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COMO PARK
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

April 28, 2023 Newsletter

Upcoming Dates

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| May | 1- AP testing begins |
| | 1- Parent Advisory Council Meeting 6:00 pm |
| | 12- Prom 7:00-11:00 pm |
| | 16- Junior College Night 4:30-7:30 pm |
| | 18- Spring Band Concert 7:00-8:00 pm |
| | 19- Family Fun Night 5:00-8:00 pm |
| | 26- Spring Choir Concert 6:00 pm |
| | 29- No School (Memorial Day) |
| June | 6- MCJROTC Valley Fair Field Trip 10:00-6:00 pm |
| | 9- Last day of school for seniors |
| | 9- Senior BBQ 11:30-2:00 pm |
| | 13- Graduation 8:00-10:00 pm |
| | 14- End of 4th Quarter |
| | 14- Last day of School for students in grades 9-11 |
| | 15- Last day for teachers |

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

(Last meeting of the school year)

When: Monday May 1, 2023 **Time:** 6:00pm

Where: Virtually through Google Meet <https://meet.google.com/caf-dwwh-uro>

We would like to hear from you!! Please email me with suggestions, topics, concerns, or questions to be discussed at the next PAC meeting...jamie.hoffman@spps.org.





Como Park Senior High School Prom 2023



Como Prom 2023 theme is:

Masquerade

When: Friday, May 12th

Time: 7:00-11:00 pm

Where: Landmark Center- 75 W 5th St. St. Paul

Tickets will be sold **after Spring Break** during all lunches. Tickets are **\$50 per person and \$90 per couple**. Only juniors and seniors can purchase tickets (sophomores and freshmen can go to prom, but **ONLY** if they are invited by a junior or a senior).

Students are allowed to bring someone from another school, but will need to fill out a permission form. We will have these forms in the lunchroom or students can ask Ms. Mathieu.

If anyone has any questions they can email kristin.mathieu@spps.org.



Hello Ladies, Girls Empowerment has ended for this school year and will resume in the Fall of 2023. Please see Ms. Cash in room #1613 for questions. Hope to see you in the Fall!

GRADUATION INFORMATION

HEY SENIOR PARENTS! If you have questions regarding graduation or events leading up to it, please click the link below.

<https://sites.google.com/stpaul.k12.mn.us/cps-hs-class2023/home>



Como Park Senior AP Exams Calendar

Date	8:30am START time	12:30pm START time
Monday May 1, 2023	United States Government and Politics	Chemistry
Tuesday May 2, 2023	Environmental Science	Psychology
Wednesday May 3, 2023	<i>No AP testing during this time</i>	<i>No AP testing during this time</i>
Thursday May 4, 2023	Human Geography Macroeconomics	Statistics
Friday May 5, 2023	United States History	Art History
Monday May 8, 2023	Calculus AB Calculus BC	<i>No AP testing during this time</i>
Tuesday May 9, 2023	English Language and Composition	Physics Mechanics <i>Physics E&M at 2pm</i>
Wednesday May 10, 2023	<i>No AP testing during this time</i>	Biology
Thursday May 11, 2023	World History	<i>No AP testing during this time</i>
Friday May 12, 2023	<i>No AP testing during this time</i>	<i>No AP testing during this time</i>

- Students should plan to arrive *at least* 15 minutes early to find their seat and settle in.
- Students should leave their phones and electronics at home or put them in their lockers before starting their test. *If a student is caught with a phone or communication device during their exam their exam will be canceled.*
- Every exam will have a 10 minute break between sections where students will be provided a light snack.
- Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to their exam, only water is allowed in the testing space.





Como Park Senior High School

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023
5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Attention ALL Como Park Senior students, families, staff and teachers! Join Como Park Senior High School for a FREE evening of fun-filled activities, food, music and more!

CONTACT:

Jamie Hoffman, Parent Family Liaison
jamie.hoffman@spps.org | 651-744-5529

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**Como
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Club**



Credit Recovery Classes start May 1st

After school credit recovery schedules are being finalized based on student and counselor requests. Depending on availability of courses and student needs, students are being placed in Extended Day Learning (EDL) classes at Como Sr, Evening High School (EHS) classes that use online synchronous meetings for 12th grader students, and/or Credit Recovery Network (CRN) classes that uses online APEX courses. Schedules will be available in Campus (log in at spps.org/onestop) by Friday 4/28, and classes start on Monday 5/1. Students must make continuous progress in their credit recovery courses until they have demonstrated proficiency.



Farewell Custodian Brigette Blesi. This is her last day. She has accepted a new position at Expo Elementary School.

Brigette served CPSHS well for three years. We appreciate everything she has done for Como Park Senior High School.

Best wishes, Brigette

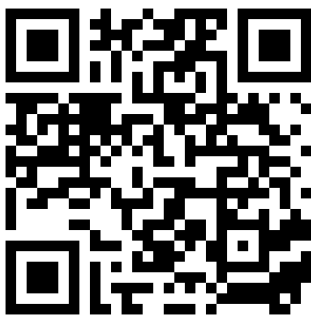


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Como Yearbook order code: 14933023



GREAT THINGS HAPPENING AT COMO



Eight motivated Como Park MCJROTC Cougars spent a rainy Saturday Orienteering#2 at Cleary Lake State Park. They competed against Harding's NJROTC and Johnson's AFJROTC running miles of swampy trails across the park. All of it led by team Captain Cadet Junior Cooper Westrum.



Como Park MCJROTC Cougars join Mr. Munoz class planting flowers and shrubs and getting outside for Environmental Awareness Training. Pictured here is the MCJROTC Freshman volunteering to tackle school grounds Spring cleanup.



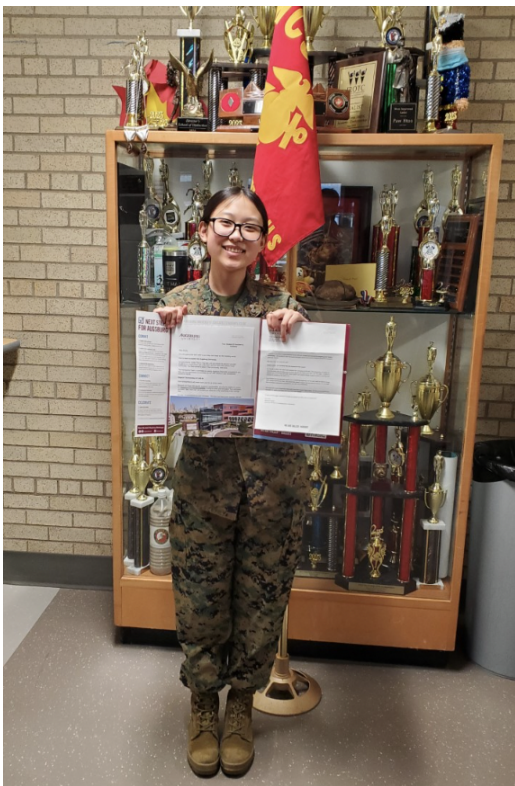
Congratulations to Pah Meh, our Athena Award winner!

Pah Meh has lettered in Badminton, Soccer, Volleyball, and Wrestling.





Fifty-One (51) Como Park MCJROTC Cadet Cougars supported the Feed My Starving Children Non-profit Organization. Cadets have volunteered their time for the past seven years at the Eagan, Minnesota warehouse. Feed My Starving Children is a Christian non-profit organization that coordinates the packaging and distribution of food to people in developing nations. Founded in 1987, it has reached out to more than 70 countries. Today the cadets packed 87 boxes, equivalent to 18,792 meals shipped globally to those in need. Great job warriors.



Congratulations **Cadet First Lieutenant Cindy Thao** earning a 100% Funded Scholarship to Augsburg College. She is now the **third cadet/student** this school year to be awarded this fully funded scholarship for her undergraduate studies. Her **leadership** and **academic** achievements have been noteworthy at CPSHS and MCJROTC. We are very proud of all that she has achieved!

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The Armed Exhibition team performed admirably several times for the town of Elbow Lake, Minnesota. It was an event at the local airport to honor the month of a military child. Thank you, Motivators!



Left: The Como Park cougar color guard also performed at the Elbow Lake event. Right: Cadets work the 8th grade lunchroom at Murray Middle School to promote MCJROTC to next year's freshman. Great job!





Spring into the library for a new book!

The book orders that have been delayed all year are just coming in. There's brand new titles on almost every shelf!





ELIGIBILITY CENTER

NEXT STEPS: PREPARING FOR YOUR FUTURE AS AN NCAA STUDENT-ATHLETE

Free Webinar for College-Bound Student-Athletes and Families

High school student-athletes focused on playing their sport at the NCAA level won't want to miss this informative hour with the Eligibility Center staff. Learn about next steps, based on your year in high school and how the removal of standardized test score requirements may impact your eligibility experience. Parent/families/advocates encouraged to join! [Click here](#) to register.



LIVE WEBINAR

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-  **AUDIENCE**
» College-bound student-athletes and families.
-  **DATE**
» Sunday, April 30.
-  **TIME**
» 6:30-7:30 p.m. Eastern time.

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Share this QR Code to Register



Updated March 2023





Sanneh Foundation

Conway Center and Playground
2090 Conway St,
St Paul, MN 55119

Sanneh Summer Programs

Open Gym @ Conway Center
Daily, 6pm – 7:30pm
Grade school thru high school
FREE

Adult Open Gym @ Conway Center (18yrs+)
Tuesdays/Soccer, 8:30 – 10:30
Thursdays/Basketball, 8:30 – 10:30
FREE

Dreamline – Dreamline “coaches/mentors” partner with students in public schools to provide services, on-site, to students identified as most in need of intervention, whose teachers and administrators have identified as failing or near failing, and whose academic futures are in the greatest jeopardy.

Volunteer and employment opportunities – Sanneh is always looking for volunteers to work with youth during activities and events AND works with AmeriCorps/Vista to provide employment opportunities.

Nutritional Services

Produce distribution @ Conway Center
Farmers market style
Tuesdays, 3 – 5pm
FREE

Bus access: Metro transit route 74 stops at Conway and Ruth St adjacent to the Conway Center



Saint Paul Water Safety &
Drowning Prevention Program

SWIMMING LESSON SCHOLARSHIPS

Como Regional Park Pool
1151 Wynne Ave

July 24 - August 4*
Monday-Thursday
9am, 10am, or 11am
**Fridays are rain make-up days*



Saint Paul Parks and Recreation is partnering with four local organizations to award 300 youth scholarships for an introductory swimming lesson and water safety program. Youth must live in Saint Paul.

Two scholarships per session are also available for all other swimming lesson sessions at Como Regional Park Pool and Highland Park Aquatic Center.

To apply, call: 651-642-0390



Would you like to host an exchange student for the school year 23-24?

Perhaps you or someone you know would be interested in the opportunity to be a volunteer host family for one of these students! Host families can be single parents, couples without kids, have kids of any age, be retired, etc. No family is too big or too small.

CIEE students attend the public high school closest to their host family. They speak English, have their own insurance and money to cover personal expenses. CIEE students are eager to engage with their communities through volunteering, participating in clubs, organizations, sports, etc. and immersing themselves into their family's everyday life. A volunteer host family simply puts another plate on the table and welcomes the student as a member of the family!

Please feel free to contact **Moriah Davis (CIEE Minnesota Regional Manager)** directly with any questions or share her contact information with anyone interested. You can also visit ciee.org/hostfamily for more information.

ATTENTION JUNIOR AND SENIOR PARENTS!

WE'RE LOOKING FOR PARENTS TO HELP US
PLAN THE ANNUAL SENIOR PICNIC!

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE EMAIL US
AT COMOPARKBOOSTERCLUB@GMAIL.COM



**We meet after school
May 10th, 24th & 31st**

**Gender &
Sexuality
Alliance**



in Profe. Butler's room #1207

Thank you Como families and Community!!!!

Because of you, our fundraiser with Portillo's on Tuesday April 18th was a success! We brought in \$1,252 in sales earning us a donation giveback in the amount of \$250! That money will go directly to help fund Family Fun Night. Thank you all for participating and for showing your support for Como Park Senior High School.



Macalester College will be hosting Workshop Wednesdays over the summer to help uprising seniors with the college process throughout the summer. Click on [link](#) to learn more about sessions they will be hosting over the summer and to RSVP.



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GET READY STUDENT SUCCESS SCHOLARSHIPS



APPLY FOR A COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP TO SUPPORT YOUR FUTURE!

Get Ready is providing scholarships to students that are graduating in the spring or summer of 2023, and are enrolled in 4-year or 2-year college or certification program. The purpose of the Get Ready Student Success Scholarship is to support our students while they pursue their postsecondary pathway after graduating high school, and persist in their program.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNTS

Get Ready is providing scholarships ranging from \$1,000 - \$5,000. Amounts awarded will be contingent upon the availability of funds and the number of applications received.

APPLICATION PROCESS

For more information or apply, scan the QR code or visit our website at www.getready.state.mn.us. Applications will be accepted from April 12 at 8am - May 10 at 12am.



ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Students who will graduate from Get Ready/GEAR UP capacity-building and outreach partner high schools in the spring or summer of 2023.
 - *Apollo High School, Armstrong High School, Brooklyn Center High School, Como Park Senior High School, Cooper Senior High School, Edison High School, Fridley High School, Hiawatha Collegiate, Long Prairie Gray Eagle Senior School, Northhome High School, Technical High School, and Roosevelt High School.*
- Graduating from high school in 2023 or earning a General Education Diploma (GED).
- Minimum 2.5 GPA (unweighted).
- Enrolled in a Minnesota program (i.e., 4-year college, 2-year college, or certificate program) in Fall 2023.
- Completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or Minnesota Dream Act application.
- Demonstrates financial need (Pell Qualifying EFC).

Areas of Priority

- First-generation college student (i.e., a student who is the first in their family to go to college)
- Black, Indigenous, and students of color.

Visit the Get Ready website to view expectations for receiving the scholarship.

QUESTIONS?

Email us at getreadyinfo.ohe@state.mn.us.





Explore Your Interests with a SUMMER CAMP!

- Business
- Cosmetology
- Culinary
- Finance
- Fine Arts
- Healthcare
- Programming
- Science
- Welding
- World Languages and Cultures
- And More!



NEED SUMMER PLANS? TRY SUMMER CAMP!

The Summer Enrichment Program (SAEP) is the perfect way to have fun while enhancing your love of learning! Get Ready is offering funding to students currently in grades 10-12, who would like to attend these summer camps.

Contact the Get Ready Coordinator at your school for more information about the summer camp you're interested in attending, and receive assistance on completing the application process.

Documents you will need to complete to apply include: Get Ready student application, guardian form, transcripts, MARSS number, and free/reduced lunch eligibility form (if applicable).

Get enrolled in the summer camp of your choice with Get Ready!

Are you eligible for a stipened from SEAP?

Apply for a stipened if:

- You are a Minnesota resident and a student attending an eligible summer camp (listed on back or on the Get Ready website).
- You are eligible for free or reduced priced meals.
- You have a "C" average GPA

**If 2 and 3 do not apply to you, Get Ready will cover your cost of registration and attendance. Everyone is eligible!*

How do you apply?

Scan the QR code to apply on the Get Ready website! Connect with your Get Ready Coordinator for assistance or with questions.

SCAN HERE!



https://bit.ly/getready_summer2023



★ Concordia Language Village

Concordia Language Village offers an immersive approach to language teaching, providing students with a culturally authentic setting full of natural opportunities to hear, learn, and speak a variety of languages.

www.concordialanguagevillages.org

★ MN Institute for Talent Youth (MiTY)

MiTY's Expand Your Mind program offers more than 30 unique STEM, humanities, and fine arts courses specifically designed to challenge and inspire bright and motivated students from around the Twin Cities and beyond.

www.mity.org

★ MN Business Venture (MBV)

MBV is a business and career development camp that brings together students to learn business, leadership, and financial literacy skills. This is a great opportunity to network, hear from business owners, build skills, and explore future career options!

www.bestprep.org/Minnesota-businessventure

★ SCRUBS Camp

Come and learn all about healthcare careers through fun, hands-on activities! Students will take part in a variety of activities related to healthcare, lead by experts in the field. Scrubs Camp is a fun and exciting way for those interested in pursuing a career in the growing field of healthcare!

www.stcloudstate.edu/chwp/scrubscamp
www.saintpaul.edu/wtce/highschoolcamps

★ Summer Beauty Cosmetology Camp

Cosmetology camp offers a variety of different classes on subjects including hair, skin, nails, and makeup application. These workshops give students the chance to explore the world of cosmetology and esthetics!

www.saintpaul.edu/wtce/highschoolcamps

★ Culinary Camp

During Culinary Summer Camp, students will learn fundamental cooking skills and how to make various dishes. This unique experience will give students a taste of culinary careers and opportunities available to them!

www.saintpaul.edu/wtce/highschoolcamps

★ Video Game Design Camp

Video Game Design Camp gives students the opportunity to work with multiple programming platforms to design their own video games, as well as learn from industry professionals including programmers, designers, artists, and writers.

www.saintpaul.edu/wtce/highschoolcamps

★ Imagine it, Design it, Make it! Camp

Imagine is an advanced manufacturing summer camp on welding and machining. Students get the chance to design and build their own product from start-to-finish, while learning how to do CAD, CAM, CNC design and operate various kinds of welding and manufacturing equipment with industry professionals.

www.saintpaul.edu/wtce/highschoolcamps

GET READY COORDINATORS, Room 2614

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CLASS OF 2024 RISING SENIOR SUMMER SUCCESS PROGRAM



July 12: North Hennepin Community College

Target Schools: Cooper, Fridley, Como, Harding, Hiawatha

July 28: St. Cloud Technical and Community College

Target Schools: Apollo, Tech

This **free, limited-space** event includes transportation, breakfast, lunch, college prizes, and the opportunity to:

- Explore your career and college options after high school
- Visit local colleges and meet advisors and subject matter experts
- Leave with tools and resources for career and college planning
- Attend hands-on workshops lead by subject professionals regarding:
 - Researching post-high school college or career options
 - Federal Student Aid and how to access free money for college
 - Scholarship information
 - Free training programs
 - Personal statements and essay writing

JOIN US!

Scan the QR codes to register, or talk with the Get Ready Pathway Coordinator at your school for more information.

Student Registration



Parent Permission



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Career Development

Participants who obtain their driver's license and pass the program will be promoted to Water Utility Worker I (~\$30/hour)!



HAMLIN ELEMENTARY MIGHTY MIDWAY SPRING FESTIVAL



Saturday, May 20th, 2023

1:00-4:00pm

Free Admission!

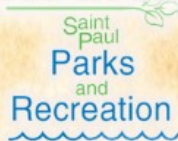
Featuring entertainment, food for sale, fun & games, a bake sale, community expo, and more!
Sponsorship opportunities and tables for vendors & organizations at the community expo are available.

For more information,
contact karen.mccauley@spps.org

Visit the Facebook event page:
<https://fb.me/e/6yqlQJXA0>



Hancock Recreation Center, 1610 Hubbard Ave,
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