

Morey Weekly Communications

For the Week: September 29 – October 3 and beyond

Morey Families are Stepping Up:

Thanks you to all the families who have stepped up with ideas to help our community. Your generosity is very much appreciated. If you have a restaurant, we are looking for Restaurant Nights for the Morey Community. Any other ideas to help build our community are always appreciated. Contact Jeannette Ekstrand, see below



Visit our Facebook page: **LIKE Morey Middle School TODAY**

Seeking Volunteers:

Click on the below links which will take you to Sign Up Genius so you can sign up to volunteer

For Morey School Tours: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D4BACA62AA4F58-morey

Assisting Morey Staff: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D4BACA62AA4F58-various

Important Dates:

Thursday, October 2, Morey State of the School Meeting 6:00 to 7:00 pm, Auditorium

Join us for a presentation and Q&A on Morey's School Performance Framework, updated School Goals, current school climate information, and more.

TSA will not meet on Thursday, Oct 2.

The club will resume on October 9. All new members are welcomed to attend. Students will begin selecting events for the State TSA Conference. If you have questions about TSA please contact Mrs. Gaston in Room 108. *Students are welcome to attend any of the other Thursday clubs (See below: Morey Afterschool Clubs)*

Picture Re-Takes Thursday, October 2

Picture re-takes will take place on Thursday, October 2nd during the lunch periods. Students can pick up re-take forms from their period 1 teacher.

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.

Denver Public Library Cards

All students involved in enrichment classes will be given a provisional library card for DPL for research purposes. We will be giving the library the name of your students, their date of birth, gender, and phone number. If parent wishes for their student to not participate please email Kimberly Menetrier, 720-424-0711

6TH grade ski passes

<http://www.coloradoski.com/passport>

Check out the Colorado Ski Country USA website for details on how to get a \$99 ski passport for your 6th grader. Your kid's in 6th grade, not 5th? No problem. Colorado Ski Country USA's 6th Grade Passport Program provides participants with four days of skiing or snowboarding at each of our 20 member resorts for a mere \$99. That amounts to 80 awesome days on the slopes for a mere \$1.25 per day. There is not a better deal on the planet for 6th graders than this one.

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.

Exciting Band/Orchestra News

Mr. Cevallos is having a 4 day In-Residency Guest Artist on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The Artist is a Djembe drum professional and will give the students intensive instruction and history of the Djembe. This is a free Residency due to a Institute for Creative Teaching Seminar that Mr. Cevallos attended last summer through Think360 Arts and the Morgridge College of Education.

Yearbook club needs students.

Are you interested in creating an amazing publication that Morey students and parents will cherish for years? Come to Yearbook Club in room 106 after school on Thursday. Join in the fun and make something that lasts!

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, 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

Boys Soccer game on Friday, Oct. 3 at Congress Park vs. Grant at 3:45. Soccer practice on Monday 9/29 and Thursday 10/2.

Girls softball game on Oct. 3 at Grant 3:45. Softball practice on Mon. 9/29, Tues. 9/30, Wed. 10/1 & Thurs. 10/2.

Cross Country practice Mon. 9/29, Tue. 9/30, Thur. 10/2.

Girls Volleyball: 7th and 8th grade girls Volleyball tryouts will be on Monday Oct. 6th, Tue. Oct. 7th and Thurs. Oct. 9th from 3:15-4:30 in the West Gym. Sign up on the athletic board outside the main office if you want to try out. ***You must have a current doctors physical in order to try out.***

SAVE THE DATE:

Friday - October 10, 2014, Morey Library 7:45 am–8:00am breakfast/registration

8:00-9:30am workshop: Parents come learn the positive qualities that have been proven to promote positive social and emotional development that help youth become caring, responsible, and productive adults!

*FREE FOOD & children are welcome!

Friday – October 17th 7:45am – 9:00, Morey Library 8th Grade Parent Coffee

**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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