

Back 2 School Bash event for families

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Merrick Community Services' East Side Heritage Project presented its first Back 2 School Bash for families on September 24, 2010 at Merrick Community Center in St. Paul.

The goal of this event was to promote an awareness of services, activities and community resources available for families on the East Side. Vendors participating in this event were from schools, banks, and other community groups along with the St. Paul Fire and Police Department. These activities were organized by Jennifer Watson.

Families were involved in games, a raffle, dance and a fashion show. There was even a hoop competition and the opportunity to learn some basketball fundamentals. Music for this event was provided by DJs from Mr. Tattoo Studio and Milkman Entertainment. Several community leaders and elders offered words of encouragement to parents emphasizing the need for them to be more involved with their children's schools.



Merrick Community Services' East Side Heritage Project is a program of academic enrichment, cultural awareness, mentoring and support for African American youth ages 5 to 14 and their families on St. Paul's East Side. To provide effective and relevant services, MCS collaborates and partners with the African American Academy for Accelerated Learning, Cultural Wellness Center, Network for the Development of Children of African Descent and Past Athletes

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Concerned about Education. The core elements are life skills, mentoring, tutoring and cultural awareness. Funding for the East Side Heritage Project is provided by the St. Paul Children's Collaborative.

For further information about the East Side Heritage Project and upcoming events, please contact Merrick Community Services at (651) 771-9339.

