



Deephaven Elementary
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WINDS
SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept. 22	Curriculum Night, 6:30 p.m. - Grades 1&2 (parents only)
Sept. 22	PTA Meeting 7:30 pm, Media Center
Sept. 27	Dad's Night Out
Sept. 29	Curriculum Night, 6:30p.m. - Grades 3-5 (parents only)
Sept. 30	2-Hour Early Release
Oct. 5	Hearing & Vision Screening – Grades 1, 3, 5
Oct. 7	Family Pizza Party (rescheduled for this date)
Oct. 11	Mom's Night Out
Oct. 13	Grade 5 Kindness Retreat (rescheduled for this date)
Oct. 13	Conferences 3-7 p.m.
Oct. 13	School Pictures, 4-7 p.m.
Oct. 14	Conferences 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Oct. 14	School Pictures 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Curriculum Nights

Grades 1 and 2: 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22. Join us at the first PTA meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the media center on September 22.

Grades 3-5: 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 29.

Your child's teacher will provide you with more information on Curriculum Night.

Conferences

Thursday, October 13, from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - In-person conferences

Friday, October 14, from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. – In-person and Google Meet conferences

Conferences will consist of a blended model this year. The blended model includes offering in-person conferences and conferences over Google Meets. **Conference sign-up will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 28.** Our school values parent/teacher conferences and we typically have over 98% participation by parents. Conferences are an important time to connect and build the home/school partnership.

Consider the bus – Bus ridership dropped during Covid. As we return to normal, we encourage you to consider having your child ride the bus to and from school, so that we can reduce the traffic at our school.

Pick up line - Pull up tight to the car in front of you when in the pickup line.

2-Hour Early Release Friday, September 30 – School dismisses at 12:40 p.m. Friday, September 30 for staff development. Lunch will be served to all students before dismissal. Our staff will be trained in trauma informed practices for school staff on the afternoon of September 30.

Principal's Challenge – Thank you to all the students who participated in the Principal's Challenge this summer. We will have a ceremony to honor those students on Thursday, September 22 at 9:15 a.m. Parents are welcome to attend. See a list of all participants below the PTA Pulse.

Custody Arrangements/Orders for Protection – If our staff need to be aware of any custody arrangements or orders for protection for your family, please submit documentation to the office staff. **Updated documentation must be submitted each year.** You can scan and email your documents to Alexis Beckman at alexis.beckman@minnetonkaschools.org.

Olweus Bullying Prevention Program is used at Deephaven throughout the school year. Weekly lessons are taught to each of our classrooms. You can learn more about our approach to bullying prevention by reading the letter attached to this week's Winds (included below).

What Is Bullying? The definition of bullying is when someone repeatedly and on purpose says or does mean or hurtful things to another person who has a hard time defending himself or herself. Bullying can take many forms, such as hitting, verbal harassment, not letting someone be part of the group, or sending unwanted messages on a cell phone or over the Internet.

Bullying does not include single incidents that result in discipline and are resolved. There is also "friendship friction" when students are having difficulty getting along with each other and the conditions do not meet the criteria for bullying.

Deephaven uses Responsive Classroom as a way of working with students. What is Responsive Classroom? It is a student-centered, social and emotional approach to teaching and discipline. This research-based approach helps create a safe, joyful, and engaging classroom where students can learn. Learn more about Responsive Classroom by clicking the link:

<https://www.responsiveclassroom.org/about/>

NWEA Testing Schedule

Sept. 21	Kindergarten – Math
Sept. 21-22	Grades 1-3 – Reading
Sept. 22	Kindergarten – Reading

More information, including specific testing times for your child, will be shared with you by your child's teacher.

FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

Minnetonka Media Specialists know that a strong home/school partnership is important for the well-being of students as they learn to navigate information in the online world. Deephaven is a [Common](#)

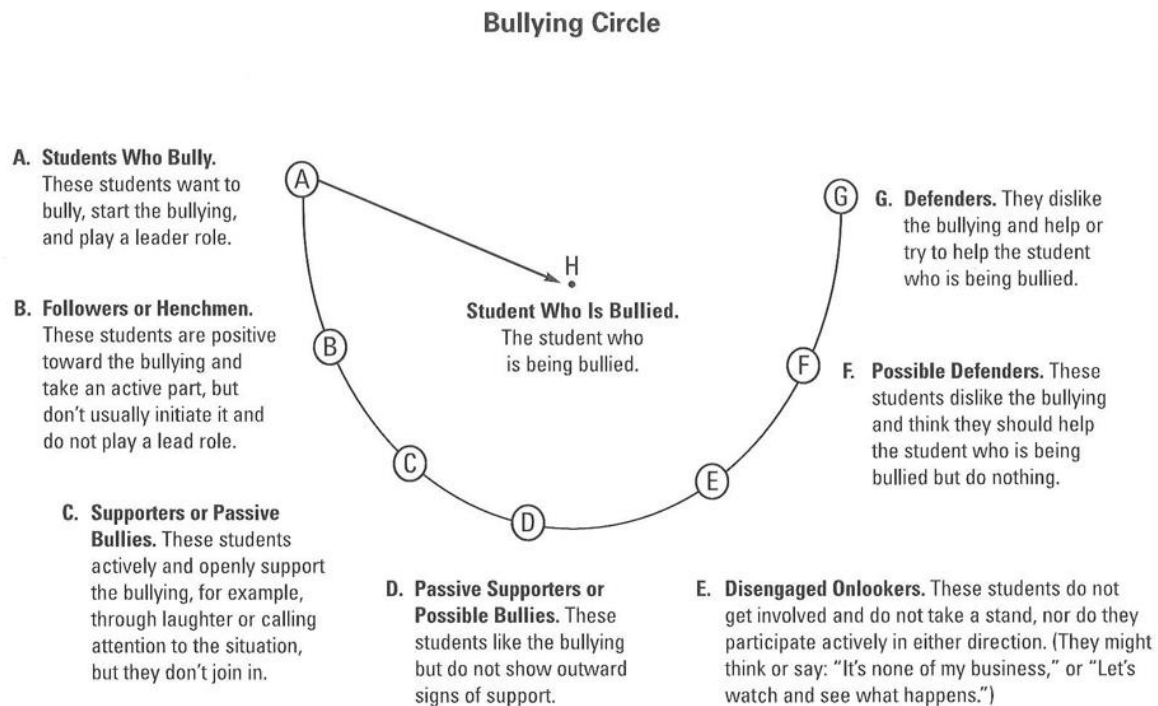
[Sense Media Certified School](#), dedicated to “helping students think critically and use technology responsibly to learn, create, and participate.” All students participate in engaging lessons focused on six key areas:

- Media Balance & Well Being
- Privacy & Security
- Digital Footprint & Identity
- Relationships & Communication
- Cyberbullying
- News & Media Literacy

Contact Media Specialist Kelli Whiteside for more information about Common Sense Media and other resources that help families create and maintain healthy digital lives. - Kelli Whiteside, Media Specialist

OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION

This week in their Olweus Classroom meetings students will be talking about the bullying circle, with the different roles involved in bullying.



The goal is for students to move closer and closer to becoming defenders of a person being bullied.

DID YOU KNOW?

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month!!

In recognition of [National Hispanic Heritage Month](#), we are excited to share daily stories about the traditions and people from the countries represented with our Deephaven community. Ask your

students about what they have learned from the information shared or the amazing Chilean dancers that visited earlier in the week.

Deephaven Assistance for Families – see flyer below

PTA PULSE

We are truly in the swing of things and can't wait to connect with you at our first PTA Meeting happening tomorrow evening at 7:30pm in the Media Center. Questions? Feel free to reach out to PTA President, Polly Madsen, any time at 617-571-3877 or madsen.polly@gmail.com and see below for

PTA Meeting (Thursday, September 22) - Bring a friend, meet a friend, make a friend! Join us tomorrow night for the first PTA Meeting of the year at 7:30pm in the Media Center. Ask questions and find out how you can get plugged in to our school community. Note: our meeting will be happening IN PERSON only. If you are not able to attend, please feel free to email Nicole Udseth, PTA Recording Secretary, with any questions, concerns or ideas you would like brought forward in our meeting. Nicole's email is nicole.udseth@gmail.com

Family Pizza Party (Friday, October 7) Don't forget to grab your [tickets for the Deephaven Pizza Party](#). Enjoy Jet's Pizza, Nothing Bundt Cakes, a DJ and raffle prizes 4:30-6:30pm. Scholarships available - contact Troy Dvorak for details. Check out the [volunteer positions](#) on Membership Toolkit and lend a hand in putting on the party!

Sponsor Thank You Our PTA would like to extend a special "Thank You" to Jerome D'Alessandro at Fazendin realtors for supporting our school's PTA this year as our Title Sponsor. Their valuable contribution to our school helps make so many things possible for our PTA! Thank you Fazendin!

Fundraise for our school... from home! See below for ways you can put your dollars to work from our school, over the course of your regular shopping activity:

Amazon Smile - Amazon has already donated over \$2,500 to our school PTA. Help us double their contribution by signing up for Amazon smile! 0.5% of your Amazon purchase dollars will automatically go to the Deephaven PTA. It's easy to sign up on your computer:

1. Go to smile.amazon.com
2. In top right corner, click on drop arrow under "Accounts and Lists"
3. Click on Amazon Smile
4. Sign up and select Deephaven Elementary PTA (Wayzata MN) as your charity
5. Go to smile.amazon.com every time you shop on amazon for the school to receive the 0.5% donation.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION – Scan your grocery receipts in the Box Tops app to earn money for Deephaven! Contact Stephanie Kwong stephanie26@gmail.com with questions.

2022 Principal's Challenge

Participation

Emma Anderson
Russell Clary
Liam Dircks
Libby Dircks
Louis Doring
Amalia Garcia
Annie Gianforte
Ellie Gianforte
Madeleine Hinz
Megan Jewett
Charlie Krejci
Amalia Kuha
Isabella Martin
Gordon Mendyka
Liam Mendyka
Addie Rogers
Lainey Steinwand
Carter Thompson
Eli Wildong
Andrew Wildung

Achievement

Ila Anheluk
Nola Anheluk
Nick Boris
Zach Boris
Morgan D'Alessandro
Ariella Grichener
Gabrielle Haase
Maxwell Haase
Tori Haase
Maksat Hamrayev
Arzuv Hamrayeva
Mathew Hoffner
Riley Hoffner
Leo Hontos
Charlotte Horner
Greg Jewett
Arlo Johnson
Gia Kolbinger
Layla Lonsbury
Sean Murphy
Carlos Paz

Achievement

Lola Peterson
Jack Plekkenpol
Harper Powell
Raegan Prall
Lucy Punch
Piper Punch
Greta Schelitzche
Nelva Schelitzche
Lucy Schwein
George Sigfrinius
Carson Swensen
Brennan Wright

Trifecta

Darya Adorskaya
Coen Anderson
Kelton Anderson
Audra Baker
Olle Baker
Maxfield Ballin
Damian Blahosky
Finnian Blahosky
Elliot Brisse
Henry Brodbeck
Jack Brodbeck
Teddy Brodbeck
Bode Bryant
Brooklyn Bryant
Ashley Burns
Quinton Busch
Emmett Chou
Everett Dickens
Ainsley Egan
Clara Fazendin
Jackson Gaard
Anna Griffiths
Jared Griffiths
Magdalene Griffiths
Clara Gustafson
Victoria Halvorson
Christopher Hankins
Donovan Heltner
Dylan Heltner
Henry Hillard
Elke Hittle

Trifecta

Marin Hopfenspirger
Quinn Hopfenspirger
Hadley Hunstad
Olivia Hunstad
Claire Jakubowski
Isaac Jakubowski
Liesel Koenig
Sofia Kukowski-Gonzalez
Olivia Lane
Isaac Lundberg
Maddox Lundberg
Harry Madsen
Alex Maiz
Finn Mccoy
Gray Mercer
Thatcher Miles
Nastasha Mohamed
Yasin Mohamed
Alex Mork
Polly Mower
Charlotte Novak
Frankie Novak
Mia Peterson
Jackson Popehn
Connor Rado
Chloe Rettinger
Emma Rettinger
Lucas Reutiman
Colt Rockman
Sally Rogers
Beckett Rouse
Declan Rouse
Grace Saba
Evan Schwartz
Ryan Skarohlid
Charlie Sutter
Tanner Thompson
Ellie Udseth
Isabel Valley
Lynn Wallin
Marin Whiting
Claire Whitney
Cooper Whitney
Emily Woodburn

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our school cares about the safety and well-being of our students. We want to make sure our school is a good place for students to learn. To do this, we are using a program called the *Olweus Bullying Prevention Program*.

What Is the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program?

The *Olweus Bullying Prevention Program (OBPP)* prevents or reduces bullying in elementary, middle, and junior high schools (with students ages five to fifteen). *OBPP* is not a curriculum, but a program that deals with bullying at the schoolwide, classroom, individual, and community levels. The goals of *OBPP* are to reduce bullying problems and prevent new bullying problems from happening. The program also works to make relationships better among students. The program is for all students, not just those who are being bullied or who are bullying others.

What Is Bullying?

Bullying is when someone repeatedly and on purpose says or does mean or hurtful things to another person who has a hard time defending himself or herself. Bullying can take many forms, such as hitting, verbal harassment, not letting someone be part of the group, or sending unwanted messages on a cell phone or over the Internet.

Parents and guardians play a key role in this program. Your child has been asked to tell an adult at school and at home if he or she is bullied or sees bullying happening at school. It will be very important that you take any bullying seriously and tell our school staff. Our school staff members are trained to deal with bullying situations when we are told about them.

Here are some ways you can begin talking about bullying with your child:

- I'm interested in your thoughts and feelings about bullying. What does the word "bullying" mean to you?
- Do you ever see students at your school being bullied by other students? How does it make you feel?
- What do you usually do when you see bullying going on?
- Have you ever tried to help someone who was being bullied? What happened? What do you think you can do if it happens again?
- Would you feel like a "tattletale" if you told an adult that someone was bullying?
- Have you ever called another person names? Do you think that is bullying? Talk more about that.
- Do you or your friends ever leave other students out of activities? (Talk more about this type of bullying.)
- Is your school doing special things to try to prevent bullying? If so, tell me about your school's rules and programs against bullying.

All students will follow these four anti-bullying rules:

1. We will not bully others.
2. We will try to help students who are bullied.
3. We will try to include students who are left out.
4. If we know that somebody is being bullied, we will tell an adult at school and an adult at home.

Please remember bullying affects everyone at school, because it affects the entire school climate. Your child might not be directly involved in bullying but still might be afraid of certain students or areas of the school where bullying takes place. Your child is probably aware of bullying problems or may have seen bullying happen. In that case, he or she is involved either by supporting the bullying or by not supporting it, either by taking action to stop it or by doing nothing about it. Children who are not directly involved have a key role to play in stopping and preventing bullying. It is for this reason that the *Olweus Bullying Prevention Program* is a school wide program.

Thank you,

Bryan McGinley
Principal

ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR DEEPHAVEN FAMILIES

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| -School supplies | -backpack |
| -snacks | -gym shoes |
| -winter wear | -clothing |
| -assistance paying for an after-school class | -ipad insurance |

FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE ITEMS OR OTHER NEEDS CONTACT:

Jessica Thull, School Social Worker 952-401-5684 jessica.thull@minnetonkaschools.org

Troy Dvorak, School Counselor 952-401-6908 troy.dvorak@minnetonkaschools.org

For grocery assistance contact:

ICA Food shelf www.icafoodshelf.org 952-938-0729

For Minnetonka Learn to Swim scholarship contact:

Dennis Dadashev 952-401-5291

dennis.dadashev@minnetonkaschools.org

For Community Education Scholarship (recreation and sports):

Minnetonkacommunityed.org 952-401-6801

community.ed@minnetonkaschools.org (email)

For any of the following items, contact:

Resource West www.resourcewest.org

(952) 933-3860

- Housing
- Child Care
- Food
- Employment
- Education
- Transportation
- Navigating Hennepin County Services
- Health Insurance
- Expungement
- Legal Aid
- Immigration Support
- Financial Services
- Tax Prep