

Morey Weekly Communications

For the Week: September 22 – 26 and beyond

Morey Ice Bucket Attendance Challenge:

Principal Tonk has challenged every Advisory next week. The Advisory with the best attendance will win a turn at dumping buckets of ice on the Morey Staff stepping up for the challenge. Morey families help support your child to meet this challenge. May the Best Advisory Win!

Seeking Morey Families to Step Up:

We have such amazing families here at Morey. We are seeking families who can supply Morey with Coffee Donations for upcoming events, possible restaurant nights to engage the Morey community and raise money for our school, and microwave donations (right now we have only one in the cafeteria). Also, if anyone has gently used back packs, some of our students could use one. Contact Jeannette Ekstrand, Morey's Family Service Liaison at 720.424.0737 or by email: jeannette_ekstrand@comcast.net

Important Dates:

Tuesday, September 23, Superintendent Parent Forum: Supt. Tom Boasberg and the Board of Education invite parents to learn how they can partner with DPS to support our goal of great schools in every neighborhood at the Superintendent Parent Forum on Sept. 23. There are two identical sessions in the morning and evening. Translation, meals and child care is provided at no cost to participants. DPS parents/guardians should RSVP by calling 720-423-2283 or by visiting [the FACE website](http://face.dpsk12.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/SeptForumEN.pdf). For more details: <http://face.dpsk12.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/SeptForumEN.pdf>

2015-2016 Denver Public Schools Magnet Highly Gifted Program Nomination Form: Application

Deadline: October 3: Stop by Conference Room 134 across from Main Office to pick up an application and information about the HGT Magnet Program. Also, you may get the application from the DPS Highly Gifted Website: <http://gt.dpsk12.org/>

DATE CHANGE!!!! DESTINATION IMAGINATION (DI) TEAMS FORMING: INFORMATION MEETING

Thursday, Oct. 2

Calling all interested students and potential team managers- meet 3:15-4:30 pm, Thursday, October 2 in the Library. We will introduce this year's challenges and collect names in order to form teams. Teams are formed around challenge preference, grade, friendships, schedules, team managers, etc. Some teams will start immediately, and others may start in November/December. DI is the world's largest creative problem solving competition. Check out the DI Global website www.idodi.org and the Colorado site www.extremecreativity.org. Please contact Michelle Miller (Morey parent) at mdweston@aol.com or 303-886-3398 to learn more.

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) – After School Club

Do you like to build things? Do you like to see how things work? Are you a problem solver that likes to tinker? If so the Technology Student Association (TSA) Club at Morey may be the after school program for you. Check out Ms. Gaston's website for more information:

<http://diane-gaston.wikispaces.dpsk12.org/TSA+Enrichment>

Support the 8th Grader Washington DC Trip

The Washington DC trip planning is underway. Some students will need to fundraise in order to pay for their trip. Please support our students through our first fundraiser of the year with the sale of the Chinook Book. Books are only \$20 and will include a code for a mobile coupon app with thousands of dollars of savings on local sustainable company's products and services. See Mrs. Gaston in Room 108 or buy your Chinook Book from an 8th grade student raising money for their trip. Order deadline is October 17, 2014.

Band/Orchestra News

If your child is in Band or Orchestra and you would like to be in the know regarding upcoming event(s) and special opportunities. Send your email address to Music Parent Coordinator, Elizabeth O'Donnell, csleo@earthlink.net. She will put you on the Music Parent mailing list. If you already signed up for the mailing list on Back to School Night I, she has your email.

Morey After School Clubs

The fun has begun! After school clubs are in full swing and all are welcome. Clubs end at 4:15 pm, unless otherwise noted. Here is the schedule:

Mondays: Chill Zone, Sports Zone, Choir/Glee Club, Documentary Film Club (4:30pm), CompuGirls (8th grade girls only, 5:15pm)

Tuesdays: Chill Zone, Sports Zone, Minecraft Club, Art Club, Ultimate Frisbee Club (4:30pm)

Wednesdays: Chill Zone, Sports Zone, Swim Club, Gardening & Cooking Club (4:45 pm), CompuGirls (8th grade girls only, 5:15pm)

Thursdays: Chill Zone, Sports Zone, Speech & Debate Club, Technology Student Association, WizKidz Computer Club, Yearbook Club, Student Council

A Morey After School Registration Form (bright yellow) is required in order to participate in After School Clubs. The fee is \$75/semester to cover the costs of instructors, coordination, and basic supplies, however no student will be turned away due to inability to pay. Registration forms and Scholarship forms are available in Room 102.

Information available at: <http://mnc.dpsk12.org/afterschool/> or contact Meryl Icove, Coordinator, Morey Neighborhood Center, meryl_icove@dpsk12.org.

Athletic Announcements

Tuesday Sept. 23, **Soccer Game** at Congress Park against KCAA at 3:45, Practice on Monday 9/22, Thursday 9/25

Tuesday Sept. 23, **Softball Game** at Congress Park against KCAA at 3:45, Practice on Monday 9/22, Wed. 9/24, Thurs. 9/25, Friday 9/26

Regular practice schedule for **Cross Country**, Possible meet on 9/26

Morey Weekly Announcements now on the Morey website under the Parent Tab:
www.morey.dpsk12.org

As always, feel free to get in touch with me if you have questions or concerns.
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