

# FAMILY TIMES

## JENNY LIND SCHOOL

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# WELCOME BACK

Welcome to the 2016-17 school year! I am so excited to have been named as your new principal. Nothing is more important to me, in this work, than to make an impact on young people and help them to become life-long learners. I've spent 17 years in Minneapolis Public Schools, as a math teacher and administrator, working to achieve that very outcome. I'd like to thank Principal Jackie Raye for her commitment to Jenny Lind these past two years. She has this school on the right track and I only hope to continue the upward momentum she has started. I am excited to partner with Assistant Principal Elizabeth Corris in the leadership of Jenny Lind this year. I am just as excited to partner with you the families to ensure our students have the love and support they need to blossom into everything they were meant to be. It's going to be a great year!



Delon Smith  
Principal



Elizabeth Corris  
Assistant Principal

Remember our  
school hours

**8:35 AM to 3:05 PM**

After School and  
Community  
Education Classes  
begin  
October 10



## PTO NEWS *JENNY LIND ALL STAR PARENTS PTO*



We need your  
name here!

A BIG THANK YOU to all the volunteers who helped with the open house! It is the start of a new school year and we would love to have you join our PTO. The PTO will have our next meeting on **Thursday, September 8, at 8:45 A.M.**, in the conference room. We will be electing new officers. **WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION.** In the past our PTO has provided storytellers, speakers, dance costumes, and funds for special events.

We want to do more, but with the participation of only *four* parents it is difficult. Share your input on things you might like to see happening at Jenny Lind during the 2015-2016 school year. Come and meet other parents. **PLEASE** join us, everyone is welcome. **RSVP to Loretta Minet at 612-668-2025.**

## UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION

Uniform distribution day will be **Thursday, September 15th**. If you have not sent in your permission slip, please send it ASAP! The Assistance League will be providing three FREE uniforms to each student.

## PICTURE DAY



Friday, September 23rd is picture day. Students are not required to wear uniforms on picture day. Picture Day order forms will be sent home in backpacks soon.

## AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES (ALC)

After school enrichment activities and community education classes will resume on October 10. Registration forms will be sent home in backpacks. If you have any questions, please call



## NURSES NOTES

My name is **Sandy Lynch**. I am returning for my third year as your Licensed School Nurse (LSN) at Jenny Lind. I am very excited to begin a healthy new school year with our Jenny Lind students! Please feel free to call me at any time if you have questions, concerns or updates regarding your child's health care needs. As a Licensed School Nurse, I provide nursing services for both Jenny Lind and Olson Middle School. I am available in the Jenny Lind Health Office every Thursday and Friday, and every other Wednesday. I can be reached anytime Monday through Friday via my cell phone: **612-231-5215**. My hours are 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM. If you are calling after 3:00 PM, you may leave a message and I will return your call the following school day.

**Gaynell Wright** is our Health Services Assistant (HSA) at Jenny Lind and is available in the Health Office Monday through Friday. Gaynell has several years of experience as an HSA providing medication administration and first aid for many of the bumps, bruises and illnesses our students may experience throughout the school day. The Health Office can be reached at **612-668-2033**.

Effective communication between the Health Office and parents is extremely important in order to help your child in the event of an illness or injury. You may leave a message any time (24/7) to update the Health Office with any information we need to be aware of regarding your child. We will return your call as soon as possible. We are better able to care for your child if we have the specific information available to us. Please make sure the home phone, work and cell numbers on file are the most recent and up to date. Call the main office if any changes are made during the school year.

## DAVANNI'S PIZZA NIGHT



Bring the family out to Davanni's for dinner and help support Jenny Lind. Just clip the coupon below and hand it in when you order. Extra coupons are available in the office.

# DAVANNI'S®

## PIZZA & HOT HOAGIES

Shop location: **Brooklyn Center (5937 Summit Drive, Brooklyn Center)**

"Fundraiser Night" for Jenny Lind School

Bring this ticket in with you and present it when ordering on **Tuesday, September 27, 2016** between **4:00 PM - 7 PM**

**And 20% of your total order will be donated to Jenny Lind!**

\$ Amount of order: \_\_\_\_\_ Order number \_\_\_\_\_

\* Not good on delivered orders. Customers may call ahead order in advance and present ticket on arrival.

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### ***Important Phone Numbers***

**Main Office**  
612-668-2020

**Health/Attendance**  
612-668-2033

**Lunchroom**  
612-668-2038

**Community Education**  
612-668-2044

**Family Liaison**  
612-668-2025  
E-mail: [loretta.minet@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:loretta.minet@mpls.k12.mn.us)

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### **Upcoming Dates**

*September 5- Labor Day, NO SCHOOL*

*September 8 - PTO meeting*

*September 15 - Uniform Distribution Day*

*September 23 - Picture Day*

*September 28 - ALC starts*

*September 27 - Davanni's Pizza Night*

**We're on the web!**

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

## **TUTORS WANTED**

### **JENNY LIND ELEMENTARY RECRUITING TUTORS AFTER BEING NAMED MINNESOTA READING SITE FOR 2016-2017**

*Paid tutors are trained to boost children's literacy and math skills, close the achievement gap.*

Jenny Lind Elementary School has been named a Minnesota Reading Corps and Math Corps site for 2015. As a result, the school will be recruiting six paid tutors for the 2016-2017 school year.

Minnesota Reading Corps is a statewide, research-based initiative to help every Minnesota student become a successful reader by the end of third grade. Jenny Lind Elementary School is one of approximately 700 sites awarded this status throughout the state of Minnesota.

Jenny Lind Elementary School Internal Coach Marlys Svobodny said, "Staff look at Reading Corps members as professionals involved in important data-based decisions at Jenny Lind. The teachers see results of members' hard work in student performance."

According to data from 2013 state standardized tests, one in three Minnesota third graders does not read at grade level, and 40 percent of Minnesota 8th graders do not demonstrate proficiency in math. Executive Director at Minnesota Reading Corps and Math Corps Sheila Piippo explained that schools are turning to Minnesota Reading Corps and Math Corps to help struggling students who would otherwise not receive additional support. "We are seeing real results and are encouraged that students who previously were not on track to succeed are now catching up to their peers."

Piippo encourages anyone interested in learning more about Minnesota Reading or Math Corps, or to apply to serve as a tutor, to visit [www.MinnesotaMathCorps.org](http://www.MinnesotaMathCorps.org), or contact 866-859-2825.

