



Please visit the [NEMS Calendar](#) on website for up-to-date information.

Tip: To see if additional information is available, click on a calendar item, and then click on "more details".

[\*\*April 27th \(Thursday\) 6:00pm-7:00pm\*\*](#)

**Latino & Somali Parent Night**

[\*\*May 1st \(Monday\)\*\*](#)

**Parkway Pizza Day**

[\*\*May 6th \(Saturday\) 10a-2pm\*\*](#)

**WING DING at Audabon Park**  
**(NEMS if rain)**

[\*\*May 8th \(Monday\) 6:30pm-8:00pm\*\*](#)

**PTA Meeting**

[\*\*May 12th \(Friday\) 6:30pm-8:00pm\*\*](#)

**PTA Sponsored "Hollywood Red Carpet" Dance**

**Thanks to a donation from the PTA, the World language Department will be taking the 7th and 8th grade World Language students to the Festival of Nations on Friday, May 5. Please sign your child's permission slip and return it with \$5 as soon as possible. Contact your child's World language teacher if you would like to chaperone.**

Hollywood Red Carpet Dance  
Friday, May 12  
6:30pm-8:00pm  
Dress up fancy & Be ready for a Grand  
Event!



\*\*Students must have a permission slip signed by  
parent/guardian to attend\*\*

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## **MCA Dates**

Reading Test April 18-19

Math Test April 24-26

Science Test (Grade 8 ONLY) week of May 1

MCA Test Prep - Item samplers are provided to help teachers and students become familiar with the format and type of content included in the accountability assessments. Item samplers contain fewer items than an actual full-length test and are aligned to the Minnesota Academic Standards. They are NOT suitable for predicting how students will perform on the accountability assessments.

Item samplers, along with other resources for teachers and parents, can be found on the Pearson Access Next website, including:

- Reading, Mathematics, and Science MCA online item samplers
- Reading, Mathematics, and Science MCA paper accommodation item samplers
- MTAS item samplers

<http://minnesota.pearsonaccessnext.com/item-samplers/>

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## **6th Grade Families**

All 6th graders will be heading to Camp Miller in Sturgeon Lake, MN!

**Thursday-Friday, May 25 & May 26th**

## **Parents/Guardians are Welcome to Chaperone!**

Contact Deb Reutter if you would like to chaperone.

The cost is \$50.00 per student.

**Students will meet with a Camp Miller staff person Friday April 21st to learn more about the trip. They will receive initial information slips at that meeting that will be due on Wednesday May 26th. When students return the informational slips to their advisory teacher, they will receive the permission packet.**

More information and forms will be available beginning Friday April 21st on the Northeast website under Parent Information.

Questions, please contact Debra Reutter [debra.reutter@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:debra.reutter@mpls.k12.mn.us)

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## **Summer Enrichment Opportunities**

Northeast Middle School will be having GEMS/GISE Summer STEM Academy.

- **Amazing Structures: Bridges & Towers** - Students will investigate tower and bridge designs, the forces that act on them, and the materials that can withstand those forces.
- **Cooking by Design** - This design-based integrated STEM – Nutrition class engages students in using a variety of creativity and idea generation tools.
- **Drumline or Guitar** -Develop performance skills, rehearse music and choreography, and create a composition and arrangement.
- **Engineering the Ride** - Explore the mechanics of the standard road bike while riding through the urban parks and streets of Minneapolis.
- **Expedition Minneapolis** - Engage in a wide variety of environmental field experiences through the use of scientific inquiry, while learning to use the tools of a naturalist.
- **Explore Robotics**- Students will utilize their prototypes and programming skills to solve design challenges using the LEGO Mindstorms Robotic System.
- **STEM Gear by Style Engineers** - Activities are designed to explore the science and technology of fashion.
- **Game On! Recreational Sports & Activities** - Learn and practice the skills of Lacrosse, Soccer, Volleyball and Rugby.
- **SOAR** - The sky is the limit in this course that focuses on aerospace engineering.
- **Theatre or Dance** - Design and perform while learning the technical elements of theatre or dance.
- **Design Art Meets Engineering** - Students will work on various Art Engineering Design Challenges.
- **Tech 4 Boyz / Tech 4 Girlz** - Studio production, graphics, green screen production, and more.
- **Urban Boatbuilding & Exploration** - Design and construct wooden boats, canoe waterways and improve swimming

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Summer GEMS/GISE STEM Academy Website:

Current K-4<sup>th</sup> Grade: <http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/k-4applicationforms>

Current 5<sup>th</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> Grade: <http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/5-7applicationforms>

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**MPS Culinary & Wellness Services and the True Food Chef Council are looking for middle school (6-8th grade) students to apply to participate in the 3rd Annual MPS Jr Iron Chef Competition!** Selected students will be paired with chefs from the True Food Chef Council to compete top-chef style for a panel of judges. The purpose of this event is to raise awareness about MPS' shift to fresh, scratch-cooked meals and to get students excited about good food!

**When:** Monday, May 8th from 5:30-7:30pm (Participants will need to arrive around 4:30pm)

**Where:** Solar Arts by Chowgirls, 711 NE 15th Avenue, Minneapolis, MN

**Application details:**

Application is an online Google form that must be submitted at <http://bit.ly/JIC2017application> by 4pm on Wednesday, April 12th.

Students will submit a 1000 character essay explaining why he or she wants to cook with our chefs in this competition. Get creative with your response!

Consider including: when and why you love to cook, your favorite dishes to cook, your previous cooking experience, and why participating in this event is important to you. Note: previous cooking experience is not required!

Students must apply individually or with a partner.

Applications will be judged by the Jr Iron Chef planning committee.

Selected participants will be notified in early April with further details and a participation waiver.

This event is open and free to the public. Student participants are welcome to invite family and friends to attend the event!

All applications must be submitted at <http://bit.ly/JIC2017application> by 4:00pm on Wednesday, April 12th to be considered.

Please contact Kate Seybold at [kate.seybold@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:kate.seybold@mpls.k12.mn.us) or 612-668-2852 with any questions.



**Please save your Box Tops and have your student turn them into their Advisory teacher. This money raised will go towards student incentives here at NEMS! In the months of February & March the students will be having a contest in the advisories and the top two will receive treats!**

**Come & Join Northeast Middle School PTA  
Monday, May 8th 6:30-8:00p  
In the Media Center**

Like Northeast Middle School PTA on [Facebook](#) for more information

**Parkway Pizza donates 5% of all sales the first Monday of every month to  
North East Middle School's PTA**