

WAITE PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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Principal's Corner

Greetings Waite Park Families,

School request for the 2018-2019 school year

The online school request site is now open. Requests are due by February 17th!

For the 2018-19 school year, please use the school request site to request:

- A school for an incoming kindergartner
- A new school for a current K-11th grade student
- A middle school (only if your 5th grader wants to request a school other than the middle school pathway)
- A high school for all incoming 9th graders

The site is easy to use and requires your address with zip code to learn more about your school options.

For elementary and middle school requests please visit: <http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>

For high school requests please visit:

<http://highschoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>

Waite Park Site Council

We will have the Site Council meeting on Monday, February 26th from 4:00-5:00 pm. We will discuss next year's budget and programming. All are welcome to attend.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, February 15th from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm and on Friday, February 16th from 8:00 am to 3:45 pm. You will be able to schedule conferences on-line again for this conference. Please be looking for more information from your child's teacher.

YUM POWER

We started the Yum Power fitness challenge this week with an exciting Try for 5 Veggie Taste Testing. The Yum Power Team visited each classroom and encouraged students and teacher to try each veggie and vote for their favorite. Make sure to ask your child which veggie they enjoyed the most.



This 3-week challenge inspires kids to PowerUp with fruits, veggies and physical activity in a fun and exciting way! During this time your child will track (at school) the fruits and veggies they eat each day.

By participating in the PowerUp School Challenge, our school will earn a **Cash Prize** to be used for wellness supplies, materials or equipment that help promote better eating and physical activity at our school.

You will also receive a **PowerUp Family Magazine** full of fun activities and recipes to use to PowerUp your whole family at home.

Sincerely,

Rochelle McGinness
Principal

No School reminder

January 15- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 25- Teacher Professional Development Day
January 26 - Teacher Record Keeping Day

After-school Activities

Session II After-school session begins
Tuesday, January 16th.

PTA NEWS

Family Dance Night / Book Swap

Join us for our annual Family Dance Night and Book Swap - Friday, February 2nd from 6:30 to 8pm.

Shake your winter blahs away in the gym! Embarrass your kids with your best dance moves! While you're there, stop downstairs in the hallway by the cafeteria to grab some fresh reading material to last your kids the rest of the winter.

Donations of used books will be collected in classrooms the weeks of January 22nd and January 29th and will be sorted by reading level/age for your browsing convenience. Please note this is not an exchange program - you can bring books home even without donating.

Volunteers are needed to help sort books - if you're able to help, please contact Elaine Tucker (elainybug@gmail.com) or April Holen (aprildewing@hotmail.com).



Spring Social and Auction

Save the date for the Spring Social and Auction, coming Saturday, April 28th! Discount tickets will be sold at the Family Dance Night/Book Swap event.

More details to come in the months ahead, but as we enter the planning stages, we could use your help. If you have skills and/or interest in the areas of decorating, PR, food/beverage, we need you! If you're interested, please join us at our next regularly scheduled meeting, February 8th from 6 to 7:30pm.



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Want to know all there is to know about what's happening with the Waite Park PTA? See news, get reminders about meetings, volunteer to help with events and more. Search for us: "Waite Park PTA".

Our next PTA meetings will be Thursday, January 11th and February 8th from 6pm to 7:30pm.
Childcare is always provided, as are light refreshments.
We'd love to see you there. Join us!