
WELLSTONE INTERNATIONAL NEWSLETTER



Message from the Principal

What a great start to 2016-2017! At Wellstone, we are all so happy that students have chosen to come to Wellstone. We have 50 students who are almost ready to graduate in the Spring-this is more than any other year! Even though Spring is far away, I cannot wait to see all the graduates and celebrate their accomplishments. These past few weeks, I have spoken to many former graduates who are enrolled in college, and they are off to a great start. Many Wellstone students are new this year, so make sure to say hi and learn about each other. I love the school and the students, and I am here to help you achieve your goals. If you have not seen my office, come find me and say hi! As we start this year, be focused on your goals in school, ask for help from any staff member, and participate in the many opportunities at Wellstone. Welcome to Wellstone, 2016-2017! Let's make it a great year! IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE A WELLSTONE LION!

Media Center

Wellstone Media Center is ready for a great year serving our students. Community Education tutors are available Monday through Thursday 3 to 5 PM to help students with their home work. Friday after school there is English conversation. Students are welcome before or after school to check out books, find a study space or do research. The library has books in many languages, graphic novels and an ever growing fiction and nonfiction collection. We are always looking for book recommendations. If you want a Hennepin County Library card we can guide you through an online application process in the computer cove to have a card sent to you. A new media center feature will be a Maker Space. Mr. Molin has secured a grant for the school to purchase tools and supplies to make this space an active learning area. Later this year this will be a place students can experiment with using tools to creatively make projects. Also a digital studio is available to make videos, work on web pages, etc. Besides these resources in the media center we offer many internet resources. Here is a listing of a few of them. Stop by the media center for a full listing with usernames and passwords to access these important resources at home.



Like us on Facebook

Please go on to the official Wellstone International High School Facebook page and [click Like and Follow](#)

We will be posting important information for you



College & Career Center

The AchieveMpls Career & College Center (CCC) is open before and after school from 8:00-4:00pm, our CCC Coordinator at Wellstone is Chris Stoltenberg, stop by room B100 to assist with:

- College Research
- Career Research
- Application Support
- Scholarships
- Financial Aid Support - FAFSA and MN Dream Act

Graduating Seniors: We will meet every Thursday during Advisory in the Auditorium.

Upcoming Career and College Events

Empower Me College Tour Minneapolis: Tuesday, September 27, 2016 8:30am-2:30pm at the Minneapolis Convention Center

Register Online at http://empowermetour.org/redesign/tour_registration/

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Student Council



Wellstone International High School's Student Council is a group of students committed to building community by helping students, teachers, and families. We organize after school activities, we organize school assemblies, we organize food drives, and that's not all we do! Student Council members give their time to help others. All students can lead; those who lead through difficult times should consider serving on Wellstone's Student Council.

Students can talk to Ms. Moreno (Room A223) or Mr. H (Room A222) about joining Student Council.

Community Education’s After-School Programs:

Please take a look at the exciting opportunities that Wellstone Students can participate in after-school! There is something for everyone and everyday during the week. If you have any questions or concerns please see Ms. Gloria Cazanacli in room B171, up in the Media Center.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Academic Tutoring and Newcomer Academy Program 3-5pm Media Center Sept.6 to Jan.26 Tutor: Rachel Motachwa , Nathaly Carchi, An Nguyen 4-5	Academic Tutoring and Newcomer Academy Program 3-5pm Media Center Sept.6 to Jan.26 Tutors: Dennis West & Casey Nyaribo, An Nguyen 4-5	Academic Tutoring and Newcomer Academy Program 3-5pm Media Center Sept.6 to Jan.26 Tutor: Dennis West & Abdulahi Abdiaziz 3-4, An Nguyen 4-5	Academic Tutoring and Newcomer Academy Program 3-5pm Media Center Sept.6 to Jan.26 Tutor: Rachel Motachwa/ Nathaly Carchi	English Conversation Advanced Students 3-5pm Media Center Sept.6 to Jan.26 Facilitator: Casey Nyaribo Abdulahi Abdiaziz 3-4, An Nguyen 4-5
Computer Basics 3-4pm B-121 Sept 26 to Jan. 26 Instructor: Nathaly Carchi	Beginners ELL Tutoring 3:15-4:45pm Room: B123 Sept. 26 to Jan. 26 Instructor: Briana MacPhee	Computer Basics: Typing 3-4pm B-121 Sept 26 to Jan. 26 Instructor: Nathaly Carchi	Beginners ELL Tutoring 3:15-4:45pm Room: B123 Sept. 26 to Jan. 26 Instructor: Briana MacPhee	Muslim Student Association (MSA)/ Somali Student Association (SSA) 3:30 to 4:30pm Room: A14 Sept. 30 to Dec. 16 Facilitator: Abdirahman
Jóvenes Profesionales/ Young Professionals 3:15- 4:30pm Room: B104 Sept 26-Jan.26 Organization: La Oportunidad	Youth Power 3:30 to 5pm Room: TBD Sept.27 – Nov.22 Facilitator: Margretta Getaweh	Student Council 3:15-4:45pm Room: A222 Sept 26-Jan.26 Facilitator: John Hotaling/ Josephine Moreno	Youth Power 3:30 to 5pm Room: TBD Sept.27 – Nov.22 Facilitator: Margretta Getaweh	Engineering Club 3:15-4:15pm Media Center Sept 26-Jan.26 Instructor: Erick Linn Molin
Soccer Activities Teachers and Students 3:15 to 4:15pm Gym/ outside Oct. 3 to Jan 26 Supervisor: Abdirahman Ali	Weightlifting – Informal 3-4pm Room: Shared Room Oct.4 to Dec.15 Supervisor: Michael Erickson	Oromo: Language and Culture 3-5 Room: TBD Oct. 14 to Dec.14 Instructor: Tahir Hassan	Weightlifting – Informal 3-4pm Room: Shared Room Oct.4 to Dec.15 Supervisor: Michael Erickson	Latino Heritage Club 3-5pm Room: TBD Sept. 26-Jan. 26 Facilitator: Nataly Carchi

Support the Wellstone Lions Soccer Teams

Boys Soccer Team

Tuesday, September 20th, Patrick Henry at Lincoln Field, At 5:30pm
 Thursday, September 22nd, @Lincoln International, at 4pm
 Friday, September 23rd, @St. Paul Academy, TBA
 Tuesday, September 27th, @ Southwest High School, 7:00pm
 Thursday, September 29th, Metro Prep at Lincoln Field, at 4pm
 Wednesday, October 5th, Roosevelt at Lincoln Field, at 5:30pm
 Thursday, October 6th, @Minnehaha Academy, TBA
 Friday, October 7th, @Big Lake High School, TBA

Girls Soccer Team

Monday, September 19th, @ Washburn High School, 5:00pm
 Tuesday, September 20th, Patrick Henry at Lincoln Field, 3:30pm
 Wednesday, September 21st, @ Richfield High School, 7pm
 Tuesday, September 27th, Lincoln International at Lincoln Field, 4pm
 Wednesday, October 5th, Roosevelt High School at Lincoln Field, 3:30pm
 Thursday, October 6th, @ Lincoln International, 4pm
 Monday, October 10th, Charter Stars @ Lincoln Field, 4:30pm

Learn more about Minneapolis Public Schools' 2016 referendum

On Nov. 8, Minneapolis voters will be asked to renew the school district's current operating referendum authorization, which expires after the 2016-17 school year. If passed, funding would help Minneapolis Public Schools manage class sizes and provide supportive services and activities for students. The request would authorize the referendum for nine years and be annually adjusted for inflation. Property taxes are not projected to increase if the referendum renewal passes.

Vote

7 a.m. to 8 p.m Nov. 8.

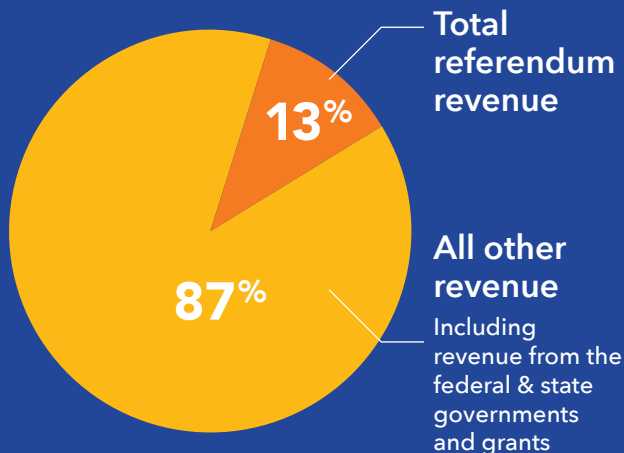
To locate or polling place or get information about absentee voting or voter registration, visit vote.minneapolismn.gov.

What is an operating referendum?

Operating referendum questions ask voters to authorize a specific amount of funding per pupil that comes from property taxes to fund the operations of school districts. Nearly all school districts in Minnesota receive referendum revenue. For MPS, the expiring amount is \$1,604.31 per pupil. For the 2016-17 school year, the total referendum revenue, including the Board approved "Local Optional Revenue" of \$424 per pupil, is approximately \$74 million. This represents about 13 percent of the operating budget.

Minneapolis Public Schools is committed to using its resources in the most effective way to impact student achievement.

Budgets are posted online so community members can see how funds are used.



*Based on the 2016-17 budget

We use referendum funds to directly impact student achievement.

In order to ensure the referendum dollars have the greatest impact on students, the funding would be used to pay for:

- The positions of teachers, counselors, social workers, behavioral or academic support staff;
- Opportunities for students such as tutoring, leadership development, and mentoring programs, after-school activities; and/or;
- Professional development and curriculum that supports and integrates academic and social and emotional learning.

In the 2016-17 budget, operating referendum revenue provides funding for:

591 classroom teachers to manage class sizes across the district

82 academic and behavioral specialists

81 teachers and support staff for English Learners

Math, science, and early literacy curriculum and materials

Classroom technology

If the referendum fails, Minneapolis Public Schools will have to make difficult decisions about how to operate the district without a substantial portion of the budget. This may change the current services and opportunities we provide students and families, including class sizes.

More resources and information are available at www.mpls.k12.mn.us/referendum2016, including the official ballot language, property tax information and links to district budgets.

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