



# Harambee Life

*Working together for a common purpose*

A ROSEVILLE AREA SCHOOL

## June 7, 2017

Dear Harambee Families,

From June 5-7 Harambee sixth graders experienced the wonder and solitude (okay, not much solitude with 40 sixth graders!) of the north woods. Students spent two nights and three days at the Audubon Center of the North Woods. It was an amazing opportunity for students to learn about the environment, practice conservation, and build community. Every year there is something that defines the Audubon trip - this year it was the mosquitos! During the day, students were divided into learning groups and participated in classes/activities:

Each night, the students came together for a large group session. The first night focused on the Silent Birds of Prey and the second night students learned about the Voyaguers. In between classes, students had plenty of time to play games, explore and socialize. The food was delicious and plentiful. At each meal, students were challenged to reduce their ort (food waste). All ort was weighed and graphed after each meal.

This trip wouldn't have been possible without the help of our amazing chaperones. The sixth grade teachers, Jessica Morgan and Mara Badilla, did an amazing job preparing students for this trip. We had a group of students that did not attend the trip, but had an amazing at-home environmental experience as well. Thanks to all who made their experience memorable.

This annual trip is a treasured memory for our students. We make sure that everyone who wants to participate can attend, regardless of ability to pay. Please support this amazing experience by participating in two upcoming fundraising opportunities:

June 9 - Papa John's Fundraiser

June 27 - Trek the Trails

For more information about these events, see below!  
In partnership,

Kathy Griebel, Harambee Principal

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## Looking Ahead

### June

- 9:** Junior Achievement Day
- 16:** Harambee Dance Jam (School Fundraiser for Brain Pop and Brain Pop, Jr.), 6:30-8:30 PM
- 19-23:** Staff Appreciation Week
- 20:** Roller Skating at Saints North, 6:00-8:00 PM
- 21:** Taco Lunch for Staff
- 21:** Listening Session with Principal Griebel, 5:30 PM
- 21:** PTO Meeting, 6:30 PM
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- 27:** Trek the Trails, 9:45-11:30 AM for Grades 4-6
- 30:** Variety Show Showcases, 10:15 AM and 11:15 AM



## This Week's News

**Click the links below to access this week's flyers:**

[Saints North Roller Skating Party- June 20th](#)

[Roseville Parks and Recreation and Cheer America](#)

[Maplewood Parks and Recreation Summer Sports Clinics](#)

[Maplewood Parks and Recreation Fall Soccer League](#)

### **Papa John's Audubon Fundraiser - June 9**

This Friday night - support the annual 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to the Audubon Center of the North Woods!!

Go online and order Papa John's from any Twin Cities location. Use the code **hrambee20** and get

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20% off your order! We receive 20% of the regular price and it all goes directly to our annual trip to the Audubon Center! The kids had a great time this week and we are already looking forward to next year's trip!

Feel free to pass this information on to your neighbors, family, and friends! Friday is the last day of school for many families, celebrate with pizza from Papa John's.

[Papa John's Fundraiser - Order Here!](#)

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## Trek the Trails - June 27

**Get out your walking shoes!** Get ready for a fantastic summer event. Tuesday June 27th we will be hosting Trek the Trails from 9:30-11:30. Mark your calendar to join us for a 5K walk on the beautiful school grounds.

Students will be walking to raise money for outdoor environmental education experiences and to practice healthy life habits. There will be educational stations promoting environmental science and health.

Please watch for further information to be coming in newsletters and Wednesday folders. If you are available to help between 9:30 and 11:30 please contact [sierra.robinson@isd623.org](mailto:sierra.robinson@isd623.org)

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## Taco Lunch for Staff - June 21

Harambee PTO will be hosting a Taco Lunch for staff on Wednesday, June 21st during Teacher Appreciation Week. We will be providing beef, chicken, and beverages. We need your help with the rest! Please click on the button below to sign up and bring something for our hard-working teacher and staff. Thank you!



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## News in Review

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## Harambee Dance Jam - June 16, 6:30-8:30 PM

It's time to ditch the workout and join the party! Harambee parent, Terry Jones, and his dance crew invite you to work out for a cause on Friday, June 16 from 6:30-8:30 PM at Harambee. This is a great way to support our school and kick off your summer with a high-energy dance party!

With a donation of \$15 per adult (kids are free!), you will enjoy an evening of dance, fitness, friendship and FUN. You can also purchase healthy snacks and drinks to keep your energy high.

*Note: This is not a drop-off event. Students must be accompanied by an adult.*

We are raising funds to support a school-wide license for Brain Pop and Brain Pop, Jr. These online resources provide students with tools to help them connect with content. The resources are interactive, challenging and fun....just like our Harambee Dance Jam!



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## Staff Appreciation - Week of June 19

Harambee staff are superstars! We are celebrating Staff Appreciation Week from June 19-23. Harambee PTO has several special activities planned throughout the week. In particular we are looking for gift cards to local establishments for a special drawing for staff. If you would like to help or contribute, please send your gift card to the Harambee office.

## Snapshots from Harambee

### Senior Parade

My how they've grown! On Monday, Harambee hosted a "Senior Parade". Former Harambee students who are graduating from high school came to school for a special parade. We are so proud of our graduates!



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**School Hours: 9:35 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

**If you need help with school paperwork or communicating with school staff please contact:**

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