



THE WINDS
MAY 20, 2026

IMPORTANT DATES

May 21	Deephaven Mom's Night Out, 6:30 p.m. (Maynards)
May 25	No School - Memorial Day
May 26	Grade 5 Band Concert at MHS, 6:15 p.m.
May 27	Wacky Wednesday: Silly Sock & Hair Day
June 2	Deephaven Dad's Night Out, 6:30 p.m. (Maynards)
June 5	Deephaven's Got Talent, 7 p.m. (Excelsior Elementary)
June 9	Grade 5 Graduation, 12:30 p.m.
June 10	Last Day of School - Early Release at 12:40

[District Calendar](#)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – Wednesday, June 10 (Early Release at 12:40)

Fifth Grade Graduation takes place on Tuesday, June 9 at 12:30 p.m. More details will be shared with fifth grade parents by the fifth-grade teachers.

Principal's Challenge information will be shared in next week's Winds.

Celebrating Excellence at Deephaven - At last Thursday night's Celebration of Excellence, Maura Devanie, Deephaven's ELL teacher, was honored as Deephaven's Teacher of Child-Centered Excellence Award recipient. We are thrilled to share that Maura was also selected to serve as Minnetonka's **elementary representative for the Minnesota Teacher of the Year Award**—an incredible honor. Maura's dedication to students and commitment to excellence truly reflect the strength of our Deephaven community. If you see her, please take a moment to congratulate her! We are so proud—congratulations, Maura!

Yearbooks: Important information for parents.

Yearbook Distribution Date - June 2

Distribution Process:

1. Yearbooks are sent home and to remain at home (unless a signing event is set by the teacher, and you choose to have your child participate)
2. Deephaven will not replace any damaged yearbooks or yearbooks that another student damages or writes inappropriate things in it. No exceptions.
3. It is up to the owner of the yearbook to determine who he/she trusts to sign their yearbook and to always maintain control of it.

If a parent is concerned about the possibility of a yearbook becoming damaged or defaced, the yearbook should remain at home.

Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) Building Representative can be contacted at any time if you have questions or would like a connection within the building. Please reach out to Morgan Minich, morgroberts@gmail.com.

CHARACTER STRONG

We are excited to focus on creativity in the month of May. It's time to be creative! At some point, everyone finds themselves in a situation that requires creativity to solve problems or create something new. In those situations, students can feel stuck or unable to get started. Practicing creativity helps students develop tools like using their imagination to come up with meaningful solutions. Each grade level will also practice applying creativity to support being well emotionally.

SUPPORTING READING AT HOME

Build Phonemic Awareness

- **Sound Games:** Play games that involve recognizing and manipulating sounds in words. [For example, ask your child to identify the first sound in a word or to come up with words that rhyme.](#)
 - **Nursery Rhymes:** [Recite and sing nursery rhymes together to develop early literacy skills.](#)
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

Summer is just around the corner!

- **The last day to check out library books is Friday, May 22.** All library books are due Monday, June 1st.
 - All student iPads will be collected for maintenance and summer storage. This year's 5th graders will get new iPads in September.
 - If you have a District charging cable at home, please send it to school by **June 4th**.
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FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Medication Pick-Up

If your child had medication of any kind in the Health Office during the 2025-26 school year, please plan to pick it up on or before the last day of school, June 10th. We ask that emergency medications such as epi pens and inhalers remain at school until the last day. Please contact the Health Office by email at (DHE.HealthOffice@minnetonkaschools.org) to make arrangements. Some medications (inhalers, epi pens, etc.) can be sent home with your student if we have an email request on file. Controlled medications (ADHD, seizure, etc.) must be picked up by a parent. Any medication remaining in the Health Office after June 10th will be discarded.

PTA PULSE

End of Year Field Day Events – Field Day celebrations are coming up as we celebrate another great school year! Thanks to your classroom party donations, each grade will enjoy a fun-filled day of activities and a treat from the Big Chill truck. Celebrations will look a little different by grade, and room parents are helping plan the festivities. Thank you for your support in making these events special for our students!

Mom's Night Out - May 21, 6:30 p.m. at Maynards - Moms, Grandmas, and caretakers, stop by any time. There is no formal agenda - just visiting. Contact Megan D'Alessandro with questions, Dalessandromeg@gmail.com.

Dad's Night Out - June 2, 6:30 p.m. at Maynards - Dads, Grandpas, and caretakers of all kinds, please join us. This is a buy your own food and beverage event. Contact Jerome D'Alessandro at 763-458-7321 with questions.