



THE WINDS
MAY 27, 2026

IMPORTANT DATES

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)

Minnetonka Seniors – Clap out on June 4. Deephaven will have a clap out for the Minnetonka seniors that attended Deephaven Elementary during their grade school years. Our elementary students enjoy seeing the big kids walking through the halls wearing their caps and gowns. It's a tradition for our current students to look forward to.

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. Deephaven will have a clap out for our 5th graders the morning of June 9.

Principal's Challenge - Students entering grades 1-5 next fall are invited to participate in the Principal's Summer Challenge. Your child's classroom teacher will hand out the Principal's Summer Challenge calendar to your child next week. The challenge begins the day after school ends and runs until the start of the school year. Students may complete any, or all, of the three challenges, which include reading, math, and writing. It is helpful to have celebrations and recognitions at home over the summer to encourage your child to keep going. You may use any materials to complete the challenge, including IXL and other school-based apps. The ultimate goal is to keep your child engaged in the 3 areas each day over the summer. You may contact the office for an extra calendar by emailing alexis.beckman@minnetonkaschools.org (printable copy below).

2026-27 Bussing As we prepare for the year ahead, the Minnetonka Public Schools Transportation Department wanted to remind you that for each student who will be riding the school bus next school year, you must fill out a [Student Transportation Request Form](#). This is an annual requirement, so even if your student rode the bus this year, we ask that you fill out the form for the year ahead.

GUIDELINES FOR SIGNING UP YOUR STUDENT TO RIDE THE BUS:

- **Annual Bus Enrollment Required:** All families must complete a [Student Transportation Request Form](#) each year to receive transportation services.
- **Form Per Student:** Please submit a separate form for each student in your household who will be riding the bus.

- **Out-of-District Families:** Students living outside of the district will be assigned a bus stop within the boundary of the school they will attend.
- **Preferred Stops:** You may indicate a preferred bus stop on the enrollment form. However, we cannot guarantee all requests.

The deadline to submit your busing request is July 1, 2026. If you have any questions, please email the Transportation Department at: transportation@minnetonkaschools.org

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

Expand Vocabulary

- **Word Games:** Engage in activities that introduce new words. [Discuss the meanings of new words encountered in books or daily conversations](#)
- **Labeling:** [Label objects around the house to help your child learn new words and their meanings](#)

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

Pre-Order School Supplies for next year: Hit the easy button and save time. School supplies will be delivered to classrooms before the start of school. [Pre-order here](#).

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.

Deephaven Elementary
Principal McGinley's Summer Challenge
Reading, Writing & Math Challenge for Grades 1-5

Record your reading minutes, the number of stories and the number of days you have practiced math facts on the summer calendars included in this packet.

Goals for Students Entering Grades 2-5

Reading Goal: 1,500 minutes

Writing Goal: 6 stories (2 per month)

Math Goal: At least 500 minutes (10 min. per day)

Goals for Students Entering Grade 1

Reading Goal: 1,000 minutes by student or parent

Writing Goal: 2 stories

Math Goal: 250 math facts

Prizes will be awarded for:

Participation
complete one goal

Achievement
complete two goals

Trifecta
complete all three goals

Name: _____ **2026-27 Grade:** _____ **2026-27 Teacher:** _____



Principal's Challenge Summary			
	Math Minutes	Reading Minutes	Stories Written
June			
July			
August			
Totals:			



Turn in this packet with your stories to the office the first week of school.
Deadline Friday, September 4

2026-27 Grade:_____

2026-27 Teacher: _____

Calendar and hard copy of stories must be turned in to the school office.



Deadline Friday, September 4

Name: _____

2026-27 Grade: _____

2026-27 Teacher: _____

Principal's Challenge - June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			10 Last Day of School!	11 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	12 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	13 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:
14 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	15 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	16 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	17 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	18 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	19 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	20 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:
21 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	22 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	23 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	24 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	25 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	26 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	27 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:
28 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	29 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	30 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:			June Totals	
					Math Minutes:	Reading Minutes:

Principal's Challenge - July 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July Totals			1	2	3	4
Math Minutes:	Reading Minutes:		Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:
5 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	6 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	7 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	8 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	9 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	10 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	11 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:
12 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	13 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	14 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	15 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	16 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	17 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:	18 Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:
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2026-27 Grade: _____

2026-27 Teacher: _____

Principal's Challenge - August 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August Totals						1
Math Minutes:	Reading Minutes:					Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Math Minutes: Reading Minutes:						

Principal's Challenge - September 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		First Day of School!			Forms Due in the Office Today!	

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Deadline Friday, September 4