

Morey Weekly Communications

For the Week: September 8 – 12 and beyond

Important Morey Drop-Off & Pick Up Update:

- Drop off **ONLY** on Clarkson
- Drop off, Pick up, or School Meetings less than 30 minutes on Emerson & 14th
- Drop off & Pick up on 13th Ave
- All Kids on Black Top, every morning

Schedules

We are winding down with our schedule changes. Changes were made as a result of testing to ensure proper placement, class balancing, and requests from parents and students that we were able to accommodate. We believe this process is nearly complete.

Lockers

Parents: thank you for your patience in waiting for a locker to be assigned to your child. Since our passing periods are short in order to maximize learning time in class and in order to reduce the amount of time that kids can get themselves into trouble in the halls, it is difficult for students to go to their lockers between classes. To accommodate this, we are asking students to only go to their lockers before school, after school, and before the class they have before lunch. Because this will be our expectation, it is our goal to do our best to make sure that student lockers are close to their 4th or 5th period classrooms. This, of course, requires that we be very intentional in waiting until we are confident in our student schedules to assign lockers. We expect this to happen no later than Wednesday, September 10, and likely sooner than that. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Important Dates:

Thursday, September 11, 6pm – 7pm: HGT Parent Information Night (Prospective Parents) Prospective Parents, please join us in the Morey Middle School Library. Morey Middle School is the only middle school option offering an HGT Magnet program. This night will offer information on the HGT Magnet application process and specific information on the HGT Magnet Program offered at Morey Middle School. If you have any questions about the Morey HGT Magnet Program contact Kimberly Menetrier, Morey's HGT Coordinator at 720.424.0711 or Kimberly_menetrier@dpsk12.org. If you have general questions about Morey, please contact the principal, Noah Tonk at 720.424.0700. If you have questions about the application process, contact Rebecca McKinney in DPS's GT Department at 720.423.2067 or view their website, <http://gt.dpsk12.org/>

Saturday, September 13, 8:00am –S: Please contact Shana Wilhelm, Athletic Director, at 720-261-8757 to schedule an appointment.

Morey's Destination Imagination Information

Friday, October 3: Morey's globally recognized Destination Imagination program will form new teams this fall. Students and potential team managers, join us for a Destination Imagination Information Meeting after school in the Library. Check out the DI website <http://www.idodi.org> and contact Michelle Miller (Morey parent) at mdweston@aol.com or 303-886-3398 for more information.

PARENTS and STUDENTS of our AMAZING SPELLERS

The semantic challenge is ON here at Morey. If you are interested in training your brain for the ultimate test of phonetics contact Ms Menetrier via email or phone ASAP!

Kimberly_menetrier@dpsk12.org or 720-424-0711

Morey After School Clubs start Monday!

Next week, a few of our Morey After School clubs begin! Sports Zone and Chill Zone meet Monday through Thursday. Swim Club meets on Wednesday. The rest of the clubs begin the week of September 15. See attached schedule of clubs for the fall.

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/>

Fall 2014 After School Clubs Schedule

Mondays: Chill Zone, Sports Zone, Choir/Glee Club, Documentary Film Club, CompuGirls (8th grade only)

Tuesdays: Chill Zone, Sports Zone, Minecraft Club, Art Club, Ultimate Frisbee Club

Wednesdays: Chill Zone, Sports Zone, Swim Club, Gardening & Cooking Club, CompuGirls (8th grade only)

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

MOREY STUDENT COUNCIL

Student council members are leaders in the school. They serve as role models to their peers in areas of leadership and service. Does this sound like your child? If so, applications are available outside of room 105 and are due on September 19. Student council will meet on Thursdays after school starting Sept. 26. *For more information see Mrs. Huth in room 105.*

ATHLETICS NEWS

Boys Soccer:

Game: Monday Sept. 8th vs. Slavens at Slavens at 3:45pm.

Game: Thursday, Sept. 11 – at Congress Park vs. Skinner at 3:45pm

Practice at Tuesday Sept. 9, 3:15 – 4:15 at Morey

Girls Softball:

Game: Monday Sept. 8th at Congress Park vs. Slavens at 3:45

Game: Thursday Sept. 11 vs. Skinner at Skinner at 3:45

Practice: Tues, Wed. and Friday, 3:15 – 5:15pm at Morey

Cross Country

Tentative meet on Friday, Sept. 12 at Harvard Gulch

Practice: Monday Sept 8 and Tuesday Sept. 9 3:15 to 5:00 at Cheeseman park: 4:30 pick up at Cheeseman Park or 5:00 at Morey

Practice: Thursday, Sept. 11 – at Morey 3:15 to 4:30 at Morey

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/>

Free Event for DPS Families

You are invited to attend the free Educational & Cultural Visit for DPS parents at the Denver Art Museum. This event will be on **Wednesday, September 17, 2014 from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.** The Educational & Cultural Visit Program is an opportunity for DPS parents, families and staff to learn and engage more in educational and cultural institutions. This program also helps families and staff learn how to work with others to set up similar programs at their schools. These visits usually include a tour, planned activities and opportunities for parents to build connections with leaders. Please call us at 303-423-2343 for registration

Program:

10:00 am: Welcome

10:15 - 11:00 am: The Crisol Cultural Show

11:00 - 11:30 am: Gallery tour

11:30 - 12:00 am: Chat with the artists

12:00 - 12:45 pm: Lunch and social integration

12:45 - 1:00 pm: Closing and reflection

Western Academic Talent Search

If you are interested in having your student test the ACT and SAT this year for fun, there is a way! Through the Center for Bright Kids the Western Academic Challenge gives students with HGT qualifications or Advanced state standardized test scores the opportunity to try out these and evaluate their strengths, practice the challenge, and qualify for summer opportunities. There is a fee for the registration but if it something you are interested in click below and contact or gt coordinator, Kimberly Menetrier.

<http://www.centerforbrightkids.org/programs/academic-year-programs/western-academic-talent-search/application.html#appprocess>

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

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