May 26, 2023 Newsletter

Upcoming Dates

May
26- Spring Choir Concert 6:00 pm
29- No School (Memorial Day)

June
2- Last day for seniors to submit work
6- MCJROTC Valley Fair Field Trip 10:00-6:00 pm
9- Last day of school for seniors
9- 10:00 is Cap/Gown/Ticket pick up & Senior BBQ is 11:30-2:00 pm
13- Graduation 8:00-10:00 pm
14- End of 4th Quarter
14- Last day of School for students in grades 9-11
15- Last day for teachers

As we are heading into Summer, here is a link of resources for LGBTQ+ families and youth: https://www.outfront.org/youth-organizations

June is Pride Month, inspiring a host of events around the world. What is Pride Month exactly? The rainbows and glitter may catch your eye, but the month-long celebration is really a call for greater unity, visibility and equality for the LGBTQ community. And while it's a time to look toward a fairer, kinder future, it's also a moment to recognize all of the advances — and setbacks — in the last few decades.

Youth Pride 2023 - Saturday, June 3rd - 1-6pm @ Como Park East Pavilions (1199 Midway Pkwy, St. Paul)

More events are listed at Twins Cities Pride!
*Attention*

Parents/Guardians of Juniors

Required Immunization Alert

Meningococcal booster (MCV4 #2) is a required vaccination and is administered to individuals 16 - 18 years of age.

Please make arrangements with your health care provider to receive this required shot before the start of your student’s senior year.

- Health Start Clinics, 651-233-8951. Located in Various St. Paul High Schools throughout the city. Call for an appointment
- St. Paul-Ramsey County Public Health, 651-266-1234. Call for an appointment
- Student Placement Center (SPC) Health Office, 651-632-3763. Pre-K through 12th grade students who are uninsured or have State Health Insurance only. Please contact our office prior to arriving. The Health Office is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM and Thursdays from 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

GRADUATION INFORMATION

HEY SENIOR PARENTS! If you have questions regarding graduation or events leading up to it, please click the link below.
https://sites.google.com/stpaul.k12.mn.us/cpshs-class2023/home

Leaving Saint Paul Public Schools? Moving?

Students will be keeping their iPads for the summer unless they are leaving the district. If this pertains to your student, please return the iPad, charging brick and cord to Mr. Kvamme; iPad Coordinator, before the last day of school. Have your student notify their counselor of any moves as well. Thank you. **"
Over 400 library books wanted!

The value of the books still checked out exceeds the entire library budget for next year.

Please help by encouraging students to bring their library books back.

Thank you!
Congratulations to our Prom Royalty
Pictured left to right: Betty Hebble- Prom Court, Abdi Hidig- Prom King, Ellen Chinema- Prom Queen, Liam Schwie- Prom Court, Shania Nichols- Prom Princess, Thay See- Prom Prince

The CPSHS MCJROTC Physical Fitness team performed admirably for their first time at the Youth Physical Fitness Nationals in Little Rock, Arkansas. Congratulations to Catholic High School again winning the championship position. Ve Shar gold medaled in the top 5 highest scoring Male Cadets. The other four high scores were all from Catholic HS. Well done Como Park MCJROTC "PT" Cougars. Great Teamwork.😊
Congratulations! The MCIROTC conducted their annual Year-End-Awards Ceremony on Thursday, 18 May 2023. Approximately 40 plus cadets were commended for their superb contributions to the program. Accolades, scholarships, and numerous medals alluded to the top performers. The school day also included a parade performance and the year-end banquet to break bread. Semper fi!

Como Alumni (‘14-’15) Cadet Commanding Officer Dah Dah delivers an impactful emotional message to the cadets on Thursday’s MCIROTC Change of Command. Her character, passion and relentless honor, courage and commitment still blossom more than ever as a spectacular screenwriter.

Cadets wake at 6am to support the Women Run Twin City event at Minnehaha Park and the Hamline Elementary Festival this afternoon. Thank you for your service to our community.
Congratulations! **1.5 Million Dollars.** *Thanks to all of you* for being a part of our village. A new record and a remarkable achievement in HONOR-COURAGE and COMMITMENT from all of the MCJROTC cadet Cougar graduates scholarships in SY22-23.

**Cadet Major Jesiah Mason** - $190,500.00 (Augsburg Full Tuition Scholarship & Olga B. Hart Scholarship & Wallin Scholarship)

**Cadet First Lieutenant Cindy Thao** - $172,500.00 (Augsburg Full Tuition Scholarship)

**Cadet First Lieutenant Gay L. Htoo** - $246,500.00 (Augsburg Full Tuition Scholarship & Wallin Scholarship & Travelers Edge Scholarship & Ray Eva Hope Miller Scholarship)
Cadet First Lieutenant Alex Le - $250,000.00 (Air Force Academy Scholarship)

Cadet Captain Chong Her - $48,000.00 (Travelers Edge Scholarship)

Cadet Sergeant Ve Shar - $96,000.00 (Minnesota National Guard Scholarship & Wallin Scholarship & Bethel University Scholarship)

Cadet Sergeant Major Sophia Moore - $10,500.00 (The North Star Marine Veteran Scholarship & The Le Family Scholarship & The CSP University Scholarship & The CSP PSEO Scholarship & The SPPS & ACE Alexander Scholarship & The CSP Diversity Scholarship)

Cadet Corporal Gwenivere Thao - $1,500.00 (The North Star Marine Veteran Scholarship & USMC Minnesota Coordinating (Council Scholarship)

Cadet Corporal Pah Meh - $500.00 (USMC Major Foley (Ret) Foundation Scholarship)

Cadet First Lieutenant Dallas Beilke - $80,000.00 (United States Navy Scholarship)

Cadet Second Lieutenant Ju Hei - $80,000.00 (Minnesota National Guard Scholarship)

Cadet Second Lieutenant Paw Htoo - $80,000.00 (Minnesota National Guard Scholarship)

Cadet First Lieutenant Ze Vang - $80,000.00 (Minnesota National Guard Scholarship)

Cadet Lance Corporal Bae Reh - $80,000.00 (Minnesota National Guard Scholarship)

Cadet Lance Corporal Sandar Htway - $80,000.00 (Minnesota National Guard Scholarship)

FAMILY FUN NIGHT WAS A SUCCESS!

Thanks to everyone who volunteered at FAMILY FUN NIGHT! It was great to see families eating together, dancing, playing games, and doing projects. We had a great turnout and couldn’t have done it without you! Please enjoy some pictures/videos from the evening 😁

https://photos.app.goo.gl/ZpHNaVQygPELk3vT8
FREEDOM SCHOOL
SUMMER CREDIT RECOVERY PROGRAM
African American Males, Grades 10-12

June 26th- August 18, 2023
8:00am-3:15pm (Mon-Fri)
No Class July 3 and July 4
Hazel Park Preparatory School
1140 White Bear Avenue N, St.Paul 55106

- For African-American males in grades 10-12 who need credit recovery for English and Social Studies towards graduation
- Credit portion in the morning; Internship in the afternoon ($15/hour)
- Meet successful African American male role models
- Career Pathways and College Preparation mentoring

For more information contact:
Dr. Darcel Hill: darcel.hill@spps.org
Devyn Logan: devyn.logan@spps.org
651-744-6342
Greetings SPPS Staff, Family & Community,

You’re invited to be a part of the first ever Critical Ethnic Studies Student Showcase hosted by the SPPS Ethnic Studies Department (see flier below).

The purpose of this event is to highlight students' learning, growth and experience through the Critical Ethnic Studies course (new graduation requirement). Students will have opportunities to share their Final Capstone Project, attend workshop sessions and listen to guest speakers. This is a collaborative space for young people to practice and model the 7 Principles of Ethnic Studies (Self Love, Honor, Community, Critical Consciousness, Resistance, Hope, and Visualization) with their peers and extended school community.
Critical Ethnic Studies Student Showcase
SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH 9-2PM | AT WASHINGTON TECH

Activities & Events
- CES Student Capstone Projects
- Guest Artists
- Keynote Speakers
- Community Led Workshops
- Open Mic
- Raffle/Prizes!
- Food & Refreshments

Meet us in the Great Hall!
1495 Rice St, St Paul, MN 55117
Saturday, June 10th
9:00am - 2:00pm

Please register using the QR Code below. Deadline is June 5, 2023.

Contact:
ethnicstudies.dept@spps.org

Flier created by SPPS Students, CES Showcase Committee Member.
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Recent college grads can answer your biggest questions and help you with ACT test prep, finding scholarships and financial aid, college applications and much more!

10th Grade

Interested in joining College Possible? Scan the QR code to receive more info!

For more information about College Possible, visit CollegePossible.org/Apply
The Summer Academic Enrichment Program (SAEP) provides stipends on a first-come, first-serve basis, to cover all or a portion of the direct cost of eligible summer academic enrichment programs for students in grades 3-11.

Students can be awarded one stipend of a maximum amount of $1,000 that will be directly paid to the program they enroll in.

Is your kid eligible for an stipend from the SAEP?

Please, apply for an stipend if:

- Your child is a Minnesota resident and a student (up to 11th Grade) attending an eligible summer enrichment program (see list below).
- Is eligible for free or reduced priced meals.

If your child is in grades 7-11, they must have either an overall “C” average or its equivalent for the most recently recorded academic term in the subject area applicable to the summer program they wish to attend.

How do you Apply?

You must apply directly to the eligible summer program. The summer program will complete the online application for a stipend from the Summer Academic Enrichment Program. Funds will be processed and will go directly to the eligible summer program.

For locations and enrichment programs, click here.
NEED SUMMER PLANS? TRY SUMMER CAMP!
The Summer Enrichment Program (SAEP) is the perfect way to have fun while enhancing your love of learning! Get Ready is offering funding to students currently in grades 10 - 12, who would like to attend these summer camps.

Contact the Get Ready Coordinator at your school for more information about the summer camp you’re interested in attending, and receive assistance on completing the application process.

Documents you will need to complete to apply include: Get Ready student application, guardian form, transcripts, MARSS number, and free/reduced lunch eligibility form (if applicable).

Are you eligible for a stipend from SEAP?
Apply for a stipend if:
- You are a Minnesota resident and a student attending an eligible summer camp (listed on back or on the Get Ready website).
- You are eligible for free or reduced priced meals.
- You have a “C” average GPA

*If 2 and 3 do not apply to you, Get Ready will cover your cost of registration and attendance. Everyone is eligible!

How do you apply?
Scan the QR code to apply on the Get Ready website!
Connect with your Get Ready Coordinator for assistance or with questions.


For a list of Summer Camps, click here.
CLASS OF 2024
RISING SENIOR SUMMER SUCCESS PROGRAM

July 12: North Hennepin Community College
Target Schools: Cooper, Fridley, Como, Harding, Hiawatha

July 28: St. Cloud Technical and Community College
Target Schools: Apollo, Tech

This **free, limited-space** event includes transportation, breakfast, lunch, college prizes, and the opportunity to:
- Explore your career and college options after high school
- Visit local colleges and meet advisors and subject matter experts
- Leave with tools and resources for career and college planning
- Attend hands-on workshops lead by subject professionals regarding:
  - Researching post-high school college or career options
  - Federal Student Aid and how to access free money for college
  - Scholarship information
  - Free training programs
  - Personal statements and essay writing

JOIN US!
Scan the QR codes to register, or talk with the Get Ready Pathway Coordinator at your school for more information.