



# Txuj Ci Lower - Weekly News

## Week of Jan. 22nd-

Txuj Ci HMong Language & Culture  
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Dear Parents and Families,

It was a busy weekend for our Txuj Ci families. We had our first family field trip to Sea Life. There was a great turnout of the families that were registered and able to go on this first field trip. We are making plans for our next family field trip and will announce it once we work out the details. As new field trips are planned and announced, please make sure you sign up if you can commit to the event. A reminder that filling out the form does not guarantee a spot to go. We will confirm your registration through an email or phone call shortly after sign-up. We appreciate everyone's understanding as we work to spread out the opportunities to as many families as we can for future field trips. You can always call our family room if you have any questions.

On Saturday our Lego League Teams competed in the First Lego League Challenge. We had two teams competing - Txuj Ci Coding Stars coached by XF Katie Kostka and Txuj Ci Coding Dragons coached by XF Mai Tong Vang. Both teams won awards and placed well during the Robot Game! The Coding Stars received the Rising All Star Award and the Coding Dragons received the Breakthrough Award. We are very proud of our students. Thank you to the parents and staff that came to watch and support our teams during the competition.

### Saint Paul Public Schools - ACCESS Testing

State and federal laws require that all English Learner (EL) students are assessed annually to measure their proficiency and progress in reading, writing, listening and speaking in English. SPPS EL students in grades K-12 will be administered the ACCESS for ELLs or WIDA Alternate ACCESS tests between January 29 - March 22, 2024. If you have questions about your student's participation, please reach out to Principal Xiong, Assistant Principal Brown Ton, or your child's teacher.

For more information on English language proficiency assessments and the MDE Parent/Guardian Participation Guide and Refusal form, please go to:

- ACCESS Family Test Information website: [spps.org/Page/46590](http://spps.org/Page/46590)
- MDE Family Testing Information website: [education.mn.gov/MDE/fam/tests/](http://education.mn.gov/MDE/fam/tests/)

### Please see the reminders below:

- **Open House for prospective students: Wed, Jan. 31st, 10am-3pm, 5pm-7pm** - please encourage your friends and families who may be interested in attending Txuj Ci Lower to come to our open house. This is a great time to visit a school. **The priority deadline for 24-25 school applications has been extended to Feb. 23rd. This includes incoming preK students.**
- **Girls' Volleyball Camp Is this week Monday-Thursday (Jan. 29-Feb. 1st). We have filled the available slots for students in grades 3-5.** A reminder that parents must provide transportation and should pick students up at 5:30pm. We are excited about the great response with our Boys and Girls Volleyball camps. Check out pictures on our Facebook page! Thanks to St. Paul Parks and Rec and Mr. Hackett for organizing this opportunity!

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Nyob Zoo cov niam cov txiv,

Ob hnuv so los no peb cov niam txiv mas tsis xyeej kiag li. Peb coj cov niam txiv mus tom Sea Life thawj zaug. Coob tus niam txiv uas sau npe es tau mus, kuj tuaj coob kawg. Peb tseem tab tom npaj yuav mus lwm qhov chaw tshiab sai, yog thaum npaj tau lawm mam qhia sawv daws paub kom zoo. Yog thaum peb npaj tiav es sau ntawv qhia sawv daws, yog koj yuav mus tau tiag koj mam li sau npe tuaj. Tiam sis nco ntsoov tias txawm sau npe los yog puv lawm tej zaum yuav tsis tau mus. Peb mam li sau ntawv los yog hu tuaj qhia yog koj tsev neeg tau mus. Peb vam tias sawv daws yuav to taub zoo vim peb xav kom ntau tsev neeg tau mus ib yig ib zaug. Hu tuaj rau peb tau txhua lub sij hawm yog muaj lus nug.

Hnuv Saturday tas no peb ob pab Lego League Teams tau mus sib tw Lego League Challenge thawj zaug. Peb muaj 2 pab mus sib tw - pab Txuj Ci Coding Stars yog XF Katie Kostka coj thiab pab Txuj Ci Coding Dragons yog XF Mai Tong Vang coj. Ob pab tau paj tshab zoo thiab tau thib zoo rau hauv qhov Robot Game! Pab Coding Stars tau txais qhov Rising All Star Award thiab pab Coding Dragons tau txais qhov Breakthrough Award. Peb zoo siab thiab qhuas peb cov me nyuam heev. Ua tsaug rau cov niam txiv thiab cov xib fwb uas tuaj pab saib thaum cov me nyuam sib tw.

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Lub xeev thiab tsoom fwb tsab cai tseev kom txhua txhua xyoo mas yuav tsum xeev cov tub ntxhais kawm ntawv askiv (EL) seb lawv txoj kev paub nyeem, sau, mloog thiab hais lus Askiv nce li cas lawm. Txhua tus tub ntxhais kawm EL hauv SPPS uas nyob rau qib K-12 yuav tau xeev tus ACCESS for ELLs los sis WIDA Alternate ACCESS rau lub caij thaum lub 1 Hlis tim 29 mus rau lub 3 Hlis tim 22, 2024. Yog koj muaj lus nug txog qhov me nyuam yuav xeev no no hu tuaj nrog thawj tswj Principal Xiong, Assistant Principal Brown Ton, los yog me nyuam tus xib fwb tham.

Yog xav paub ntxiv txog kev xeev ntawv Askiv thiab MDE cov lus qhia txog niam txiv/tus saib xyuas kev koom tes thiab daim ntawv tsis tso cai, thov mus saib hauv no:

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### Thov saib cov hnuv tseem ceeb hauv qab no:

- **Qhib tos txais cov tub ntxhais tuaj kawm tshiab (Open House) rau lwm xyoo: Wed, Jan. 31st, 10am-3pm, 5pm-7pm** - thov pab tshaj tawm qhia, SPPS tab tom cuv npe kawm rau lwm xyoo. Yog nej paub cov phooj ywg los txheeb ze uas xav tuaj kawm, hais kom lawv tuaj saib thiab **cuv npe ua ntej Feb. 23. Tos txais cov kawm PreK thiab.**
- **Cov ntxhais ntaus Volleyball lub lim tiam tom ntej no - Jan. 29-Feb. 1st. Peb cov chaw puv lawm.** Nco ntsoov tias niam txiv tau tuaj tos vim tsis muaj npav xa los tsev. Thov tuaj tos thaum 5:30pm. Peb zoo siab tias muaj neeg tom St. Paul Parks and Recs tuaj qhia lawv ntaus pob thiab muaj Mr. Hackett txhawb lawv. Thov mus saib lawv cov duab hauv Facebook.Volleyball camps.

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