

The Brighter Bulletin

St. Anthony New Brighton Family Newsletter

DECEMBER 24, 2025

Hello SANB Families!

Here's a snapshot of today's Brighter Bulletin:




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District Updates

A Message of Gratitude from Superintendent Corneille



Superintendent Renee Corneille shared a message of gratitude with staff and families ahead of winter break. [You can find the message on ParentSquare.](#)

Math Curriculum Adoption Update

The Math Curriculum Adoption Team is engaging families, school sites, and community stakeholders about what they want to see in a new math curricular resource. To inform the selection process, SANB math teachers recently received a survey eliciting critical feedback. This month's meeting focused on establishing a math mission, vision, and learner profile.

The team also worked to increase their understanding of Dimensions 1 and 2 of the Standards of Mathematical Practice (MPs). In January, the team will release another stakeholder survey about critical elements of mathematics teaching and learning. Finally, they'll collaborate on the Math Curriculum Review Checklist in preparation for hosting selected vendors.

Stay tuned for more updates!

Events, Opportunities & Highlights

SAVHS Triple 'A' Winners: Grady Cartony and Rebecca Nelson 🏆🏆

Each year St. Anthony Village High School has the opportunity to recognize two seniors with the Academics, Arts, and Athletics Award (often referred to as the Triple 'A' Award). This year's recipients – Rebecca Nelson and Grady Cartony – are outstanding representatives for SAVHS, excelling in all three areas of the award.



GRADY CARTONY

TRIPLE A AWARD WINNER



REBECCA NELSON

TRIPLE A AWARD WINNER

Congratulations Grady!

Grady Cartony is a member of the symphonic, concert, and jazz bands at SAVHS where he plays saxophone. He is extremely passionate about jazz music and plans to pursue a degree in music, specifically in jazz performance. He has been a section leader since his sophomore year and was named to the All-State Jazz Band this year. He has a solid 3.7 GPA while taking two AP courses. Grady has been a varsity goalie for the hockey team since his sophomore year and has spent time volunteering helping younger goalies hone their skills.

Congratulations Rebecca!

Rebecca Nelson has earned a 4.1 GPA while taking a number of AP and CIS courses. She is a two-sport athlete, being a captain of the basketball and track and field teams. Last track season, Becca went to state in the 400M Dash after hitting a huge PR in the section meet (59.23). On the basketball court, Becca has been one of the top scorers so far this season. She's been a member of the Chamber Choir since 10th grade. Becca will be headed to Bethel next year where she hopes to pursue a degree in Elementary Education while continuing her basketball career.

Dream Board Workshop: January 10 ✂

Start 2026 with intention, inspiration, and a little bit of glue stick magic. At this adults-only evening, you'll create your own dream board to help manifest your goals for the year ahead—whether they involve hiking more trails, spending more time with family, getting healthier, exploring new places, or reaching a professional milestone.

Magazines, scissors, and supplies will be provided, plus a creative guide to help you turn your goals into a visual masterpiece. Bring your favorite snacks and beverages (yes, beer and wine are welcome!) and enjoy a cozy winter evening dreaming big at the park. This event is 18+.



Craft Your Path

A Dream Board Workshop
Saturday, January 10th
6-8 PM



Register online with
SAV Community Services

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Silverwood Park
2500 County Road E, Saint Anthony, MN

Dream Board Workshop

The SANBE Foundation 🤝

The SANBE Foundation works to enhance our school district by providing grants to teachers to support innovating learning opportunities. For example: a garden redesign led by SAMS students, cooking supplies for the high school special education team to allow students to practice functional life skills, math materials for Wilshire Park students to learn concepts through games, and rain pants for pre-schoolers to go outside in all types of Minnesota weather. The Foundation also supports the St. Anthony Community Fund which helps to remove barriers and allow students to fully participate in the school community, providing things like band or choir clothes and field trip access. **Please consider a gift to the SANBE Foundation online.**

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School Board Brief

Board Brief Key Takeaways: December 16

The Board Brief is a summary of the activities and discussion during school board meetings. To dive deeper into what occurred, please watch the recording.

- Before the work session began, community members and staff celebrated the last meeting of Laura Oksnevad and Mike Overman. Everyone thanked them for their years of service to SANB schools. In her speech Director Oksnevad said, "Looking back, I'm proud of the progress we've made together."
- SAMS eighth graders presented the highlights from the Eagle Bluff overnight field trip. Students got to practice survival skills like GPS tracking and fire starting. They also enjoyed beautiful views of the Northern Lights.
- Heather Berndt, District-Wide Q-Comp Advisor and Nancy Terry, CORE Colleague Coordinator presented on the 24-25 and 25-26 Q-Comp goals. Q-Comp is an alternative pay system for licensed staff. Q-Comp is made up of three components: teacher practices, student achievement goals, and site based goals.
- The school board discussed an elections contract renewal with Ramsey County. Next steps include reviewing cost quotes on the election services offered by Hennepin County.
- There was a first reading of Policy 213 - School Board Committees and a second reading of Policy 704 - Development and Maintenance of an Inventory of Fixed Assets and a Fixed Asset Accounting System.
- Superintendent Renee Corneille informed the board of the decision to retain and restrict access to the book Gender Queer by Maia Kobabe in the SAMS/SAVHS library. This decision was made after carrying out the steps outlined in Policy 606.5 - Library Materials. The decision to restrict access directly addresses the Library Materials Review Committee's finding that certain content is beyond the emotional and social development of younger students, particularly those in grades 6-7.
- Chair Cassandra Palmer closed the meeting with kind remarks to the departing members Laura Oksnevad and Mike Overman.

12.16.25 Meeting Recording



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