

arbor metropolitan school district newsletter



May is bug month at Arbor's elementary and middle schools.
Our synchronized curriculum allows all grades to participate in themed explorations and mentoring.

## **Upcoming Field Trips**

Grades 1 & 2 With magnifying glass in hand, our youngsters will go on a guided journey through a nearby nature preserve and see countless bugs up close.

**Grades 3 & 4** We'll visit the University Science Center's "World of Insects" exhibit and let the kids participate in a variety of hands-on activities and demonstrations.

**Grade 5** Our fifth-graders will tour the Forest Park Interpretive Exhibit, with special emphasis on learning about the invasive species that harm our natural surroundings.

**Grade 6** One of our favorite activities, we'll head for the Plaines River to witness the late-spring caddis fly hatch and learn about insects' important role in the river's ecosystem.

**Grades 7 & 8** Middle-schoolers will venture out for an exciting overnight excursion on which they'll learn about nocturnal insects like crickets, moths and fireflies.

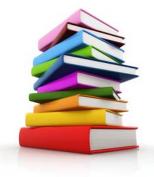
## Education may be recession proof, but paying for it isn't.

Every child deserves a quality education, and the Arbor School District is committed to finding alternative funding sources during these challenging economic times. Your child's education is an investment worth making, and it's one that requires everyone's support.

To help meet our ongoing financial needs, we're excited to announce this year's district-wide wine tasting and silent auction event. While there are many ways you can contribute, the most impactful means of doing so is by donating goods and/or services as auction items, and by bidding on those offered by other parents and faculty.

I'm reminded every day of the ways in which you-the parents who entrust the Arbor School District with their children's educational development-contribute to our schools' overall success. We simply could not provide our award-winning curriculum and nurture our very special community without your ongoing support.





## Our Learning Resource Center has a new, earthfriendly multifunction printer!

The Xerox ColorQube MFP produces beautiful, lesson-enhancing color documents for a fraction of what we used to pay for color, and produces 90 percent less waste!