

## UPCOMING EVENTS

March 31  
No School

April 3-7  
No School  
Spring Break

April 10  
Cinco de Mayo Fiesta  
Ticket Sales Begin 8 am

April 13  
EHSI Science Night 2017  
EHSI 6-8 pm

April 13-14  
Spanish Book Fair  
EHSI

April 17  
Baker Near-Wilderness Trip  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade

April 23  
SEF Board Meeting  
Piper's Coffee & Burger Bar  
7-9 pm

April 24  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Music Performance  
EHSI PAL 6 & 7 pm

April 25  
4-6<sup>th</sup> Grade District Choral  
Festival  
EPHS Main Gym 7 pm



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## INTERN UPDATE

### LOOKING FOR HOST FAMILIES FOR NEXT YEAR

The intern interview team has been busy interviewing and inviting intern candidates for next school year. Next step is to find host families.

Have you been a host family or thought about hosting an intern? If so, next week while on Spring Break, take the opportunity of time together and consider discussing hosting an intern with your family.

Hosting an intern is a very rewarding experience for both the intern and the host family creating lasting memories.

Look for more information about hosting and upcoming Host Family Information Sessions after Spring Break. Have questions? Please contact Karl or Sara Hemmesch at [karlandsara@netzero.net](mailto:karlandsara@netzero.net).

### POLAR PLUNGE & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The interns recently fully embraced our Minnesota winter by participating in the 2017 Polar Plunge. Together they raised over \$750 supporting Special Olympics Minnesota. They started the plunge with excitement and smiles and ended it the same way!



The interns also participated in another professional development day. All year we have started off the professional development days with a Morning Meeting, led by the leaders of that professional development day.

This time, the interns were the ones to lead it. There were 4 interns who volunteered to each lead an element of the morning meeting. It was encouraging to see the kind of things they are putting into practice in their classrooms come to life as they taught their peers.

On that day, we also focused on accountable talk and how to foster communication in our different classrooms. We are looking forward to seeing them put this new information into practice as they bring it back to their classrooms!

## **INTERN UPDATE**

### **CONNECT WITH AN INTERN**

The end of the school year is fast approaching and the interns will be leaving soon. Now would be a great time to plan some time with your student's class intern. Invite them to dinner, a movie, a sports event, any upcoming activity you and your family enjoy.

### **HAVE AN EXTRA SUITCASE?**

As we head into the final months of the school year, the interns will be preparing to return to their home countries and will soon realize they have more stuff to take home with them than they came with!

If you have an extra suitcase you could donate, please drop it off at the EHSI office with Marin Lindberg, the Intern Program Coordinator. Thank you!

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### **SPRING INTERN FESTIVAL**

The Spring Intern Festival takes place during the school day on Wednesday, May 17. We need parent volunteers to help with set up, clean up, assist interns, and more. Check out what is needed, and if something fits in your schedule that day, sign up at this [Link](#).

### **SEF ROLES - IMMEDIATE NEEDS**

Below are current SEF volunteer needs. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please contact Toni Alcantar at [tma@bluedoglaw.com](mailto:tma@bluedoglaw.com).

#### **COMMUNICATIONS CHAIR**

Communicate SEF and intern related events, fundraising and other needs to immersion families via emails, back pack flyers and Facebook posts to help support the intern program. Templates and training will be provided and would be able to shadow current Communications Chair for one year. As a standing committee chair, is a voting member of SEF board. Attend monthly SEF board meetings. Reports to SEF Board of Directors.

#### **INTERN TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR**

Assist interns in finding transportation throughout the year for their activities, maintain list of volunteer drivers on transportation website, and help coordinate drivers for intern cultural exchange events with Intern Events Coordinator. Maintain/update Intern Transportation website. Reports to the Intern Committee Chair.

#### **INTERN EVENTS COORDINATOR**

Works with the intern committee members planning monthly events for the interns and creating a schedule for interns, host families and intern committee. Involves coordinating intern transportation and venue details as needed. Past examples include the Intern Welcome Party, Skiing at Hyland Hills, Limo Lights Tour, MOA Shopping, etc. Reports to the Intern Committee Chair.

## FUNDRAISING

### TEACHER TIME RAFFLE & EHSI COIN DRIVE RESULTS

First of all, THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the Teacher Time Raffle and EHSI Coin Drive. The students look forward to these two events every year, so thank you to the teachers for generously donating their time, thank you to the parents for purchasing raffle tickets, and thank you to the students for bringing in your change for the coin drive.

Teacher Time Raffle raised \$5,811 and the EHSI Coin Drive raised \$3,061. Together, the two events raised **\$8,872** supporting the SEF Intern Program!

Sra. Davila's class won the Coin Drive challenge filling their bucket the most times, so they get to dump ice water on Sr. Moncada and their class intern. Congratulations Sra. Davila's class!!

The Eden Prairie High School is finishing up their Intern Coin Drive this week, so we should have a total after Spring Break.

### CINCO DE MAYO FIESTA

SATURDAY, MAY 6 | OLYMPIC HILLS GOLF CLUB | 6:30-11:30 PM



Mark your calendars... the Spanish Education Fund's 12th Annual Cinco de Mayo Fiesta is on May 6!

#### TICKETS

Tickets for the event go on sale April 10 at 8 am and end on May 1 at 10 pm. Tickets are \$60 per person and half of the ticket price is a donation directly to the SEF Intern Program. So, just by attending you are supporting the interns!

#### DONATIONS

We are looking for donations for our Cork Pull (bottles of wine valued at \$30 or more), Live Auction and Silent Auction. Need some ideas about what to donate? [Here is a list of suggestions](#). Use the [Auction Donation Form](#) to submit your donations. Questions? Contact Andrea Mohan at [aemohan.cdn@gmail.com](mailto:aemohan.cdn@gmail.com).