

# Pilot School News

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## From the Principal

*To get through the hardest journey we need take only one step at a time, but we must keep on stepping.* **Chinese Proverbs**

Every family, staff member and volunteer is a pillar that supports our Murray community. Relationships are more critical now than ever. We as a society have a long way to go to address the inequities that play out every day. It's through these strong community relationships that we will be able to engage in courageous conversations, interrupt broken systems and ultimately raise ourselves and our community up to be better tomorrow than we are today. Through this journey, I feel blessed to be surrounded by the student leaders, staff leaders and community leaders that roll up their sleeves and dig in on the work. We are so very proud of our Murray students with all that they have accomplished and the impact they will all have in the days, months and years to come. Our students are brilliant, compassionate, motivated, and caring. As we close out school year 19/20, I want to let families know that we look forward to partnering with you on the work ahead, we deeply hope that school returns to some degree of normalcy as soon as possible and we miss you all greatly.

I am going to end our last newsletter of 19/20 with a couple of McKenzie closings I often use with staff and students.

Make it a great summer...the choice is ours.  
Murray loves you.

### Celebrations –

Murray Families - Through the numerous challenges we have encountered this year, I want to express my deepest gratitude for your ongoing support and guidance. Murray continues to stand strong and ready to serve our students because of your commitment and partnership with us. Thank you, Murray families, for all you do.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rotary Award Winners – Congratulations to our 8th grade Rotary Forward Rotation Award Winners!!!!

Jeremiah Ayala, Lee Karan, Abdi Aman, DeJuan Edwards, Brittney Hallman, Ellery Tennison, Thierry Tetevi, Aaronn Woods, Bee Sandstrom-McGuire

I work throughout most of the summer. Please continue to reach out to me if you have questions and/or concerns at [jamin.mckenzie@spps.org](mailto:jamin.mckenzie@spps.org) .

Be well and be healthy.

Your Co-Pilot,

Jamin McKenzie  
Principal, Murray Middle School

# 2020 GRADS

This is a free service to help the class of 2020 get special recognition online  
Welcome! We're thrilled to help you tell the world how happy you are about your student's achievements and graduation. We will host it on our web site for one year!

The following three questions are for confirmation. We will not publish this information.

\* What's your name?  
First

\* What's your email address?  
Last

\* Best phone number for us to  
contact you?

(111) 222-3333

You will be your personal when this is  
published.

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## 2020 GRADS

VIEW ALL GRADS - HONOR MY GRAD

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL  
Sally Bender

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HONORS: National Honor Society,  
OTHER ACTIVITIES: Debate club, theater, jazz band  
SPORTS: Tennis and golf teams.

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**Zach Richards**  
Dean's List, High Distinction,  
Debate Club, Mock Trial,  
Tennis and golf teams ...



**James**  
Jazz band, Future engi  
Essay Win



**Lily Hunter**  
Senior Class President,  
National Honor Society,  
Theater and dance ...



**Sean Heyman**  
Basketball and track teams,  
Model United Nations. Most  
likely to succeed ...

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UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
Zach Richards

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RECOGNITIONS: Dean's List  
OTHER HONORS: High Distinction  
OTHER ACTIVITIES: Debate Club, Mock Trial  
SPORTS: Tennis and golf teams  
FAVORITES: Homecoming is always a blast, vibrant atmosphere,  
friendly people.

QUOTABLE  
"Quit worrying  
about stupid  
things."

TOP TEN  
FAVORITE  
FOODS

1. Pizza
2. Pizza
3. Pizza
4. Chocolate  
cookies
5. Potato chips
6. Soda
7. Any dessert
8. Burgers
9. Mom's pie
10. Pizza

A STORY: I'll always remember Prof. Larsen and how he made a topic I  
thought would be boring (International Relations) into something I want  
to spend my life pursuing. Who knew I'd enjoy negotiating and cultural  
studies?

HIGHLIGHTS: In sophomore year, my roommates and I really hit it off -  
we ate, studied and traveled (DAYTONA BEACH YEAH!!!) together, and  
found off-campus apartments to share since then. Now we're planning  
Aires gave me so many great memories.

JOBS: Campus 911 dispatcher, development office assistant, admissions  
office assistant.

ETC.: We took some of the best road trips. Whenever we could, we set up  
our class schedule so we had three-day weekends, and could hit the road.  
We went everywhere; Chicago to listen to the blues, Kansas City to eat  
barbecue, Des Moines because Evan's grandma lives there, the Mall of  
America because we wanted to go to Legoland and The Void, St. Louis to  
listen to the blues and eat barbecue!

LOOKING FORWARD: A little time off, then it's time to find a job. Grad  
school may be in my future, too.



Good luck, buddy!



BECAUSE THIS YEAR  
IS DIFFERENT

# We want to honor your grad!

The class of 2020 has it tough and we want to help you do something special for them. We've launched an online feature to help parents tell the world how proud you are of your 2020 grad — whether it's high school, college or even elementary school.

• We're offering a **FREE photo and listing** of your grad's sports, honors and activities, displayed in a grid with all the other grads. Each grad will also have their own page and we'll host it all online for a year.

• **Want to really make a splash about your grad?** You can expand their page with fun family photos, highlights, memories, a favorite quote, a top 10 list. You can even invite family and friends to contribute to their page.

**The best part is that it's all easy.** Just fill out a simple form at [Monitor.HonorMyGrad.com](http://Monitor.HonorMyGrad.com) and you're set.

# Monitor

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**ATTENTION MURRAY THEATER ALUMNI:**

We need your help! Please contribute to a fundraiser video.

**Record video clips of yourself responding to the prompts about your experience with Murray's Theater Department. Specific instructions are below. Email Ms. Sorcha Nix at [theater.murray@gmail.com](mailto:theater.murray@gmail.com) with questions.**

Not only are this year's students missing out on the opportunity to perform and share the production they've worked so incredibly hard on, but the theater department stands to lose a lot of money. We usually make enough money from ticket and concession sales to fund the following year's show, so this fundraiser is very important. Please help by sending in video clips!

Link to instructions: <https://tinyurl.com/y84srttw>



### Annual Student Health Information

\* Shots required for 7<sup>th</sup> grade

#### Health Conditions:

Notify the school nurse assigned to your school if your child has a health condition or takes medication during the school day. The school nurse will work with you to create a health plan for your student.

#### Immunizations:

State law (MS 121A.15) requires that each student enrolled in a Minnesota school be protected from childhood diseases by receiving immunizations. Parents/guardians may obtain a legal exemption for medical reasons or conscientious beliefs.

Kindergarten:	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) – 2 doses given after age 12 months (1 month apart)</li> <li>Hepatitis B – 3 doses</li> <li>Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis – 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> dose must be given after the age of 4</li> <li>Varicella – 2 doses given after age 12 months (or previous history of Chicken Pox verified by Health Care Provider if disease was in 2010 or later)</li> <li>Polio – 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> dose, must be given after the age of 4</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) – 2 doses given after age 12 months (1 month apart)</li> <li>Hepatitis B – 3 doses</li> <li>Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis Booster (Tdap) given at age 7 or older + a minimum of 2 DT's</li> <li>Varicella – 2 doses (or previous history of Chicken Pox verified by Health Care Provider if disease was in 2010 or later)</li> <li>Meningococcal (MCV4) – age 10 and older</li> <li>Polio – 3 doses</li> </ul>

#### Resources for Immunizations:

- \* St. Paul-Ramsey County Public Health by Appointment only 651-266-1234
- \* Student Placement Center, Saint Paul Public Schools (Uninsured or State Health Insurance only) 651-632-3763

#### Physical Examinations for Sports Participation:

\* The Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) requires a sports qualifying physical examination every 3 years to participate on any school sponsored athletic team. The sports qualifying physical examination report must state whether the student can participate in all school interscholastic activities without restrictions or must state any necessary restrictions. Health examinations are not required for school. Below are some of the clinics where health examinations and sport physicals are available:

• Health Start School Based Clinics	Located at SPPS High Schools	
• Eastside Family Clinic	895 E. 7 <sup>th</sup> St.	651-772-9757
• Open Cities Health Center	409 Dunlap St. N.	651-290-9200
• United Family Practice Health Center	1026 W. 7 <sup>th</sup> St.	651-241-1000
• West Side Community Health Center/La Clinica	153 Cesar Chavez St.	651-222-1816

Immunization and Health/Physical Exam forms can be found at: <http://www.spps.org/Domain/10337>.

Please submit information to your child's school Health Office, scan and email to [student.wellness@spps.org](mailto:student.wellness@spps.org), fax to 651-632-3731, or mail to:

Health Office  
ATTN: Immunizations & Sports Physicals  
2102 University Ave. W.  
St. Paul, MN 55114.

\* Murray Middle School \*  
School Nurse Fax:  
651-717-4881

**Healthy students make better learners!**