



AROUND THE HORN

RAMSEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 27, 2015

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

EXPLORE TEST RESULTS | TIBBETTS

All 8th graders received their EXPLORE test results this week during Social Studies classes. EXPLORE is the first part of a testing system that goes on to include PLAN and the ACT.

Typically, students take EXPLORE in the 8th or 9th grade, PLAN as 10th graders, and the ACT as juniors or seniors. All three tests include questions in English, math, reading, and science.

If you have any questions about your child's results, please email school counselor Carolyn Tibbetts.

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EXCHANGE 4 GOOD | PTA

A Whittier parent has started a new website that Ramsey is participating in: Exchange4Good.com. It is like an online garage sale, but when the items sell the net-proceeds are given to a charity designated by the seller. The idea is to keep it local, recycle items and raise a little money for a good cause.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, February 27
History Day

**Friday, February 27 -
Sunday, March 1**
"In the Heights" at Washburn High School

Saturday, February 28
School Request Application Deadline

Saturday, March 14
Get Lucky Run
Pi Day

**Monday, March 16 -
Wednesday, May 13**
MCA Testing

Friday, March 20
School Dance

Saturday, March 21
History Day at South High School

**Monday, March 23 -
Thursday, March 26**
School Spirit Week

Thursday, March 26
Third Quarter Ends

**Friday, March 27-
Friday, April 3**
Spring Recess

Monday, April 6
Fourth Quarter Begins

EXCHANGE 4 GOOD (CONTINUED) | PTA

It is currently running for one month, from Friday, February 20 – Friday, March 20. There are 9 local schools and a few other small organizations that are participating in this first round: Barton, Burroughs, City of Lakes Waldorf, City of Lakes Rotary, Marcy, Ramsey, Southwest, Whittier School, and Whittier Neighborhood Association.

If your items sell, they should be tax deductible, if you are buying items its nice to know the money is going to a good cause. So post some items, buy some items or just check it out and spread the word! You can check it out by clicking [here](#), or by copying and pasting the following URL address into a web browser: <http://www.exchange4good.com>.

GET LUCKY RUN | PTA

Ramsey is going to be working the “Cheer Zone” at this fundraising opportunity again this year. We will be in St. Paul on Saturday, March 14 to cheer on the “Triple Seven” (Half Marathon) runners. The race starts at 8:30 AM; we will be at the turn around at Shepard Road and Gannon (near Buca). Hats and props will be provided. We need about 20 Rhinos to earn money for PTA and Student Council. Sign up coming soon.

RAMSEY RENDEZVOUS | PTA

To view our current list of Ramsey Rendezvous and sign up click [here](#), or copy and paste the following URL address into a web browser:

<https://sites.google.com/site/ramseyptafundraising/ramsey-rendezvous>

IN THE HEIGHTS | WASHBURN HIGH SCHOOL

A little Broadway right here in southwest Minneapolis! Check out Washburn High School's production of “In the Heights”. Take a break from Netflix and see your neighbors sing and dance. You will be impressed with the talent and touched by the story. Shows on Friday, February 27 and Saturday, February 28 at 7:00 PM, and Sunday, March 1 at 2:00 PM at Washburn High School. Tickets may be purchased at the door; \$12 for adults and \$5 for students.

In the Heights tells the universal story of a vibrant community in New York's Washington Heights neighborhood – a place where the coffee from the corner bodega is light and sweet, the windows are always open, and the breeze carries the rhythm of three generations of music. This high-energy show features lovable characters, a contemporary Latin-flavored score, and hip-hop dance moves.

(Note from Broadway.com: "The street-savvy younger characters occasionally swear, but it's not any worse than your average PG movie. In this candy-coated take on El Barrio there's really nothing to offend the kids, who will undoubtedly appreciate the 'cool' factor of a central character who emotes in rap.")