

Rain or shine, Huskies spirit was high

Students and staff kicked off the Homecoming festivities through school dress up days and spirit assemblies before the annual Powderpuff football game. SAVHS senior and Homecoming queen Kathleen Morrison led the school's Unity Day celebration, which featured students and staff coming together to stand up against bullying and discrimination.

Alumni and community members then returned to campus to enjoy a catered spaghetti dinner from the Dive Sports Bar and Grill along with a wonderful Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. The Huskies hosted South St. Paul in the rainy homecoming game on Friday before the week of events was rounded out by the Homecoming Dance in the Commons.

Our resident photographer and one of our high school math teachers Dave Wiggins captured the fun events surrounding homecoming!



Teachers working to progress and implement new standards by 2025

At St. Anthony-New Brighton Schools, we are dedicated to embracing our students' brilliance. Our work around proficiency-based learning and grading requires that we shift our practices in planning, teaching, assessing and addressing all learning acceleration needs.

This is not just a shift in how we teach and assess, but also in how we, as a school district, provide the acceleration for all of our students to grow and achieve. This change is not a passing trend but a decade-long strategic move to enhance the quality of education we provide to our students.

Our staff members started this during their first professional development day in October. The day consisted of presentations by Dr. Tamika Fuller, who is helping lead this work, and by the Teaching and Learning staff. This team will be providing mini-sessions dedicated to learning and practicing new ideas and concepts throughout the school year along with ongoing support to our teachers as they rewrite their standards.

We are so proud of the work our teachers are doing to provide equitable learning experiences for all students!



Apply to be on the Teaching and Learning Committee for the 23-24 school year!

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St. Anthony - New Brighton voters overwhelmingly approved both questions of the November 7 Referendum. Thank you, voters! Read more inside!

Fall 2023



Election results

Voters approved both referendum questions in the Nov. 7, 2023, election. The district can now move forward with implementing the plan for these funds:

- Elevate academic support and programs advancing future-focused learning.
- Improve social-emotional learning for our students and staff.
- Increase support for our teachers through professional development and coaching.
- Develop a robust recruit and retain program for highly-qualified educators, ensuring that our schools are staffed with the best possible educators.

At the time of this publication, the results were unofficial. However, at the St. Anthony - New Brighton School Board November 14 meeting, the results were officially canvassed.

According to Ramsey County, the unofficial vote totals were:

Question 1: 66.27% Yes, 33.73% No
Question 2: 71.08% Yes, 28.92% No

We are thankful for our community for supporting the future of St. Anthony - New Brighton Schools and for investing in the brilliance of our students and staff!

We know not everyone voted the same way. We will continue to collaborate and communicate as we move forward in our journey to become Ever Brighter together.

Thank you for your support of our district!

Welcome back St. Anthony - New Brighton School District residents,

It's been a busy time once again this year. Between homecoming, back to school events and a referendum, we've had our hands full! We hope you've been staying engaged with our school community through the variety of athletic and activity events offered at the high school and middle school.

I would like to acknowledge that there have been many discussions in our community over the last few months regarding the future of the St. Anthony - New Brighton School District. In these discussions, there is always a common theme of care and support for the young people and staff of this community. We knew that we were asking our community to consider a lot, but the election results make it clear that our community wants to provide students the opportunity to be Ever Brighter in their educational journey.

As we move into this school year, we will continue to focus on having our students reach the district's success metrics: harness academic skills and excellence, nurture a love of learning, create social and physical wellness, and be positive contributors to our community. We know that when our students thrive in these ways, we are preparing young people for purposeful lives.

Thank you to everyone who participated in this election and for your commitment to our school district.

Dr. Renee Corneille, Superintendent



UPCOMING EVENTS

Check out what's happening with St. Anthony - New Brighton School District!

- November 20-24: No School - Fall Break
- November 28: 5th Grade Band Concert (7-9 p.m.)
- December 4: High School Choirs Concert
- December 5: School Board Regular Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- December 11: 8th and 9th Grade Bands
- December 14: 6th and 7th Grade Bands
- December 18: Symphonic Concert and Jazz Bands
- December 19: 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Choirs
- December 19: School Board Work Session (7 p.m.)
- December 22, 2023 – January 2, 2024: No School - Winter/Holiday Break

For a complete list of athletic events and activities, please visit letsgohuskies.com.



Senior citizens get into athletic and activity events **FOR FREE!** Use this coupon at all St. Anthony - New Brighton events to support the Huskies!

EVENT SCHEDULES
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Listen to our podcast!

Did you know St. Anthony - New Brighton Schools has a podcast? Superintendent Dr. Renee Corneille and a special guest – community member, teacher, parent or student – meet to talk about relevant and current topics in the community. Give us a listen on Spotify!

SCAN TO LISTEN:



SANB LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY CONTINUES
School Board Legislative Action

The SANB School Board Legislative Team continues their formal advocacy for our district around inequitable taxation of local communities.

Below are a few high-level facts that broadly explain the issue and the ways the St. Anthony - New Brighton School Board is working with local legislators. Please read the full article for more details.

- Education finance is complex and inequities for local taxpayers exist
- Your St. Anthony - New Brighton School Board has a Legislative Team that advocates for equitable and reliable state funding for education
- A legislative resolution was recently submitted to the state school board association advocating for equitable and comparable taxpayer effort

Learn more about how you can help make an impact on local taxation.

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District Highlights

New hallway artwork:

Earlier this month, the hallway connecting the St. Anthony Middle School - St. Anthony Village High School to the lunchroom and athletic facilities received a revamp! The hallway walls hadn't been redesigned in over 20 years and we felt it was time to update the design in this important part of our schools. Next time you're at the building, walk downstairs to The Commons and see the artwork in person.



School Board Vice Chair promotion:

School Board Vice Chair Laura Oksnevad was recently promoted to the executive and legislative committee for the Association of Metropolitan School Districts (AMSD). This organization works in partnership with school districts and advocates for us at the legislature, which is incredibly important to ensuring our voices are heard at the capitol.

Award-winning Athletics and Activities department:

The St. Anthony - New Brighton Schools Athletics & Activities department and Director Troy Urdahl are recipients of the National Interscholastic Activities Administrators Association (NIAAA) Quality Program Recognition. The department was recognized for their dedication to providing students the best possible high school athletic experience through education-based athletics.

Congratulations to the St. Anthony Village High School Activities and Athletics Director Troy Urdahl who was selected as a finalist for Athletic Director of the Year by the National High School Athletic Coach Association (NHSACA). The NHSACA annually recognizes outstanding athletic directors for contributions to interscholastic athletics and activities at the local, state, and national level.

District Wellness Coordinator Lori Watzl-King named School Nurse of the Year:

Recognized by the School Nurse Organization of Minnesota, Lori's dedication and excellence in nursing make her truly deserving of this award. She was honored at the national conference in Orlando, FL.

New Free School Meals Program helps serve more students:

As a result of the Free School Meal Program, Wilshire Park Elementary is serving about 300 students breakfast and almost 600 students lunch everyday. This program is invaluable in ensuring each student is fed and nourished for a full day of learning.

Former interim middle school principal is part-time farmer:

Steven Geis, who served as the interim St. Anthony Middle School principal until Oct. 31, is a farmer by trade. When he had an entire truckload of corn that he needed to haul away, he knew where to go. Thank you Steven for providing our school community with a nutritious snack to share with family and friends!

School Highlights

COMMUNITY SERVICES

What Community Services courses do you want offered?

The Community Services department believes in lifelong learning from early childhood through adulthood in our small, caring environment. Our goal is to develop connections among people in our St. Anthony - New Brighton School District community.

We want your feedback and ideas for adult and youth classes!



WILSHIRE PARK ELEMENTARY
The importance of literacy, and how SANB is leading the way:

The 2023 Minnesota Legislative session brought about new opportunities for advancing our student's academic progress. Through increased focus on literacy, our students will be able to get the resources they need to be strong readers, which is essential to learning. Learn about literacy with District Literacy Coordinator Jaimee Stanley in a podcast as she talks about the literacy program at SANB Schools.

ST. ANTHONY VILLAGE HIGH SCHOOL
U.S. Representative Ilhan Omar visits SAVHS:

This fall, SAVHS students had the special opportunity to visit with U.S. Representative Ilhan Omar during Ms. Mason's art class. Representative Omar also visited with the Muslim Student Association (MSA) student group, answering questions and learning more about the awesome work our students are doing.



2023-2024 National Merit Scholarship Commended Students:

Two students were honored as Commended Students in the 2024 National Merit Scholarship Program. Congratulations to Meghan Przybilla and Cooper Van Buren! Commended students are recognized for their exceptional academic promise as demonstrated by their outstanding performance on the qualifying test used for program entry.

SAVHS student featured for her work on Unity Day:

Kathleen Morrison, SAVHS student and 2023 Homecoming Queen, attended the St. Anthony City Council meeting this fall, asking for Wednesday, Oct. 18, to be recognized as Unity Day. Unity Day is the biggest day during National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month. It is dedicated to promote kindness, acceptance and inclusion to prevent bullying. Mayor Randy Stille declared October 18 as Unity Day and her story was recently featured by Eric Perkins, former KARE 11 broadcaster.



ST. ANTHONY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Off and Out of Sight cell phone policy helping students:

We aim to create a learning environment that prioritizes relationship building and deep learning without the distraction of cell phones. Students are more attentive and less distracted since this policy was put in place.



Tiny mic interviews with Superintendent Dr. Renee Corneille:

What is a tiny mic? It is an incredibly small microphone used to interview students around the district.

Check it out!

