included visiting schools in Spain, visiting The Sagrada Familia and Parc Guell, learning how to dance flamenco and make mosaics, and strolling through Las Ramblas.



## St. Anthony Middle School **Recognizes Veterans**

St. Anthony Middle School hosted a Veteran's Day Presentation on November 11, 2016. With an introduction from Veteran and Mayor Jerry Faust, the event recognized family members of students who have or are currently serving in our armed forces. St. Anthony Middle School parents contributed photos of family members for a presentation which acknowledged each veteran and how they were related to the student. Visit www.isd282.org/samsveterans to view the presentation.

## **Showing Gratitude to Students**

In November, staff at St. Anthony Middle School (SAMS) took on the challenge to be overt in their gratitude toward students. The vision of SAMS is to create a school dedicated to authentic learning in a caring environment. Author Dr. Nel Noddings emphasizes, "children will work harder and do things--even odd things like adding fractions for people they love and trust". The staff at SAMS created a video to show students how they care about them, how they are thankful for them, and how they enjoy them. "To the parents of SAMS," Principal Dr. Corneille shared, "thank you for giving us your children every school day, to our larger community, I promise, we are making future citizens ready to take on this world. You should be proud and excited." Visit www.isd282.org/SAMSthankful to view the video.



## Wilshire Park's Box Tops for Education™ Drive

The Box Tops for Education program makes a real difference in schools. It's an easy way for community members to help Wilshire Park Elementary using the products you are already purchasing. When schools collect clipped box tops, they go to help raise money for things like books, teacher start-up funds, and general supplies. When community members and Wilshire Park Elementary families work together to collect Box Tops, the money adds up fast! Over \$715 million has been earned for schools across the United States since 1996 when the Box Tops for Education program was started by General Mills. Over the years, Wilshire Park has raised over \$26,000. **The** 



www.BTFE.com

goal for the 2016-17 school year is \$5,000, a goal we can only reach with your help. Since the start of the school year, Wilshire has raised over \$985.

**How can I help?** It's simple. Buy the products; clip the Box Tops; drop off the Box Tops at Cub Foods, Fitness Crossroads or, if you have a child or children at Wilshire Park, send the Box Tops to school with them. Each Box Tops clip is worth ten cents.

## Reward School 2016

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## Education

Congratulations to Wilshire Park
Elementary School for its designation as
a 2016 Reward School for the second
consecutive year! Wilshire Park was
one of 103 schools across the state to
be recognized for demonstrating
exemplary academic achievements in
proficiency on the Minnesota
Comprehensive Assessment, student
growth, and achievement gap reduction.
This is the third year Wilshire Park has
been recognized as a Reward School.

## **Wilshire Park Honors Veterans**







Wilshire Park Elementary School hosted a Veteran's Day Assembly on November 11, 2016. Fifth grade students Philip Kram, Jacob von Ende, and Leila Pilipovic read tributes to Wilshire Park staff members Bill Carlson, Jeff Lundgren, and Cameron Winter, who are veterans and pictured above. Families at Wilshire Park also contributed photos of family members who have, or are serving in our armed forces. Those photos were arranged in a presentation to acknowledge each veteran and how they were related to the student. Visit www.isd282.org/wpveterans to view the presentation.

## Kindergarten Registration for 2017-18 School Year

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2017, and live in the St. Anthony-New Brighton School District? Please call the Wilshire Park School office at 612.706.1200 or e-mail cridge@stanthony.k12.mn.us to be added to our kindergarten mailing list for the 2017-18 school year. Please contact us even if you think we already know about your child!

Kindergarten Registration Dates Thursday, April 20 at 4:00 p.m. Monday, April 24 at 4:00 p.m. (parents and future kindergartners welcome)

You will be given the opportunity to choose the date that works best for your family.

## Early Childhood Programs at St. Anthony Community Services





The preschool programs at St. Anthony Community Services were awarded a Four Star Rating by Parent Aware in 2013. 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.

## ECFE and Preschool Open House

Saturday, January 7 9:30-11:00 a.m.

#### St. Anthony Community Center

Come and learn more about the Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) classes and preschool options available at St. Anthony Community Services. Teachers in the ECFE, half day and all day preschool classrooms will be available to welcome you and your child, answer questions, and assist with registration.

## Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) Classes

#### St. Anthony Community Center

Come and discover ECFE--classes for parents and their children birth to five years of age.

Winter session classes begin Monday, January 9; Spring session classes begin Monday, April 3. Registration is underway for Winter and Spring classes at www.isd282.org/cs or call 612-706-1166. Families can join mid-session; scholarships are available.



St. Anthony-New Brighton School District provides 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.

## Preschool Registration for 2017-2018 School Year

Families who are residents of St. Anthony-New Brighton School District can begin registering on Tuesday, January 3, 2017. Register online at www.isd282.org/cs Scholarships and transportation are available for qualifying families.

### Family Open Gym

Parents and kids under age six are invited to run off that extra energy! Come to the Community Center gym and enjoy riding toys, climbing on structures and through tunnels, playing with balls, bean bags and more! Dress in comfortable clothing and tennis shoes. This activity is non-separating; parents must stay with their children.

St. Anthony Community Center Gym Saturdays, January 7-April 1 • 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Admission at the door:

\$3 per parent and one child.

\$2 each additional child

## St. Anthony Family Services Collaborative

The vision of the Saint Anthony Family Services Collaborative is to develop healthy, well-adjusted youth, supported by informed and caring families, in a welcomed and concerned community.

St. Anthony New Brighton Family Services Collaborative recognizes that, in order to achieve our vision, we need to take proactive steps to become a place where every resident has access to a high standard of living, where all families and children feel welcome and are accepted for who they are, and where we appreciate differences in cultural, racial, and national identities as a rich foundation for growth that serves us all. As humans, we thrive when we experience connection and belonging.



St. Anthony New Brighton Family Services Collaborative has partnered with Racial Equity Minnesota – a network of organizations that include AMAZE, Race Awareness Workshops, Rochester Diversity Council, Pillsbury House Breaking Ice, and ASDIC Metamorphosis – to build a long-term community engagement process that holds itself accountable to measurable outcomes around racial equity and racial justice.

Through this community engagement process, St. Anthony New Brighton Family Services Collaborative is committed to building a grassroots process that respects all voices, is inclusive of all community members, and focused on community decision making. To learn more about this impactful community-wide work, contact Wendy Webster at 612-706-1170 or visit www.isd282.org/family-services-collaborative

### Thai Cooking with Certified Chef Pheng Vang

This class will introduce you to the unique ingredients to making some of the most popular and authentic versions of Thai cuisines. You'll learn simple techniques to help you prepare and cook these popular dishes. You'll make a full course meal with: Spring Roll for appetizer, Pad Thai as the entree, and finally a Thai Tapioca Dessert. Best of all you get to enjoy the meal after preparation is complete!

St. Anthony High School, FACS Room #209, \$12 Thursday, January 12, 6:00-8:30 p.m. • Limited to 8 people

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR: Pheng Vang works at St. Anthony Middle School and St. Anthony Community Services. Pheng was born in a refugee camp in Thailand and lived there until he was 6. Pheng's family came to the US in 1995 and lived in Milwaukee for about 6 months before moving to Superior, WI, which has been Pheng's home for the past 15 years. His love and joy for cooking comes from his mother.

## St. Anthony Middle School Student Diversity Group with Amy Kujawski

Please join the St. Anthony Middle School Student Diversity Group and their teacher-advisors for a three-part series about dismantling racism in our community. The first conversation will focus on the definition and the impact of

racism. The second conversation will focus on ways in which we can learn to be anti-racists and upstanders, and the last one will be focused on how participants can lead anti-racist lives out in the community and beyond. To register, visit www.isd282.org/cs to participate.

**Definition & Impact of Racism Wednesday, February 1** 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**Learn to be Anti-racists & Upstanders Wednesday, April 5**6:30-8:00 p.m.

How to Lead an Anti-racist Life in the Community & Beyond Wednesday, May 3 6:30-8:00 p.m.



St. Anthony Middle School's Student Diversity Group prepares for the We Are SAMS Celebration on October 24, 2016.

## **Classes at Community Services for Adults**

#### **Gentle Yoga**

Gentle Yoga strengthens the body while calming and focusing the mind. Learn how to take this slower, gentler version of Yoga into your daily life to strengthen and tone your body, improve circulation, lower blood pressure, and help relieve stress. All fitness levels are welcome.

Fridays, 10:30-11:15 a.m., Community Center, Multi-Purpose Room

January 6-February 10, \$26.50 • February 17-March 24, \$33 • March 31-May 12 (no class April 14), \$33

#### Over 60 and Fit

Enjoy fitness while having fun. Classes are low impact and designed for people over 60 years old. The program combines aerobic routines and stretching exercises for one hour. Wear comfortable clothing and tennis shoes. Please bring an exercise mat if you have one.

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 9:15 a.m.-10:15 a.m., Community Center, Multi Purpose Room January 4-May 26 (No class January 16, February 20, April 14)

Purchase a 10 class punch pass for \$20

#### **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 teaches basic crash prevention techniques and has a proven record of reducing traffic violations and incidents. The class consists of lecture, films and discussions. There is no behind-the-wheel driving or tests. Wed., February 22 & Thurs., February 23, 5:30-9:30 p.m., Community Center Council Chambers, \$26

### **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 or test. You will receive a certificate of completion to provide to your insurance company.

Community Center Council Chambers, \$23

Wed., January 25, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • Mon., March 6, 5:30-9:30 p.m. • Wed., April 26, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

#### **Protect Yourself from Scams - SAPD Officer Jim South**

Have you wondered how to recognize a scam you received in an email, or a phone call, or even a casual visitor at your door? Officer South will share hints on recognizing scams, reporting scams, tricks that are used by scam artists and even how to protect yourself before it occurs. Don't miss this valuable opportunity to be informed.

St. Anthony Council Chambers, FREE

Wednesday, March 8, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

#### **Ceramics Classes with Andrea Mason**

This introductory pottery class is for beginner and advanced potters alike. You will be introduced to throwing pottery on the wheel, hand building, and glazing procedures. Experienced students will enhance their skills and work with the instructor to develop their own projects. Dress for a mess, bring an old hand towel, and some dirty clothes! Tools will be supplied for use, including 25 lbs of clay and glaze.

St. Anthony High School Art Room #209, \$75 per 8 week session

Session 1 - Thursdays, January 5 - February 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Session 2 - Thursdays, March 2 - April 27, 6:30-8:30 p.m.



**ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR:** Andrea Mason has a passion for clay! She has a degree in art education from St. Cloud State University and pottery is by far her specialty. She taught community education pottery classes for 7 years in Monticello and is currently teaching high school art at St. Anthony Village High School. Andrea loves the functionality and flexibility that the medium of clay has and can't wait to explore it with you!

## **Day Trips**

#### King Lear at The Guthrie with Lunch and Back Stage Tour

Shakespeare's epic tragedy on Wurtele Thrust Stage is King Lear. After years of ruling Britain in peace, a respected King Lear decides to relinquish his crown and divide his kingdom among his three daughters, but when their love and loyalty falter, so does Lear's sanity. King Lear is a gripping portrait of fathers, daughters and a once-mighty ruler thwarted by his own hubris and betrayed by a vanishing mind. Attendees will also enjoy a box lunch and 45-minute backstage tour to learn from the Guthrie artists on how a production is created – from literary background to set and costume design to the staging of the play.

Wednesday, March 8 \$69 Register by January 31
Bus departs at 9:15 a.m. from upper parking lot at St. Anthony Community Center

Approximate return 4:15 p.m.

#### **Minnesota State Capitol**

Curious to see what has been going on behind all those temporary walls at the Minnesota State Capitol? Join us as we take a 45-minute guided tour of the capitol building, which will be re-opening after an extensive restoration, the largest since 1905. Highlights of the tour include: the largest self-supported marble dome in the world; decorative art, murals and paintings restored to original patterns and colors; and exploring some of the 20 monuments and memorials on the capitol grounds. This tour involves a lot of walking so wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather. After exploring the State Capitol, we will stop by the City View Grille for a buffet lunch.



Wednesday, March 29

\$38

Register by March 8

Bus departs at 9:15 a.m. from upper parking lot at St. Anthony Community Center Approximate return 2:00 p.m.

#### **Barn Quilt Countryside Tour**



Travel across the scenic countryside discovering an open-air art gallery in beautiful Carver County. Starting at the Waconia Fairgrounds, our guide Janet Fahey, featured barn quilt presenter, will join our drive through the beautiful countryside to learn about the tales of Minnesota Barn Quilts. We will visit folks who own some of these beautiful barns along the tour, do some shopping, and stop at the Waconia Brewing Company for a box lunch and beverage. Tour includes coach transportation, presenters, tour, lunch & gratuities.

Thursday, April 13

\$46

Register by March 1

Bus departs at 8:45 a.m. from upper parking lot at St. Anthony Community Center Approximate return 3:00 p.m.

#### **Festival of Nations**

Join us for a day of culture and fun at the longest running multicultural festival in the Midwest! For nearly 85 years, the Festival of Nations has inspired people throughout the region to discover more about our world and embrace the rich cultural diversity brought to us by immigrants from around the globe. This annual event celebrates cultural heritage and provides our community's immigrants with a platform to express their stories through world-class performances, exhibits, ethnic cuisine, and personal connections. A coach bus will pick you up at the Community Center and drop you off at the door of the River Center.



Friday, May 5

\$40

Register by April 3

Bus departs at 3:15 p.m. from upper parking lot at St. Anthony Community Center Approximate return 8:30 p.m.

## St. Anthony New Brighton Endowment Foundation



The St. Anthony New Brighton Endowment Foundation has made exciting progress since 2013. After meeting John Mondati's \$100,000 challenge in 2013, additional gifts and a generous appreciated stock donation have increased our total investments to over \$315,000. Those investments in 2016 alone increased in value by over \$16,000 through earnings. That growth is money no one had to give, but can now be used to provide high-quality educational opportunities for students.

Here are two ways the Endowment Foundation has invested proceeds into St. Anthony New Brighton Schools.

In 2015, the Foundation financed the purchase of a new lighting control board for the district auditorium, which is used by the schools as well as the community. It is now reliable, provides greater capability/lighting options, and provides state-of-the-art opportunities for student use and learning. Students can now design and perform the lighting functions, developing skill sets and giving them a taste of theater production, potentially for future careers.

In 2016, the Foundation partnered with SANBE and provided funds for the RoboHuskies team to replace old equipment essential to their work on the robots they use in competition. RoboHuskies combines team-building and cooperation with design, math, and engineering.

We believe these projects are a great example of what we can do together through the St. Anthony New Brighton Endowment Foundation. If you would like to make a one-time gift or give to the Endowment Foundation on an annual basis, you would help move us toward our goal of having \$500,000 invested and earning. The fund has been well managed and its gains directly impact our schools. As our investments grow, so will the income that can be used for educational opportunities for our students.

Thank you for your partnership! Contributions from our community help make this happen! Visit our website at http://www.stanthony.k12.mn.us/sanb-foundation for more information.

The 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 equipment, said, "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.





What is the price of the tickets? Tickets are \$150 per couple, which is admission for two adults--\$75 pays for a four course meal for two at beautiful Jax's Cafe with friends, the other \$75 is a donation to better the future of our schools and community! A single admission ticket is \$80.

#### How do I purchase tickets?

Purchase tickets online at www.sav4future.com. Register soon; space is limited. Or contact us: SAV4Future@gmail.com

#### Who can attend?

Any adult over the age of 21. We encourage friends, family, community members, local businesses, staff and anyone who loves public schools to attend!

#### Where do I buy a raffle ticket?

Please contact us at SAV4Future@gmail.com for raffle tickets.

#### Will there be a silent auction?

Yes! View and bid online for all your favorite auction items or bid at the event.

#### How can I help?

Donations, silent auction items, and spreading the word in our community are all ways you can help this event. Please email the event organizers for more information on how you can help.

#### How are the proceeds from the event split between the two organizations?

Proceeds will be split evenly between the SANBE Foundation Annual Fund and St. Anthony New Brighton Endowment Foundation.

#### 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 for 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. With SANBE celebrating 25 years of providing grant money to ISD282 teachers and administrators to enhance the education of our students, we look forward to providing approximately \$25,000.00 in grants this year. SANBE's goal is to supplement and enhance the already great teaching of the District by providing financial assistance for innovative ideas that directly benefit students from preschool through high school.

#### What is the St. Anthony New Brighton Endowment Foundation?

The St. Anthony New Brighton School District has a rich history of providing high-quality educational opportunities for students. Public funding is no longer sufficient to ensure the level of excellence vital for student success. 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 enrichment opportunities in the St. Anthony New Brighton Schools.

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## St. Anthony Village High School Is Named One of the Best Schools in The Nation



U.S. Secretary of Education, John B. King, Jr., announced that St. Anthony Village High School was named a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School. St. Anthony Village High School is one of only 279 public and 50 private schools receiving this honor.

"National Blue Ribbon Schools are proof that we can prepare every child for college and meaningful careers," King said in a video message to honorees, "All of you–students, teachers and administrators–deserve our highest praise. You are shining examples for your communities, your state, and the nation."

National Blue Ribbon Schools are on education's cutting edge, pioneering innovative educational practices from professional learning communities and

project-based learning to social and emotional learning and positive behavior systems. Schools are nominated by the state department of education and then complete a comprehensive application about school practices. St. Anthony Village High School was nominated as an Exemplary High Performing School—among the top schools in Minnesota.

Principal Wayne Terry and Bill Blomstrom, Spanish teacher, (pictured above) represented St. Anthony Village High School at an awards ceremony in November in Washington, D.C., where they heard from Secretary King and other esteemed educators, shared best practices, and celebrated their hard-won achievements.