



**Minneapolis Kids**  
Minneapolis Community Education

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# Words of Windom

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## Non-School Day News

We have some great non-school days (release days) coming up!

### October 15th: Big Thrill Factory, Minnetonka, 9:45am-2:30pm

\* We'll have a blast in the Time Challenge, Fun Factory, Laser Tag, and Arcade! Kids should wear socks.

### October 16th: Gale Woods Farm, Minnetrista, 9:30am-3:00pm

\*Get ready to make some apple cider, learn the ways of the farm, and don't get lost in the hay bale maze! Kids should wear outdoor attire.

### October 17th: Fall Festival (on-site at Kenny)

\*At Kenny, we'll be celebrating all things autumn with cooking, projects and games!



### October 31st: Mystery Day (on-site at Kenny)

\* This day is so mysterious, the plans are classified! Get ready for a day of detective work and monstrous fun!

### Non-School Day Reminders

- Please note that they will all be at **Kenny Elementary**. The address is 5720 Emerson Ave. and you will enter **Door #6 in the parking lot**. You will NOT go in the main front door like in the summer.
- Children need appropriate outdoor clothing on a daily basis.
- A lunch from home is required on all non-school days. An afternoon snack is provided by MPLS Kids.

### PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

We are seeking a Parent Advisory Rep for Windom MPLS Kids.  
The advisory council meets once every two months at the MPS District Office and discuss items such as programming, budget and the vision of MPLS Kids. Childcare & dinner is served.

## Registration System

We are excited to start a new registration system! Please update your online profile— particularly your authorized pick-ups. One major change is that authorized pick-ups will sign an iPad and select their name from a draw-down menu when they check out their child.

### Kids Welcome:

After School: 2:00-6:00 pm  
Non-school days: 6:30am-6:00pm

## New Staff

Hi, my name is **Stephanie Escobedo** and I attend Augsburg College to get my Elementary Education teaching license with a minor in French. Last year I participated in MN Reading Corps as a literacy tutor, and also as a teacher for a summer program called Freedom Schools. I am very excited to participate in MPLS Kids, and I am sure that this is going to be a fantastic school year.



My name is **Ana Vite Melchor**. I am bilingual. I have worked with children for over 11 years. I have independently pursued personal and professional growth having reached level 5 on the Metropolitan Professional Development Career lattice for early childhood professional. In 2013 I completed the Montessori Assistants Training Course. I have worked with Community Ed during the after-school programs throughout the school year. I am very excited to be working with Minneapolis Kids at Windom.

## Important Notes

- MPLS Kids tries to have all children get out and play at least once during their day at MPLS Kids. Please make sure that your child has appropriate outdoor attire and please label everything with their name!
- With this chillier weather and more layers, remind kids never to share hats! We will go over some lice-prevention procedures (not playing with their friends' hair, not sharing hair ties and barrettes), but please remind your children as well!

