

Voyageurs News

August 2015

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We hope that you have had a relaxing, enjoyable summer. Things at school have been busy with summer painting and cleaning, a little bit of remodeling and hiring of new staff as we have grown to our maximum enrollment for the 2015/2016 school year and have waiting lists in most grades.

Staff hiring: We have hired three new staff and have a new AmeriCorp Promise Fellow for the 2015/2016 school year.

1. Linda Shaw-Benson - Middle School Special Education

Linda has many years of experience as a Special Education Teacher in Bagley; Ponemah and as a substitute in a variety of districts in the area.

2. Jennifer Bisson - Native American Home School Liaison

Jennifer joins the staff to be a resource for our Native American students and parents to help navigate their education with success. Jennifer is an enrolled member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and grew up in the Cass Lake area. Jennifer most recently worked at the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig school in Bena.

3. Samantha Whillock - AmeriCorp Promise Fellow

Sam will be replacing Emma Schaper as our AmeriCorp Promise Fellow for the upcoming school year. (Emma's year of service ended July 31). Sam is from southern Minnesota and is also taking classes at BSU to obtain her teaching license in Elementary education.

4. Rachel Dwyer - Food service/Custodian

Rachel is joining the staff as our food service/custodial support for the year.

Intakes:

Each student in order to attend Voyageurs must complete an intake each year with an advisor. Jean will be making contact with each family about a time to come in for your intake appointment with an advisor. If you don't hear from her by August 21, 2015, please give us a call at 444-3130. *If you were enrolled at Voyageurs at the end of the school year, you are automatically re-enrolled at Voyageurs for the upcoming school year. If for some reason you plan to switch to a different school, please let us know right away as we have a waiting list in most grades.*

Intakes will be held on Tuesday, September 1 during daytime hours and Wednesday, September 2nd, stretching into the evening.

First day of school:

The first day of school at Voyageurs for the 2015/2016 school year will be Tuesday, September 8th, busing schedules, food service information, school calendar, etc. will be shared at your intake appointment.

School Supplies:

Generally we don't require a ton of school supplies, we would suggest having a few notebooks; some pencils/pens and folders to keep your work organized.

Contact:

If you have questions and/or concerns about your student attending school at Voyageurs, please give us a call at 444-3130 or e-mail: Excel@VoyageursSchool.org. Looking forward to visiting with you in a couple of weeks and hoping you enjoy your last few weeks of summer.

