



Deephaven Elementary
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THE WINDS
JUNE 3, 2026

IMPORTANT DATES

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)

Deephaven Parents – Thank you for supporting our school this year! Your partnership is critical to the work we do each day with our students. We had close to 99% attendance at conferences, an incredible volunteer force that supported our school in so many ways, and a PTA that helped us further meet the needs of all students through Enrichment Grants and more! June 9 we celebrate our fifth-grade students at our annual Fifth Grade Graduation. They will certainly be missed next year! As we head into summer, I hope you and your family enjoy the beautiful Minnesota weather and the many fun activities that come with it.

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.

Lost and Found If you have any missing items, please stop by and check our lost and found. All items will be bagged up and donated on Wednesday, June 10. There are hats, gloves, winter jackets and more!

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.

Goodbye to our Fifth Graders - Deephaven wishes our fifth graders the best of luck as they head off to middle school in the fall. We will miss you! We will also miss the parents whose fifth grader is their youngest child. Thank you for all of your support over the years.

Book Collection

Hello, my name is Ian Martin-Mann from Troop 430 and I'm collecting new books for the Minnesota Children's Hospital for my Eagle Scout Project. My goal is to get as many books as I can to kids this summer so every kid has a book they find personally enjoyable. I'm collecting books for kids of all ages, infant through Young Adult. I can only collect new books as the hospital isn't able to accept used books for health reasons. There is a box near the main entrance and I will be collecting books through **Tuesday June 9th**. Thank you!

Summer Office Hours: The Deephaven office closes on Friday, June 12 and reopens on Wednesday, August 12. The main voicemail will be checked periodically. New registrations take place at the District Service Center and all questions regarding Explorer's are to be directed to Minnetonka Community Education.

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 sent home the Principal's Summer Challenge calendar to with your child last 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 or download the printable copy [here](#).

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

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.

PLAN TO VOLUNTEER THIS SUMMER

ACCESS OPTIONS

bit.ly/2026SUMMERSERVICE

EARN A PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

bit.ly/MTKAPVSA

SIGN UP FOR EMAIL UPDATES THIS SUMMER

bit.ly/2026TSUPDATES



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CHARACTER STRONG

This month's theme is Reflections. See newsletter below.

SUPPORTING READING AT HOME

Encourage Comprehension

- **Discuss Stories:** Before reading, look at the book cover and predict what the story might be about. During reading, ask questions about the plot and characters. [After reading, summarize the story together.](#)
 - **Relate to Experiences:** [Connect the story to your child's own experiences to make it more relatable and memorable.](#)
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FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Dear Deephaven Families,

Thank you for trusting me to care for your amazing children. From scraped knees and tummy aches to food allergies & diabetes, I have loved helping them navigate their health challenges and watching them learn & grow along the way. I will forever cherish the hugs, the laughter, and the privilege of serving as your school nurse. Thank you for your support, collaboration, & kindness over the years. Keep hugging your kids for me!

Nurse Carol

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

Deephaven Talent Show - June 5, 7:00. The talent show for fourth and fifth grade is this Friday night at Excelsior Elementary in the auditorium. Come and see the talented kids of Deephaven!

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. Order [here](#).

DEEPHAVEN MONTHLY SEL NEWSLETTER



THEME: Reflection

A Year of Purpose! Let's take a moment to reflect on all we have learned this year.

BE KIND

- We have grown in **Respect, Empathy, and Cooperation.**
- We have learned strategies for resolving conflict.
- We have built stronger connections.

BE STRONG

- We have grown in **Responsibility, Perseverance, and Courage.**
- We have learned focus strategies and goal-setting.
- We have tried new things!

BE Well

- We have grown in **Gratitude, Honesty, and Creativity.**
- We have learned how to name our emotions.
- We have practiced emotion regulation strategies.

Wow! There were a lot of incredible learnings this year. Take a minute to ask your child about something he/she is proud about accomplishing this year or use the reflection sheets linked below.

[RSK/K-grade 2.](#)

[Grades 3-5](#)



Home Connection: Summer Kindness

Let's keep growing over the summer! How can you keep showing Kindness while school is out? Here are some ideas:

- Kindness at home: Challenge siblings to do 1 Kind act for each other each day. Small acts of Kindness go a long way and daily attention to Kindness helps form lasting habits! To help keep it going, set aside a regular time for siblings to share and celebrate what their Kind act was that day.
- Kindness toward neighbors: Get to know your neighbors or welcome new neighbors with an outdoor gathering! Invite families to bring lawn chairs and a snack to share and build community with your neighbors.
- Kindness in action: Be on the lookout for ways to show others you care. Facetime a relative who lives far away, make a card for a grandparent, or help a neighbor with a need. You could also write a note of appreciation for those around you. Any small act can make a big difference. So use your creativity and have fun.

Summer Bucket List



Create a Summer Bucket List together as a family! Let each family member add some things they want to do this summer. Decorate your bucket list together, post it in a central location, and use it as your guide to making summer memories together! Here are some ideas: Take a hike, have an outdoor game night, have a BBQ, go swimming, find the Big Dipper in the night sky, etc.