**Week 9**

Good to be back, and good to report the “extended weekend” was productive. Teachers attended professional development sessions. I had the privilege of camping in Ely with our amazing young people in the All Nations program. The students ate all organic foods, practiced conservation, and learned about nature. In the process, they nurtured their spirits and relationships with classmates and had experiences to make for lifelong memories. Thanks to families for making conferences last week or scheduling appointments to meet with teachers when it works best for you!

Principal Aponté

**Important to note:** We’re just seven days away from the end of the first quarter. Remind your high schooler to wrap up any loose ends that could make the difference between that A and an A+! No matter where we are, we can always give a little more—do better. It’s who we are at South!

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SILVER RIBBON CAMPAIGN TICKETS AVAILABLE

Students experiencing effects of mental illness, directly or indirectly and looking for information and support, are invited to the next SRC meeting: **Wednesday, Oct. 21 - first hour.** Our guest speaker will be a U of M film student who will share her story of struggle with an eating disorder, subsequent depression and her means of coping—through film.

Students are reminded to:

• Get tickets in **advance! MONDAY,** if possible.
• Contact: Ms. Salma Hussein, South Social Worker in 249 B
• Please inform first hour teacher of expected absence.

BARN DANCE TICKET SALES - 3 DAYS LEFT!

The dance is this Friday, but no tickets will be sold after Wednesday. Just like Sadie’s, our new Barn Dance and Costume Fest involves advance preps with buses, so **please plan to purchase tickets asap, reserve your seat:**

• Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday!
• Lunchtime in the commons
• $22/individual; $42/pair
• Short on cash? Please let a social worker know, we’ll get you a ticket!

(An early bus return will be available for students taking Saturday’s SAT.)

Also, parents **willing to chaperone**, we could use your help, thanks!

See further details on the [South website](#).

MINNEAPOLIS ALPINE SKI TEAM INFO MEETINGS

TONIGHT Monday, Oct 19 - Washburn High 6:30 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. **Read details.**
CPEO MEETING
Our parents will tour the U of M tomorrow. Next meeting, they’ll be full-fledged CPEO graduates! Consider becoming a CPEO graduate yourself. Look for details in upcoming newsletter about the next sessions in November: Connecting Parents to Educational Opportunities.

THIS WEDNESDAY, WEAR ORANGE - IT’S A SOUTH THING AND A NATIONAL THING!
Link Crew and Peace Tigers are joining the national call to wear orange in recognition of National Bullying Prevention month. This is a natural fit for South and our progressive, socially-aware student body...plus of course, orange is pretty much a staple of our wardrobes!

SENIOR CLASS MEETING
Thursday, Oct. 22, our seniors will gather in the auditorium third hour to discuss the year ahead. Here are few quick notes about this meeting:

• Jostens will be on hand, taking cap & gown measurements.
• No money needed; cost of cap & gowns covered by MPS.
• Jostens will return Thursday, Nov. 5, lunchtime in the commons to take orders for announcements.
• Commencement is May 31st!

Timeline of senior events in the year to come.

Fall Senior Class Meeting: October 22nd, Third hour, SHS Auditorium.
Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us
Graduation Announcement Orders: October 29th, lunchtime in the commons
Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

Cap and Gown/Diploma order form: Due November 6th to room 224. No fee.
Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

Senior Photos due: November 20th to room 128.
Contact: nicole.schneider@mpls.k12.mn.us

Senior Class Officer Applications due: November 24th to room 224.
Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

Financial Aid Night: December 1st, 6:30pm, SHS Commons.
Contact: marsha.gaulke@mpls.k12.mn.us

Baby Ads due for Yearbook: December 18th to room 128.
Contact: nicole.schneider@mpls.k12.mn.us

Boat Bash/Senior Picnic Tix sold: May 2nd - 6th, all lunches.
Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

Spring Senior Class Meeting: May 10th, Third Hour, SHS Auditorium.
Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

Boat Bash ($35/student): May 19th, 6:30 pm, Harriet Island West.
Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

Last day for Seniors: May 25th.
Senior Checklist/pick up Grad Tix: May 24, 25, 31, Main Office.
Contact: richard.palmquist@mpls.k12.mn.us
**Graduation Rehearsal**: May 26th, 8:30 am, South High Auditorium. Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

**Cap and Gown Distribution**: May 26th, 9:00 am, Auditorium. Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

**Senior Picnic($10/student)**: May 26th, 9:30 - 2:00pm. Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

**Graduation**: May 31st, 6pm, Mariucci Arena, University of Minnesota. Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

**All Night Senior party** ($60/student): May 31st, check-in 9:00-9:45 p.m @ South High. Contact: stephanie.woldum@mpls.k12.mn.us

For future reference this info is also posted to homepage under “Quick Links.”

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**IN THE CLASSROOM WITH SARAH MINETTE | MUSIC**

South music teacher Sarah Minette charged her guitar students with a self-revelatory assignment, proving “Everybody is musical. Everyone is creative!” Watch “The Creating Assignment” in which students came up with their own original compositions. Hard to believe some had never played before taking this class. Now they’re all composers! [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bDTn3Thl4V0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bDTn3Thl4V0)
HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ FESTIVAL HERE, AT SOUTH!

KBEM MPLS FALL JAM FESTIVAL
South High hosts!
Saturday, Oct. 24 | 7 p.m.

See and hear the amazing talent of MPS student musicians representing:

• Roosevelt High School
• South High School
• Southwest High School
• Washburn School

Special performing guest artist is Jazz MN!

No price set for admission. Give what you can! See poster.

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING NEXT MONDAY

The Office of Black Male Student Achievement (OBMSA) would like to personally invite you to our Parent Council Meeting. Children achieve more when parents are actively and positively involved in their education. OBMSA aims to create a space where parents come together and discuss school and community issues and strengthen parent voices.

Parent Council Meeting
Monday, Oct. 26, 2015
Davis Center
1250 West Broadway
Minneapolis, MN 55411
6 pm – 8 pm
• Dinner and childcare provided.
• Giveaways

For more information, please contact Andria Daniel at andria.daniel@mpls.k12.mn.us or call 612.668.0119.

SOUTH HIGH CAREER FAIR
Friday, Nov. 6 | 9:14 -10:04 a.m. | 2nd hour - Commons

Career Fair Schedule
9:14-9:44: 9th graders attend
9:44-10:14: 10th graders attend

Attendance
This event is required for all 9th and 10th graders to attend. It is a My Life Plan requirement for these students to have at least one career experience.

9:14-10:14 a.m.: 11th and 12th graders Welcome

ACT testing dates approaching
The next American College Test, required for admittance to many four-year colleges and universities, can be taken at Dunwoody College, Saturday Oct.
24. Tests are scheduled every other month throughout the school year. See upcoming test dates and registration information.

**PSAT exam date at South High: Wednesday, Oct. 28**
Juniors and sophomores, registered for the Wednesday, Oct. 28 Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test, should mark calendars, make note of the date and the following details:
- **Test check-in**: 8 - 8:25 a.m. (Students may be admitted until 8:45 a.m.)
- **Test time**: 8:30 a.m.
- **Test site**: South High auditorium
- **Test length**: 3.5 hours
- **Bring**: # 2 pencils
- **Bring**: Scientific or graphing calculator, if desired.
- Do NOT bring: cell phone/smartphone
- Do NOT bring: back pack
- Do NOT bring: food or drink

**Q Quest coming to South**
South’s welcoming inclusive reputation and progressive work in achieving establishment of gender neutral bathrooms made our school a prime candidate to host the next Q Quest conference this month.

As such, the two-day conference will be here at South and will include a middle school track on Friday, Oct. 29 and high school track Saturday, Oct. 30.
The day of workshops, some by our own South students, and activities will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. and is dedicated to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer & Allied youth.

To register, visit: www.mnschooloutreach.org

South High School contacts:
Ethan.Dean@mpls.k12.mn.us - Equity, Diversity Coordinator
Sarah.Minette@mpls.k12.mn.us - Teacher, GSA Advisor

Other resources include: MPS Out 4 good

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**Nordic Ski Boosters go the distance with 5K Walk/Run!**

[Sign up HERE](#) for the **2015 Tiger Trail 5K Run/Walk**! This is a fun event for the entire family with a spectacular drawing to boot and helps support the Minneapolis South High School Nordic Ski team.

**WHEN:** Saturday, Nov. 7, 10 a.m.

**WHERE:** Quaking Bog, near Theodore Wirth Beach

**DIRECTIONS:** [https://goo.gl/maps/Tw6Pi](https://goo.gl/maps/Tw6Pi)

**FACEBOOK:** [http://www.facebook.com/TigerTrail5k](http://www.facebook.com/TigerTrail5k)

**Entry fees:**
- $20 online, if submitted by midnight, Thursday, Nov. 5
- $25 race morning
MPS Calendar Survey Closes Thursday

As the Minneapolis Public Schools calendar committee develops the district calendar for the next three years, they are offering families the opportunity to weigh in on: school start and end dates; length of winter and spring breaks by completing this survey (see mid page) in English, Spanish, Somali or Hmong. Survey closes Oct 22. The MPS Board of Education will vote on the final district calendar in December. Read more.

Tiger Pride archive is available under “Quick Links” on the South High School homepage. Submissions may be emailed to: Lisa Ramirez

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