



Spring 2016



303 dads and their daughters enjoyed an enchanted evening and danced the night away at the eighth annual **Daddy/Daughter Dance** this spring. Proceeds benefit Community Education youth enrichment class scholarships.

Connections Preschool is currently serving 92 three year olds and 388 four year olds for a total of **480 preschoolers!**

Did you know? There are **over 50 new class offerings** for adults this spring and summer including: *How to Brew Your Own Kombucha*, *On Location Photography with Peter Wong*, *Good Bugs/Bad Bugs*, *Fresh Start to Exercise* and *Fingerpainting for Adults*, to name a few.



This winter, **adult dance** had a big spike in enrollment from previous sessions with **76 total enrollments**. Haven't you always wanted to know how to do the Cha-Cha? Adult winter enrichment total enrollment was 1,530, an increase over the previous year.

Adult Basic Education | ABE completed a successful new test prep pilot class at South of the River Education Center in the Burnsville Workforce Center. The class **prepared pre-nursing students for the TEAS test in which a high score is required for entrance** to Inver Hills Community College nursing program.

Project Explore serves adults with physical and developmental cognitive disabilities. Their dances are known throughout the community as an evening not to miss ... **477 attended the Valentine's Dance** and **427 attended the St. Patrick's Day Dance!**

Aquatics program staff **trained 119 students** during the winter holiday break! Approximately a third of them are now employed at our middle school pools **to keep everyone safe!** Aquatics staff also taught a seven day *Wilderness First Aid* course at the School of Environmental Studies for students, the fourth year of our training partnership.

Over **150 youth** took part in spring break offerings at Blackhawk, Falcon Ridge middle schools and cosponsored activities with Apple Valley Community Center. That makes for 150 kids that were **engaged, inspired and in a safe learning environment** during school break!

Long lines extended outside school entrance doors at our high schools and one middle school while we hosted the Minnesota Caucus March 1. **Over 5,400 people participated in the caucus** and facilities staff and district custodial staff reported that things ran smoothly!



25 adult learners attended *Intro and Prep for Community Interpreter Training* offered by Adult Basic Education | ABE this February through April.

After work classes had a total of **85 District 196 staff participating in Yoga and Oula fitness.**

We have **developed business connections** by providing professional training. In November, we provided *Water Safety and CPR Training* for 12 physical therapists working for **Centrex Rehabilitation Services** and *CPR and First Aid Training* to 13 members of the **Dakota County Ski Patrol.**



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