

# Our School Newsletter

February 09

## Congratulations, Aislinn Mayfield!

Aislinn Mayfield, a 6<sup>th</sup> grade Sister Academy student was the winner of the Minnesota Timberwolves Black History essay, poetry and art contest. Aislinn's sketch won first place in the art division of the contest. The prize: two all-expenses paid trips to Atlanta, GA on March 22-24. She will visit several historical sites and attend the Timberwolves game against the Atlanta Hawks.

Aislinn's sketch was based on a saying that surfaced during President Obama's election:

**"Rosa sat so Martin could walk,  
Martin walked so Obama could run  
Obama ran so children can fly."**

Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> Sister Academy has been invited to attend the Timberwolves game at 7:00 PM to watch the game and support Aislinn as she receives her prize.



## Congratulations, Mackaya Ramlet & Monet Dixon

Congratulations Mckayla Ramlet and Monet Dixon – 2009 University of Minnesota Black History Month Essay Contest 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winners!

Ms. Ramlet, a 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Sister Academy, won 1<sup>st</sup> Place and 5<sup>th</sup> grader, Ms. Dixon took 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in a very competitive and close essay contest between 5 schools who attended this year's event. The First Place winner receives a laptop computer donated by Jostens Inc. along with a host of other goodies!

We will feature each of the girls in next month's issue of Our Newsletter.

## Parent Liaison Position Filled!

Mr. Vusumuzi Zulu who has been our Babas (Social Fathers) Program Coordinator since September 2008 has taken on additional responsibilities effective February 2, 2009. Mr. Zulu

is our new Parent Liaison. He continues to facilitate the Babas Program in addition to assuming the duties of the Parent Liaison. Some of his duties are parent communication, work with EFN (Extended Family Network), Core Parents,

volunteer coordinator, snacks, work with current and develop new community partners. Please join with me in welcoming Mr. Zulu to his new position. He is currently located in 315W in the Harvest Prep/Sister Academy building.



*Liaison Position*

## Calendar

**February 24** Field Trip 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>  
Graders all schools to U of M

**February 25<sup>th</sup>** – AM – Stepping  
Stone Theatre/Ruby Bridges –  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Harvest Prep (Ms.  
Beatty & Ms. Johnson)

**February 26** Ninas Program  
9:00 AM

**February 27** Progress Reports  
Due

**February 27<sup>th</sup>** – 9 AM – Noon –  
Three Rivers Park District – 5<sup>th</sup>  
– Best Academy

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>** – 6<sup>th</sup>

MCA Practice Tests  
Reading and Math  
Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>

**March 18<sup>th</sup>** – 10 AM – Noon -  
Three Rivers Park District –  
Kindergarten

**March 18<sup>th</sup>** – 12:15 – 1:45 PM  
- Three Rivers Park District –  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Best Academy

**March 19<sup>th</sup>** – 10 AM - Noon -  
Three Rivers Park District –  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Best Academy

**March 24<sup>th</sup>**  
Babas BA 9 – 10 AM

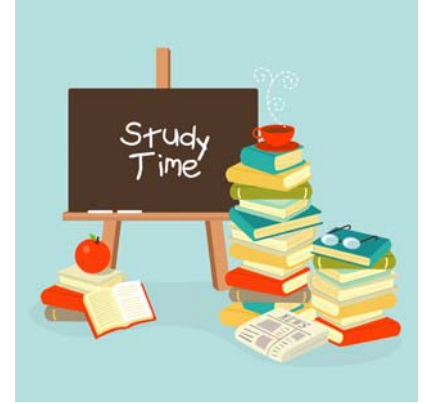
**March 19<sup>th</sup>** – 12:15 – 1:45 PM  
- Three Rivers Park District –  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Best Academy

**March 20<sup>th</sup>** – 10 AM - 12:15  
PM - Three Rivers Park  
District – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Best  
Academy

**March 26<sup>th</sup>**  
Nina's SA 9 – 10 AM

In house Field Trip  
All Day / Ms. Gardner -  
Arboretum  
4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Graders  
(HP/BA/SA)

**March 27<sup>th</sup> assembly**



## Fare For All—Stretch Your Food Budget

### Fare For All--Stretch Your Food Budget

Fare For All, Emergency Food Network's (EFN) largest supplemental food program is open to anyone who wants to save money on their groceries. Seniors, working families, individuals who are both employed and unemployed, or individuals on fixed incomes have the opportunity to save 40-50% off their monthly food budgets and access fresh fruits and veggies, frozen meats of all kinds, and a

variety of non-perishable staple items.

#### *Fare for All Express!*

Program offers people the ability to take their groceries home with them at the time of payment. No pre-registration or pre-payment is necessary - simply drop by the distribution center pay with your EBT card (Food Support), cash, money order or credit card/debit card! (*Fare For All Express! No linger accepts checks. We apologize for any inconvenience.*)

### 3 Current Packages:

**Regular Pack \$17** – The Regular Pack contains 2-3 fresh fruits, 4-5 fresh vegetables and 4-5 frozen meat items.

**Meat Only Pack \$12** – The Meat Only pack includes a variety of 4-5 meat items such as beef, chicken, fish, and pork.

**Vegetarian Pack \$10** – The Vegetarian pack contains a generous amount of fresh fruits and vegetables, often accompanied by a dry food item such as rice, beans, pasta or peanut butter.

### North Point

Saturdays: 10:00 AM - Noon -  
Feb 14, Mar 14, Apr 11, May 9,  
June 13, July 11, Aug 15, Sept  
12, Oct 10, Nov 7  
1315 Penn Ave. N.  
Minneapolis, MN 55411

For additional information and other sites: [www.fareforall.com](http://www.fareforall.com) or (763) 450-3880

**Note to Parents:** All students have homework every day!  
Make sure that your child completes her/his.



**Student of the Month: January 2009**  
**Harvest Prep.**

Student	Teacher	Grade	Student of the Month	Principle Ujamaa
Heaven Flowers	Keller	K	X	
Isaiah Williams	Keller	K	X	
D’Najah Sloan Graham	Olsen	K	X	
Aaliyah Jones	Olsen	K	X	
JaVon Smith	Howell	1st	X	
Nakya Henry	Howell	1st	X	
Cornelius Wooten	Humphrey	1st	X	
Santigie Kanu	Humphrey	1st	X	
Keah Spurgeon	Larson	2nd	X	
Ariyonna Motley	Larson	2nd	X	
Tecorriea Ayler-Leake	Nelson	2nd	X	
Naji Walker	Nelson	2nd	X	
Jymila Ashman	Beatty	3rd	X	
Trolane Moore	Beatty	3rd	X	
Fatima Abdul-Wadud	Martin	4th	X	
Chrishona Bradley	Martin	4th	X	
Dennis Lombel	Keller	K		X
Cydni Martinez-Deleon	Olsen	K		X
Makiah Mabry	Howell	1st		X
Alyanna Dixon	Humphrey	1st		X
Jataejah Hubbard	Larson	2nd		X
Aja Wheeler	Nelson	2nd		X
Trolane Moore	Beatty	3rd		X
Rickita Morris-Barber	Martin	4th		X

**Student of the Month: January 2009**  
**The Best Academy**

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Student	Teacher	Grade	Student of the Month	Principle of the Month: Ujamaa
Jordan Church	Doyle	1st	X	
JuQuez Tillman	Doyle	1st	X	
Jalen Shockley	Foluke	3rd	X	
Yssach Lankford	Foluke	3rd	X	
Christian Bullard	Pajak	5th	X	
Damon Lewis	Pajak	5th	X	
Tyree Slater	Pajak	5th	X	
Nickullos Burrell	Pajak	5th	X	
Zahir Myles-Lee	Pajak	6th	X	
Grayson Gray	Pajak	6th	X	
JuQuez Tillman	Doyle	1st		X
Alijah Washington	Foluke	3rd		X