

Morey Weekly Communications

For the Week: December 8– December 12 and beyond

Morey Report Cards:

We have moved to a semester grading system and will be sending out report cards the last week before Winter Break. Report Cards will go out on Friday, December 19th. Any questions, feel free to contact Jeannette Ekstrand, 720.480.5324

Schedule Change: Mr. Jarrett's HGT students will have Mr. Carlstrom during 2nd semester.

Limited Roster Changes

As we examine student growth data, we want to ensure that students are provided with every opportunity to receive appropriate educational services that are tailored to their individual needs. Because of this, we will be making some roster changes in High Strides classes **for second semester**, based upon a combination of classroom achievement and growth data from fall to **winter interim performance**, and may include some possible changes to the overall structure of our schedule. This will allow teachers a better opportunity to provide more targeted instruction and will have a positive impact on student achievement, engagement, and classroom environment prior to the winter interim. This will NOT impact HGT classes, exploratory classes, intervention classes, or enrichments. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Our Winter Dance is coming! Morey's Snowball Dance is Thursday, December 18th. Parent Volunteers are needed!

If you are interested in purchasing ice or snacks for the event, contact Patricia Huth and she will give you the specifics and also be able to reimburse you, if necessary.

CLICK on the below LINK to sign up to volunteer

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4baca62aa4f58-moreys1>

HELP A MOREY FAMILY IN NEED DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

The Holidays are a time of joy and good cheer. However, it's not that way for everyone. There are families that go to Morey Middle School who struggle during this season.

If your family has a significant need for help this season, please contact Jeannette Ekstrand, Morey's Family Services Liaison, 720.424.0737. Morey wants to make sure we help all that need it. Be assured that your family will remain confidential.

Morey Families: step up to offer kindness, hope and holiday cheer to these families in need! You can make a BIG difference by giving just a little.

All gifts are due to Morey – Jeannette Ekstrand's office no later than Wed. Dec. 17th.

May ALL Morey families experience a joyous and healthy holiday season! **And, thank you to those who have signed up already!!!!**

Click on this link to sign up to help: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4baca62aa4f58-help>

Morey CSC is seeking two new parent board members: Please email Jeannette Ekstrand if you feel like your voice could help Morey Middle School!

Our 6th Grade Wine Tasting Event, Thursday, December 4th was a huge success! Thank you to the Hartfield-Thoman family for opening their home for this great event! The event raised about \$650 for Friends of Morey which will help fund Morey's Spring Intercessions! A similar event is being planned for 7th and 8th grade families. Stay tuned for more details.

Help Give back to Morey while you shop! It's that easy!



For Amazon: click on the following link, if you have an account with Amazon already, this link will automatically connect all your purchases to Morey Middle School. <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/20-1949835>

For Safeway: come into Jeannette Ekstrand's office and pick up a Safeway card, It takes just \$5 to get started. Then, you add the amount to the card that works for you and shop away!

For King Soopers: details are coming soon!

For Box Tops: anytime you purchase a product with Box Tops, make sure to clip it, save it and bring them to Morey when they accumulate. It's that easy



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Now a Direct Way to Give to Morey: go to morey.dpsk12.org, Parents, Friends of Morey and then Donate! All Funds go back to the school to assist teachers and students.

Important Dates:

Parade of Lights: Morey has about 18 band students playing and marching in this year's Parade of Lights in downtown Denver this **Friday December 5th** and **Saturday December 6th** with the Denver Citywide Marching Band. It is televised on Friday only. Come on down and see them live or check them out on TV.

Am I my Brothers Keeper? Life Beyond Sports Workshop for Young Men: Saturday, December 6, 2014 at MLK Jr. Early College (8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.) **More details on Morey website, morey.dpsk12.org or just click below to register. It's FREE!** [Register here today](#)

Thursday, December 11, 5:30pm – 6:30: Q & A Session with Noah Tonk for **Prospective 5th grade families.**

Thursday, December 11 6:30, Morey Library, meet and greet Mr. Shay Carlstrom, Ms. Ford's replacement

Friday, December 12, No School for all Morey Middle School students: Student Assessment Day

After School Clubs and Program News

A Morey After School Registration Form (bright yellow) is required in order to participate in After School Clubs. The fee is \$75/semester, however no student will be turned away due to inability to pay. Partial or full scholarships are available. Registration forms and Scholarships forms are available in Room 102.

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

Save the Date:

Thursday, December 18, Morey's Snowball Dance

6th grade's event will be from 3:15 – 4:30 (admission is \$2.00 or \$1.00 with a canned food donation)
7th/8th grade will 5:00 – 7:00 (admission is \$3.00 or \$2.00 with a canned food donation)
Music will be provided by DJ Academy. Parent Volunteer Opportunities – stay tuned for more details!

**Morey Weekly Announcements now on the Morey website under the About Us 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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