



Jenny Lind Elementary School



5025 Bryant Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55430

MARCH 2023

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- Principal:** Pao Vue, 612-668-2020
- Asst. Principal:** Mercedes Walker, 612-668-2020
- School Secretary:** Lee Hibbard, 612-668-2023
- Attendance/Health Office:** 612-668-2033
- Parent Liaison:** Tera-Nay Lee, 612-668-2027
- Transportation:** Tera-Nay Lee, 612-668-2027
- After School:** Gail Jackson: 612-668-2044
- MPS Transportation:** 612-668-2300

There will be an opportunity for participants to present and their parents will be invited to watch! Also coming soon will be a 2023-24 budget recap being shared with families. It's hard to believe, but Spring Break is only a few short weeks away. Here's hoping we are done with all this snow by then!

Be well and see you soon!

Mr. Vue and Ms. Walker

SAVE THE DATE

- March 14th:** Spring Picture Day
- March 14th/15th:** Conferences 2:30-5:30
- March 31st:** NO SCHOOL-Record Keeping
- April 3rd-7th:** NO SCHOOL-Spring Break
- April 12th:** Site Council 5pm

Social Worker Update

With the start of a new semester it is also a good time to remember that learning starts at 7:30am every day. It is important for your child to be at school on time to get the most out of their time with us! Please let us know if there is anything we can do to support you!

Call, text or email us and we will try to respond as quickly as possible. If your question or concern is urgent, please state in your message to receive a priority return phone call.

Travis Hayes – Pre-K – 2nd grade – 612-467-9720

Nick Cross – 3rd – 5th grade – 612-351-2206

Principals' Corner

March 2023
Happy Women's History Month, Lind Family!
We had several events that we had to reschedule due to our snow days and hope to see you there! On 4/14/23 Student Council will be hosting their 2nd annual "Black History Month Career Fair" that has been rebranded as the Definitely Diverse Career Fair and we are hoping to have a huge turn out! Please sign up by filling out this Google

Form: <https://forms.gle/yzDJtzsycARNBL3R9>

Definitely

Thank you so our Definitely 4/14/23 from let us know w forms.gle

School Counselor News

This month we have been talking about what Black History Month means to each student. It is interesting to learn from JL students who they admire or find a connection. For example, we have been reading about trailblazers such as Misty Copeland and Jackie Robinson. The intentional inclusion of race has deepened our discussions. Appreciating differences such as race and culture are essential for student development and effective school counseling.

Keep your eye out for more information regarding the African American Icon projects that many students worked on last month!



Jenny Lind Elementary School

5025 Bryant Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55430



MARCH 2023

This learning builds social/emotional resilience, academic achievement, and career and college readiness. Also, students have been interested in learning more about Historical Black Colleges and Universities, HBCUs, which has been fun!



Health Office Update

CLASSROOM NEWS

Hi-5

For the month of March, the High 5 theme is growing up healthy. We will practice the following academic concepts:

Literacy:

- Repeated Read-Aloud
- Theme & Book Vocabulary
- Concepts of Print
- Journal Writing
- Letter Names & Letter Sounds
- Rhyming
- Alliteration

Math:

- Counting, 0-50
- Number Recognition and Writing
- Patterns
- Opposites
- One-One Correspondence
- Subitizing
- Shapes (3D)
- Comparing, flipping, and rotating

Science:

- Daily Weather
- Seasons (Winter)
- Where does food come from?

-What do plants and animals need to live?

SEL:

- Fair Ways to Play
- Feeling Identification
- Social Problem-Solving
- Self-Regulation

1st grade

The 1st graders are visiting the Children's Theater to see the play Corduroy. In literacy we are reading stories that have a lesson. The essential question is, "How do we learn from mistakes?" In math we learning about 3D shapes and their attributes. In SEL we are learning about how to solve problems on the playground and in the classroom? We look forward to seeing you at parent conferences!

2nd grade

This month is Read Across America month. Please record any books students are reading at home on our reading log and return it by March 29th. Math homework is sent home every Monday and due the following Friday. We will be working on adding and subtracting between 0-1,000 this month. We will be focusing on nonfiction text structure in literacy. Please reach out to your student's teacher if you'd like to be a guest reader for the month of March.

MUSIC

In the music room, High 5, Kindergarten, and 1st grade students are studying the basics of music by playing singing games, dancing, and keeping the beat on simple instruments like the tambourine. 4th and 5th grade students are continuing to study songs with chords by learning about local musicians such as Prince and his song "Starfish and Coffee"



Jenny Lind Elementary School

5025 Bryant Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55430



MARCH 2023

and playing chords cooperatively as a class with fun instruments called Boomwhackers. 5th grade band students are making great progress with students showing great leadership skills as they work together in groups to complete the songs for our spring concert.

ELL

Due to the snow days and the district technical difficulties, we still have one more week of ACCESS testing. I am so proud of the EL students, they are here on time, they have their Chromebooks charged, and they are trying their hardest. They have been a dream to work with! Once we are done with testing, the third through fifth grade students will be working on parts of speech; identifying nouns, verbs and adjectives in sentences, with the goal of writing a descriptive paragraph. The kindergarten through second grade students will continue to learn letter names, sounds and sight words, with a goal of reading and writing complete sentences. We have some new English learners here at Jenny Lind so our bilingual students are getting an opportunity to communicate in their home languages at school, which is always fun to see!

After School

Students are expected to be in attendance each day of afterschool (M/W) programming. Students will be removed from programming if they have missed five or more days.

Behavior Policy

In order to promote a safe and engaging environment, Community Education, Youth Enrichment, a program of Minneapolis Public Schools, conforms to the established behavior policies of the school site and the Minneapolis Public Schools Behavior Standards and Code of Conduct (P5200). If an incident does occur, Community Education staff will notify and work with families to develop reasonable next steps for the safety of all students and staff. This may include suspension or removal from the program. If a student is suspended from the school day, it is also a suspension from Community Education Youth Enrichment.

All students are given three chances, but incidents or behaviors may be deemed serious enough to immediately face 2nd or 3rd referral consequences.

1st referral: We will speak to students and family will be contacted.

2nd referral: We will speak to student, family will be contacted, staff will determine appropriate consequence.

3rd referral: They will be removed from the program or bus depending on the reason for referrals.

Gail

Jackson | gail.jackson@mpls.k12.mn.us | Youth & Adult Program Coordinator
Jenny Lind | Community Education Youth & Adult Programs
p: 612-668-2044
<http://commmed.mpls.k12.mn.us/>



Picture Day Date: Tuesday, March 14

Picture Day ID: EVT37HGJM

Picture Day is coming! Lifetouch School Photography, known for capturing school pictures from K-12 nationwide, will take our school photos this year. For more information about Picture Day, check out the flyer provided or visit: <https://schools.lifetouch.com/for-your-families/>.

To order pictures, use this ID: **EVT37HGJM**