

# DaVinci Connection

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## Dear Lee,

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## (K-3) Science Fair this Thursday!

The grades K - 3 Science Fair is to be held on Thursday, February 5. The student projects will be displayed in the classrooms and will be open for viewing from 3:15 - 4:15 on Thursday afternoon. We would like to invite parents to come in and take a look at all of the projects that students have worked hard to put together.

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## School Board Annual Meeting

Our School Board will be holding the Annual Board Meeting on Monday February 16 at 6:00 pm. We encourage all stakeholders to attend this important meeting where the board and administrative staff will review how the school has performed against established goals and objectives over the last twelve months.

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## School Links

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## Lots of Basketball!

This weekend is a great time to see our basketball teams in action. All six teams are involved in tournaments on Saturday, February 7. The places and times are:

4th grade boys - Hylander Center (8:00, 10:00, 12:00)  
5th grade girls (red) - Irondale High School (9:00, 11:00, 1:00)  
5th grade girls (white) - Immaculate Conception School (12:05)  
6th grade boys - Cooper High School (3:00, 6:00, 8:00)  
7th grade girls - Hylander Center (9:00, 11:00, 1:00)  
8th grade boys - Osseo High School (8:00, 10:00, 2:00)

## Important Dates

2/5 - Science Fair (K-3)

2/11 - Facilities  
Committee, 4:30 pm

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The teams love to have fans come and cheer them on, so head on out to a game or two this weekend!

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2/11 - Wrestling Banquet,  
5:30 pm

2/16 - Annual  
Meeting/Board Meeting,  
6:00 pm

2/17 - Enrollment Lottery,  
5:00 pm

2/18 - End of Trimester 2

2/19 & 2/20 - No  
School/Staff Days

2/23 - 2/27 - No School

## Young Rembrandts Star Artist

Lyla B. in third grade has been named the newest Young Rembrandts Star Artist. Her artwork can be seen on their [website](#).

Congratulations on this exciting award!



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**PLAY IT  
FORWARD**

Classical Minnesota Public Radio wants to keep music education strong in Minnesota. That's why there's Play It Forward, the statewide musical instrument drive organized by Classical MPR in partnership with the Minnesota Music Educators Association (MMEA). We're encouraging people across Minnesota to donate clean, gently used and playable instruments to Play It Forward. The donations will be given to school music programs in need of instruments, especially as a help for kids who can't otherwise afford them.

Donate your once-loved but no-longer-used musical instruments. Breathe fresh life into once-loved instruments by donating them to Play It Forward, which will operate year-round through a partnership with Instruments in the Cloud.

To read more about Play It Forward, watch a video or donate an instrument, please visit [Minnesota.publicradio.org](https://www.minnesotapublicradio.org). Additional questions can be directed to [Mr. Hebert](#), the Band/Orchestra teacher.

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# Winter Band & Orchestra Concert

(Ms. Moffatt)







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## Planning for College? Check Out these Upcoming Classes!

Classes are being offered through South Washington County Community Education at Cottage Grove Middle School on Saturday, April 11, 2015.

(click class title for registration information and sign up)

### **Crazy Clever Ways to Pay for College - Starting in Middle School**

Applying for federal financial aid and scholarships - that's just the beginning! Did you know that there are 28 other things you can do to significantly reduce the amount you will pay for your child's college education during the college years? Use every strategy possible to help your child graduate as near to debt free as possible. This class was designed with the help of a certified financial planner, a lawyer, and a private college admissions officer, and is a comprehensive look at clever, creative ways to pay for college. Other parents of high schoolers have called this class "amazing" and "incredibly helpful." Fee is \$39 per person and just \$10 more for each additional family member.

### **How to Create Brilliant College & Scholarship Essays**

Learn how top applicants use a combination of well-reasoned logic and vividly written stories to create powerful college admission and scholarship application essays. Discover a clever organizational structure that makes room for all of your greatest accomplishments without ever sounding scattered, disorganized, or disjointed. Other students have called this class "amazing" and "revolutionary." This class is also suitable for applicants to law, medical, business, and graduate school. Fee is \$39 per person and just \$10 more for each additional family member.

Presenter: Jeannie Burlowski, a nationally recognized speaker, consultant, and writer on the subjects of brilliance in college, debt-free college completion, strategic career planning for high school and college students, and admission to highly competitive law, medical, business, and graduate schools.

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## **Emergency & Attendance Alerts via**



**SCHOOLMESSENGER®**

To obtain information regarding DaVinci Academy's emergency messaging system, please click [here](#). This is the most effective way to receive important emergency messages from our school. For now, we are reserving the SchoolMessenger communication system for these two needs: a) emergency/immediate alerts, and b) attendance alerts.

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## **PTO News**

See the most recent [PTO newsletter](#) for information.

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