

EDUCATION

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Minnesota Education Fair planned at RRCC

RRCC STAFF REPORT

All high school students contemplating post-secondary education, technical training, or military service after graduation are welcome to attend the Minnesota Education Fair hosted by Rainy River Community College set for 10:30 a.m. to noon Sept. 16 at the RRCC Gymnasium. Students will be able to talk to representatives from nearly 50 educational institutions and other organiza-

tions. Attend alone or with friends – parents are also welcome. Save time at the fair by registering personal information and creating a barcode to be scanned at the fair by visiting gotocollegefairs.com. More information is available at high school counseling offices. Admission is free. RRCC is a member of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System and is an equal opportunity educator and employer.

EDUCATION BRIEF

Gunnar Anderson, son of Charlie Anderson and Jennifer Wenberg-Anderson, International Falls, has enrolled at Saint John's University for the 2013-14 academic year.

Classroom like mother, like daughter

BY LAURA LANE
The Herald-Times

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — There's another Miller with long blond hair in charge of kindergarten students at University Elementary School this year. She resembles the former Mrs. Miller, quite a lot. The new teacher is Amanda Miller, daughter of Nancy Miller, who taught kindergarten at the Bloomington elementary school for 34 years before retiring. Her daughter, known to her 23 students as Miss Miller, is one of 37 new teachers the Monroe County Community School Corp. hired for full-time slots this school year, The Herald-Times reported. Miller, 29, grew up in Bloomington, got a bachelor's degree in psychology and sociology at the University of Arizona and then a master's degree in elementary education. She taught kindergarten for four years at St. Clement School in Chicago before coming back home to Bloomington. And to her mom's old job. Miller applied for a second-grade teaching position at University Elementary earlier this month. Her resume made the initial cut, and when it got close to interview time, the school secretary called to arrange the date and time. When she asked the applicant if she knew how to get to the school, Miller replied that her mom had taught there for a long time, so she knew the way. The interview, on a Monday, went well. Miller was offered the job that Friday, and she started work three days later getting her classroom ready for students who showed up just two days later. This week on Monday, Miss Miller was teaching her students letters, numbers, colors and more. They sat on an ABC plush rug as she read aloud the book "Alphabet Adventure." Like her mother, Miller has mastered

the kindergarten-teacher art of holding a book open wide with one hand so all can see, while following the words on the page from an awkward side angle. Pointing a finger to pictures on the page, she helped the 15 boys and eight girls in her charge sound out words. "Guh-guh grape. Huh-huh heart. Mmm magnet. Puh-puh pie. Ruh-ruh rocket. Zzzzz zipper." She has that kindergarten-teacher voice, a balanced mix of volume, pitch, kindness and authority. And she can sing, another kindergarten teacher requirement. When things get loud, she claps a special pattern and the students join in — all goes quiet, for a few moments. When the kids get restless during story time, she encourages them to "check our bodies" to make sure everyone is sitting "crisscross applesauce." When their hands get too busy, she sings a song learned from her mom

where students hold up their hands, make a fist, then let it go, then clap "and lay them in your lap." During one lesson, Miller sent two boys to the window to observe, asking them to return with a weather report. "Sunny, and cloudy," Coleman and Nehemia stated. "Hot." Some things stay the same in kindergarten. During free time, kids could choose from a wooden kitchen play set, a puppet theater or puzzles. But there are some new options these days: the iPad table and the computer area. On the chalkboard, in bright colors, Miss Miller has written the rules of kindergarten, and of life. Those do not change, not even 35 years after her mom's first teaching days. "Be kind and share. Keep your personal space. Help others. Respect everyone. Always listen. Have fun."

Request for Bids KOOTASCA Community Action, Inc.

KOOTASCA Community Action, Inc. is soliciting bids for the installation of Residential Water Lines from curbside to residence on approximately 10 residences in the City of Ranier. Contractors interested in bidding on these projects may receive a Contractor Application package by calling Tom Gilmore at 218-999-0827 or by stopping in to the main office located in the Central Square Mall, 201 NW 4th Street Suite 130, Grand Rapids, MN. 55744. Proof of applicable Licensing and Insurances are required. KOOTASCA Community Action, Inc. provides equal employment and contracting opportunities (EEO) to all employees and applicants for employment and contracting opportunities without regard to race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, marital status, amnesty, or status as a covered veteran in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws. KOOTASCA Community Action, Inc. complies with applicable state and local laws governing non-discrimination in employment and contracting opportunities in every location in which the agency has facilities. This policy applies to all terms and conditions of employment and contracting opportunities including, but not limited to, hiring, placement, promotion, termination, layoff, recall, transfer, leave of absence, compensation, contracts and training.



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Project Designation: SAP 036-598-029 (CR 71) Bridge replacement and grading on CR 71

Project Location: On CR 71, appx. 0.8 miles east of TH 65, appx. 6.75 miles south of Littlefork. Total Length – 0.04 miles, incl. bridge approach work

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- removal of existing timber bridge (appx. 22' long), Existing Bridge No. 93477
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- appx. 681 CY of Common Excavation
- appx. 287 CU YD of Common Borrow
- appx. 386 tons of Aggregate Base Class 5

Proposals, Plans and Specifications are available at:
Koochiching County Highway Department
715 4th Street
Int'l. Falls, MN 56449

Cost for Plans: Cost of one set of plans and proposals is \$75 (Minnesota State Sales Tax Included). There is no cost for electronic plans and specs, they are at <https://egram.co.koochiching.mn.us> or phone (218) 283-1186 or email to joseph.sutherland@co.koochiching.mn.us.

Bidder's Bond: Bids must be accompanied by a certified check or bidder's bond made payable to the Treasurer of Koochiching County in an amount not less than 5% of the total bid.

Bid shall be plainly marked on the exterior of the containing envelope: **"2013 Box Culvert, Letting Date, September 19, 2013".**

The County Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities and informalities therein, and to award the contract in the best interests of Koochiching County.

Dated at International Falls, Minnesota**August 27, 2013.**
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