

## Morey Weekly Communications

February 16 – 20, 2015 and beyond

**NO SCHOOL MONDAY & TUESDAY FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>TH</sup>: PRESIDENT'S DAY!**

**CMAS & PARCC Testing is coming: March 9 -27**, All Students will be expected to have ear buds or head phones to take the test(s). Most of 6th and 7th grade (excluding Clark's class) will go the first week of testing: March 10- 13. All of 8th grade and Clark's class will go the second week: March 17-19. Questions, please contact Jeannette Ekstrand.

**Student-Led Parent Teacher Conferences: March 5<sup>th</sup>, 3:30- 7:30**, Spring Conferences are not mandatory. If your child is doing well in school and has no issues, feel free to skip these conferences. Otherwise, sign up by grade level. *If you have no idea how your child is doing because there are no grades posted, PLEASE email Mr. Tonk. He needs to know which teachers aren't posting them.*

6<sup>th</sup> Graders: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D4BACA62AA4F58-6thgrade](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D4BACA62AA4F58-6thgrade)

7<sup>th</sup> Graders: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D4BACA62AA4F58-7thgrade2](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D4BACA62AA4F58-7thgrade2)

8<sup>th</sup> Graders: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D4BACA62AA4F58-8thgrade1](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D4BACA62AA4F58-8thgrade1)

**Check out the Intersession Programs coming this April!** Click on this link to take you to the Intersession page on Morey's Website <http://morey.dpsk12.org/school-culture/intersessions/>

**Check out Updates to our Auction Website:** <http://morey.dpsk12.org/parents/friends-of-morey/774-2/>

**Grocery Cards now available for King Soopers and Safeway! SEE BELOW FOR MORE DETAILS!**



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### Important Dates & Announcements:

**Monday & Tuesday, February 16 & 17: President's Day Weekend, No School**

**I am missing quite a few books that are not officially checked out and I would like them returned ASAP.** My name is on each of the book, so it shouldn't be too hard to figure out which are mine. I have several popular titles missing, graphic novels, and series books that other students are waiting to check out; some I haven't seen since last school year. I have addressed individuals as much as possible, but it doesn't hurt to send out the request for everyone to double check. Many Thanks! **Ms. Zablocki**

**Counselor News:** Morey has been chosen to be part of the Colorado Counselor Corp Grant. The CCC Grant will provide Morey with another counselor to support the needs of our students. In preparation for the grant counselor we need some input from our parents. Please take a couple minutes to complete this survey by clicking on this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Moreyparents> Thank you!

### **After School Updates and beyond:**

**Leadership Seminar and Healing Circle for Girls of Color:** click on the link for all the details of this great opportunity! <http://morey.dpsk12.org/leadership-and-healing-circle-for-girls-of-color/>

### **Did you know that February is CTE Awareness Month?**

Morey students will be competing in the Technology Student Association State Competition February 19-21. If you would like to see your classmates in action while learning CTE and STEM related skills come visit the Denver Tech Center Marriott on Saturday, February 21, 2015 from 7:30am – 11am where events such as Problem Solving, Tech Bowl, Structure Crushing, CO2 Dragster Races, Flight, Solar Energy Car Design and much more will be taking place. Visit [Morey's TSA Website](#) for more information.

This month we will have applications distributed to 6th grade girls that are interested in the GESTEM Workshop on May 8, 2015. This is an exciting opportunity for girls to explore STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Science) Careers through an all day, hands-on workshop. Students must apply and be accepted. See Mrs Gaston for more information or visit the following links to learn more about GESTEM. What is GESTEM?: 4 minutes - <http://youtu.be/uLyen27Xv9k> GESTEM Day's Events: 23 minutes - <http://youtu.be/UFpdZh37o9c>

Applications will be distributed the week of February 16th. Application deadline is Friday, February 27. Limited space exists for this opportunity.

### **Morey Athletics**

**6th Grade Boys Basketball Tryouts Monday Feb. 23rd, Tuesday Feb. 24th and Thursday Feb. 26th from 3:15-4:30** in the West Gym at Morey with Mr. Jackson, 720-424-0782. Athletes need to have an updated doctor's physical before they can try out for a team. If you need a physical form you can download the form at <http://athletics.dpsk12.org/> or pick up a form from the athletic board outside the main office. Please bring a copy of your physical to the first tryout.

**6th Grade Girls Basketball Tryouts Monday March 2nd, Tuesday March 3rd from 3:15-4:30** in the West Gym at Morey with Mrs. Alisha Janes, 720-424-0760. Athletes need to have an updated doctor's physical before they can try out for a team. If you need a physical form you can download the form at <http://athletics.dpsk12.org/> or pick up a form from the athletic board outside the main office. Please bring a copy of your physical to the first tryout.

**Girls Soccer Tryouts, 8th Grade-Tuesday Feb. 24th, 6th/7th Grade-Thursday Feb. 26th from 3:15-4:15** in the East Gym at Morey with Mr. Tachiquin, 720-424-0719. Athletes need to have an updated doctors physical before they can try out for a team. If you need a physical form you can download the form at <http://athletics.dpsk12.org/> or pick up a form from the athletic board outside the main office. Please bring a copy of your physical to the first tryout.

**Baseball Tryouts, Friday March 6th on the field at Morey 3:15-5:15.** Sign up on the athletic board outside the main office. Contact Coach Shannon Welch for additional information. 720-424-0759. Athletes need to have an updated doctors physical before they can try out for a team. If you need a physical form you can

download the form at <http://athletics.dpsk12.org/> or pick up a form from the athletic board outside the main office. Please bring a copy of your physical to the first tryout.

### **The first Girls Soccer practice is Monday March 2nd@ 3:15**

Our practice schedule is 3:15-4:20 every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday – unless there is a game schedule for that day.

## **OPPORTUNITIES AT WEST HIGH SCHOOL**

### **Team tryouts**

**Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, February 18th, 19th, 20th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00p.m.** at West High School (Football Field) – 951 Elati Street. Please cleats, sweats or shorts, jersey or t-shirt, and a water bottle.

### **All athletes will need to have an updated physical before they can try out for**

**team.** If you need a physical form you can download the form at <http://athletics.dpsk12.org/>. Please take care of physicals prior to first try out!!!! If you have any questions please feel free to contact, Coach Garcia at 720-423-5323 or email: [leon\\_garcia@dpsk12.org](mailto:leon_garcia@dpsk12.org).

**Futures Football tryouts Wednesday Feb. 18th, Thursday Feb. 19th and Friday Feb. 20th from 4:30-6:00pm at all DPS High Schools.** Athletes need to have an updated doctors physical before they can try out for a team. If you need a physical form you can download the form at <http://athletics.dpsk12.org/>. Please take care of physicals prior to the first tryout.



**Be a Part of the Future! Tryouts: Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>:**

### **Athlete requirements:**

- Current physical examination
  - Parent Permission/Emergency Form
  - Code of Conduct
  - School Choice Form (DPS High School Attending)
  - Financial Responsibility Form
  - Maintain academic eligibility
  - \$40 participation fee
- Try-outs • Practice will be four days a week

### **Denver Nuggets Dance Clinic: brought to you by the East Angel POMs. Friday, March 20, 3:30 – 5:30**

At the Calloway Gym. Open to all DPS students, 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, Free of Charge. Questions: Email Coach [Jana\\_blue@dpsk12.org](mailto:Jana_blue@dpsk12.org)

\*\*\*\*The COLORADO AVALANCHE will be having the next Inspire Colorado Education game, offering \$10 tickets, on **Monday, February 16** (President's Day)- 7pm game.\*\*\*\*

## **Save the Date**

**Wednesday, Feb. 25: 5:00pm to 7:00, Morey's Art and Music February Showcase:** more details to come

**Wednesday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>: 5:00 to 7:00 Peru Trip Bake Sale:** come supports those going to Peru this June

**Thursday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> 9:15am – 11:15 or 6:15pm – 8:15: DPS Superintendent Parent Forum PPA Event** Center, 2105 Decatur Street, Denver. Register to attend and represent Morey Middle School:

<http://face.dpsk12.org>

**March 5<sup>th</sup> – 3:30pm to 7:30pm: Student-Led Parent Teacher Conferences:** See details above

**March 11, 5:00 – 6:30pm, Science Night:** Held at Morey Middle School, details TBD.

**March 11, 6:30 – 7:30, Morey's First (PTO) - Parent/Teacher Meeting,** held in the Morey Library, come see how YOU can help make Morey even better!

**Friday, May 8: TIME TBD: Morey Talent Show:** Get ready to show us your amazing talents! **Looking for Parent Volunteers to assist in planning this great event! Contact Jeannette Ekstrand**

**Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00am – Noon: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Continuation at East High School.** More details to follow soon.

**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 and Morey earns 5% on all purchases. You add the amount to the card that works for you and shop away!

**For King Soopers: Cards are available!** come into Jeannette Ekstrand's office and pick up a King Soopers card, It takes just \$5 to get started and Morey earns 5% on all purchases. Then, you add the amount to the card that works for you and shop away!

**For Box Tops:** anytime you purchase a product with Box Tops, **this year's deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>** make sure to clip it, save it and bring them to Morey soon! Each Box Top is worth 10 cents.

**Morey Weekly Announcements now on the Morey website under the About Us Tab:**  
[www.morey.dpsk12.org](http://www.morey.dpsk12.org)

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