

JUNE

- 3 - Track & Field Day, Gr. 5 & 6
Gr. 6, 10-11:30 a.m.
Gr. 5, 1:30-3 p.m.
Gr. 6 Commemoration, 1:30 p.m. (gym)
- 4 - Gr. 1 field trip, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Gr. 6 to Valley Fair, 9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- 5 - Last day for students, 12:50 p.m. release



FROM ALL OF THE FERNBROOK STAFF TO ALL OUR FERNBROOK FAMILIES... WE WISH YOU A WONDERFUL, REFRESHING SUMMER!

SEE YOU AT OPEN HOUSE!

***Wednesday,
September 2, 2009
4-6 p.m.***

SCHOOL STARTS ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

This document is available in alternate formats upon a 72-hour request. Please contact Dean Olson at 763-391-7191/7250 (TTY) to make your request. Examples of alternate formats may include: large print, Braille, audio cassette, etc.]

WWW.Wendy's Words of Welcome

From: Wendy Biallas, Principal



By Brahima Ann

Summer is here and I can't believe the year at Fernbrook is almost over. It does seem like yesterday that we were opening the doors to students and families excited for a new school year. It won't be long and September will be here again!

I want to thank all of you for a very successful school year. Our Fernbrook students are great! It has been a joy to work with each student, family and staff member this year. It is with your help that we are successful in meeting the needs of all students.

I want to thank the staff members that will be leaving us and moving to other positions. They have provided encouragement, caring and academic challenge to our students this year and they will be truly missed. Please join me in wishing well Bruce Richards, Gary Bowman, Gaeli Iverson, Sheila Schouviller, Laura Williams, Bob Hainlen and Mike Odell.

We are already making plans for next year. The **Fernbrook Open House** is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 2nd from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.** You will be able to meet your child's classroom teacher, visit classrooms and learn about our many volunteer opportunities. I will be sending fall letters to each student after August 14th with teacher placement information. If your child does not get a letter by August 24th, please call me at 420-8888.

I hope your year was as memorable as mine! Have a safe and restful summer break. I will see you in September!!

Last day of school is Friday, June 5

Release time is 12:50 p.m.

No afternoon kindergarten

NOTE TO 6th GRADE PARENTS

Many of you have gotten your child's up to date immunization records to me. Thank you so much. As long as your child is at Fernbrook please continue to bring their immunization records here. They will go directly to the Jr. High that they will be attending. After June 5, bring the immunizations to the junior high your child will be attending. Your child will not be allowed to get their schedule in the Fall if their immunizations are not up to date. It is important to make appointments early as the clinics are very busy in the summer. Print outs of the immunizations your child needs have come home in progress reports.

Jo O'Neil RN
(763)391-8419

GRASP

Grand Rapids Academic Summer Program

Phone: 616-819-2548 Fax: 616-819-2545

The GRASP program is a 9-week correspondence summer program in math and reading for children who have completed kindergarten to 8th grade. The program seeks to help students retain skills learned during the school year by providing review exercises. Students should enroll at the grade just completed or the level that is appropriate for them. Lessons are scored, recorded, and returned. There is an award system. Awards are mailed soon after Labor Day.

To enroll your child/ren, you must complete the enrollment form and forward it with the enrollment fee to the address indicated. The fees for the summer 2009 are \$37 for one subject and \$61 for both subjects for each child.

Enrollment forms are available by calling 616-819-2548 or may be printed from the Web site: www.grpublicschools.org/grasp Sample pages and objectives may be viewed on this Web site.

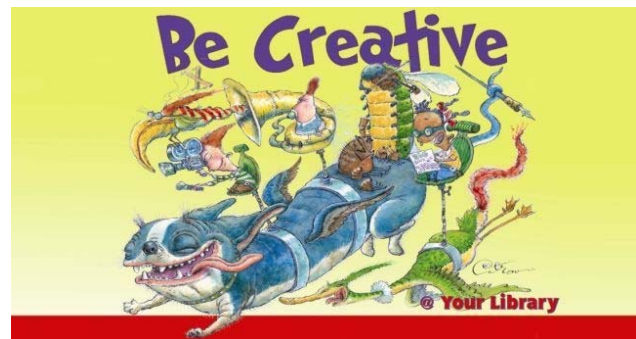
Return form and fee to:

GRASP, 2550 Burritt NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Deadline:

Enrollment must be POSTMARKED by June 12, 2009

*District 279 does not endorse the GRASP program.
Information about District 279 summer programs may
be found online at
www.district279.org/services/communityeducation*



PREVENT "READING RECESSION" AND MAKE YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY A FAMILY DESTINATION THIS SUMMER!

**Hundreds of Free Programs for Kids and Teens
Begin in June**

Make your local Hennepin County Library a family destination this summer! Summer is a great time for kids and teens to create and explore at the library -- and avoid "reading recession" by keeping up reading skills gained during the school year.

Hundreds of free summer programs begin in June! Themes are "Be Creative @ Your Library" (kids) and "Express Yourself @ Your Library" (teens). There will be dozens of book clubs for guys, girls, and teens; programs by Three Rivers Parks, the Science Museum of Minnesota, the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, and children's authors; technology for kids and teens; story times -- some starring real construction trucks; amazing acrobats; mind-boggling magic; energizing music; and more.

How can teens express themselves at the library this summer? Through creative writing, breakdance, hip hop, DDR, drawing, crafts, henna, teen clubs, "Twilight" activities, and "Best Book Ever" book reviews. Dare we say more?!

That's right -- there's more! For a chance to win a free paperback book, kids can enter weekly Read to Win drawings by using words or pictures to tell library staff about a book they've read. Complete and return an entry form (available at the library or online at www.kidlinks.org) from June 15-Aug. 15. Kids can keep track of all the great books they read on a "reading record" available at the library. Need suggestions? Ask your local librarian or go online to www.kidlinks.org and <http://www.hclib.org/teens/>

SAVE ON MICROSOFT SOFTWARE

The District is pleased to announce that all District 279 **students** and **employees** are eligible to purchase selected Microsoft Software titles at substantial discounts. District 279 has made this possible under the Microsoft Student Select K-12 agreement.

The following table details the available software titles and prices: (*Prices are subject to change*)

<u>SOFTWARE TITLE</u>	<u>PRICING</u>
Microsoft Vista Operating System (Business upgrade)	\$69.58
Microsoft Office Professional Plus Suite 2007	\$71.86
Microsoft Office Standard 2007	\$60.99
Microsoft Office Enterprise 2007	\$74.93
Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac	\$61.69
Microsoft Office OneNote 2007	\$25.25
Microsoft Project Pro 2007	\$112.56
Microsoft Visio Pro 2007	\$71.33
Microsoft Expression Blend 2	\$64.95
Microsoft Media 2	\$36.98
Microsoft Expression Studio	\$83.97
Microsoft Expression Web	\$45.75
Microsoft Math 3.0	\$21.47
Microsoft Student with Encarta Premium 2008	\$26.98

Exactly what does this purchase? Two items, a license to use the software (required by law), and, the media (set of CDs) used to load the software on your computer.

If you decide to participate in the MS Software Offer, you will need a [Personal Registration Code](#), which is available from the School District. To obtain your Personal Registration Code send an email request to MSOffer@District279.org, with the following information:

a) Indicate you are requesting a Microsoft Student Select personal registration code, and, b) your **complete first and last name**, and, c) your **Employee # (if employee); Student # (if student)**. In 1-2 days, you will receive an email reply with your personal registration code and instructions on how to get registered. All purchased are transacted via credit card.

The host agency, e-Academy, has set up a website for District 279 students and employees. It is located at: <http://district279.e-academy.com> Please visit the website for additional information. This software offer is good through June, 2009.

If you are unable to do an e-mail request, send written letter with the same information, addressed to:

ISD #279
Tech Management Dept/MS Offer
11200 93rd Avenue North
Maple Grove, MN 55369.

Every student and District employee is allowed one registration code and may purchase one copy of each of the titles (if they wish). District 279 has partnered with e-Academy to help facilitate the ordering and delivery of software.

This is being offered as a service to our learners and employees. None of the funds pass through the District and none of the money goes to the District.

No telephone orders will be processed.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR'S CORNER

Thank you to all volunteers for your hard work and dedication throughout this year. You are AWESOME!

Thank you to the PTO Executive Board members for your time and planning for all the staff and students at Fernbrook. You are the BEST!

Volunteers are such an important part of Fernbrook and we want to thank all of you for all that you have done. Have a fun, relaxing summer and I hope to see all of you next fall.
Carol Joelson

Carol Joelson, Volunteer Coordinator
763-391-8423
joelsonc@district279.org
Monday-Thursday, 9:15 a.m. – 3:30 p.m

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

*Meetings are held at the ESC Board room
located at 11200 – 93rd Avenue N
Maple Grove MN 55369*

June 16 Regular meeting 8:00 p.m.



