

Morey Weekly Communications

Spring Break, 2015 and beyond

A safe and happy Spring Break to all Morey Families and faculty!

We'll look forward to seeing ALL students back to school, Monday April 6th.

Below is a list of activities, some free, your family can do over the break:

Free Everyday Activities

Whether it's a rainy day at home or a day full of errands, there are plenty of free activities in our [Summer Learning Guide](#) to help keep your children learning outside of school. Spring Break is a great time to encourage children to keep their brains working!

Free Tours and Activities

Learn how coins are made [at the Denver Mint](#).

See deer, raptors and more at [Rocky Mountain Arsenal Wildlife Refuge](#).

Watch how candy is made at [Hammond's Candy Factory](#).

Go on a Nature Hunt at [Hudson Gardens](#).

Unearth fossils at [Dinosaur Ridge](#).

Learn how lightning is created at [The National Center for Atmospheric Research](#).

Check out the hands-on observation room at [Lookout Mountain Nature Center](#).

Enjoy a Free Day at the [Denver Art Museum](#) on Saturday, April 4.

See the beautiful natural amphitheater of [Red Rocks](#) - be sure to enjoy to hiking trails around this popular concert venue.

Check out the free art exhibits, programs and story time at the [Denver Public Library](#).

Let your child's imagination take flight with [Wings Over the Rockies' program](#). Students age 12-17 will learn to build and fly an R/C model airplane. Scholarships are available.

Create your own mythic creature in the new exhibition *Mythic Creatures: Dragons, Unicorns & Mermaids* at the [Denver Museum of Nature & Science](#).

Watch free educational videos through [Khan Academy](#).

FREE Love and Logic Classes for Parents: *click link below for information in English & Spanish*

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8th Grade Tutoring Extended to ANY student learning 8th grade Math curriculum: Mondays and Thursdays, 3:30 to 4:30 in Morey Library: ANY interested and qualified Math student is welcome!

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



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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 & Announcements:

GET SOME SERIOUS Rest & Relaxation!

Intersession News:

Check out the Intersession Programs coming this April! Click on this link to take you to the Intersession page on Morey's Website for messages from Morey faculty and other important items.

<http://morey.dpsk12.org/school-culture/intersessions/>

If you are a parent who is available to help a teacher during intersessions, please contact Jeannette Ekstrand, Jeannette_ekstrand@dpsk12.org. There will be a number of opportunities during the 3 days of April 8 – 10.

After School Updates and beyond:

Clubs

Speech & Debate Club and Running Club will be **cancelled** on **Thursday, April 9**, due to Intersessions. Students are welcome to attend Chill Zone, Sports Zone, or Wiz Kidz Computer Club.

Adult Classes at Morey Neighborhood Center! Register now!

Morey Neighborhood Center offers **low-cost adult classes to the community** in Yoga, Mat Pilates, Zumba, Basic Computers, Spanish 1, 2 and 3, Knitting, Water Aerobics, and Adult Swim Lessons. **Still time to join the second spring session!** For session dates, class descriptions, fees and registration information, please visit

<http://mnc.dpsk12.org>. Questions? Contact Meryl Icove, Coordinator, meryl_icove@dpsk12.org

Guitar, Drums, Bass Guitar, Keyboard & Vocal Lessons Coming to Morey After School!

Students attended an exciting assembly today, Friday, March 27th, where a number of them had the chance to try playing bass guitar for the first time! Others got to show off the fancy guitar skills they already had. Band Dynamics will be offering lessons here at Morey with the goal of eventually forming the first ever official Morey Middle School Rock Band. For more information about lessons, fees, and scholarships, contact Band Dynamics at 303-972-ROCK (7625) or visit <http://banddynamics.com/>

Destination Imagination News

Three Morey teams competed at the Destination Imagination Denver Regional Tournament on Saturday.

In the Technical Challenge: Creature Feature, the 7th grade team consisting of Michael Crum, John Greenman, Austin Feniak, Naina Miranda, Ceylin Sahin, and Ryan Graef placed 1st and won a Renaissance Award for engineering excellence!

In the Fine Arts Challenge: Feary Tales, the 7th grade team consisting of Ana Fiz, Aurelia Tittmann, Declan Giese, Grace McKinney and Halime Yilmaz placed 2nd!

Also in the Technical Challenge, the 6th/7th grade team of Vaughn Vial, Jack Osborne, Ethan Yoder, Patrick Carlson, and Diego Arguello placed 5th!

Please come cheer on your Morey teams at States on April 25 in downtown Denver.

New teams will form in September. For questions please contact Michelle Miller at 303-886-3398

Athletics News

Colorado Avalanche vs. Edmonton Oilers, Monday March 30th, 7:00pm *Pepsi Center* \$10.00 tickets

Order tickets with this link: <http://www.avstix.com/morey0330>

Questions? Contact Kristy Howell at the Colorado Avalanche khowell@pepsicenter.com, 303-405-6144

Girls Soccer

Tuesday April 7th Morey vs. DCIS-Phoenix at DCIS Phoenix, 3:45pm

Baseball

Tuesday April 7th Morey vs. Hill at Hill, 3:45

6th Grade Basketball

Tuesday April 7th Morey vs. Hill at Hill, 3:45

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Colorado's largest and longest standing competitive youth volleyball league has a couple openings on a 7th/8th grade team. If you are interested in seeing if it's a good fit for you, email us back urgently: (USE LIKE ABOVE TO ACCESS CONTACT INFORMATION). Practices start NEXT week!

OPEN SPOTS ON:

Practice Day: Fridays (4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1 & 5/8)

Practice Time: 6pm to 7:30pm

Practice Location: No Limits Volleyball "Concourse"

Saturday Games: 4/4 & 4/11

Saturday Tourneys: 4/18 & 5/9

Price: \$220 per player

Save the Date

Tuesday, April 7, Superintendent Parent Forum: This forum will be held at a NEW location (close to Park Hill Golf Club) called the Family Life Center at the New Hope Church, 3701 Colorado Blvd.

Morning | 9:15 am - 11:15 am Evening | 6:15 pm - 8:15 pm Register online: <http://face.dpsk12.org>

Monday, April 13th - Morey No School: Assessment Day – no Students

Morey Talent Show: Friday May 1, Periods 8 & 9: Applications now available outside Mrs. Huth's room or vial the website post: Click on this link for the upcoming schedule: <http://morey.dpsk12.org/moreys-got-talent-talent-show-coming-friday-may-1/>

Yogurt Guru & Morey Team Up! 3:30 – 8:30pm April 16 & May 20 & June 5 (noon to 4:00pm)

Sunday, May 17th 2pm – 6:00pm Colorado Young Leaders Open House coloradoyoungleaders.org:
Meeting will be held at Casselman's Bar & Venue, 2620 Walnut St, Denver

Thursday May 28, 2015, Final Art Show, Band and Orchestra Concert: Art Show from 5-6PM; Band and Orchestra Concert from 6-7PM

Tuesday, June 2, 8th Grade Elitch Trip: 8th Graders, the time has finally come - Let's celebrate the end of our year together in style! Students must purchase their tickets in advance from the treasurer and must have all outstanding fees paid prior to purchasing a ticket. Students must be eligible with attendance, behavior and grades to attend.

Thursday, June 4th 9:00am – Noon: 8th Grade Continuation at East High School. More details to follow soon. ***looking for 7th Grade Parents to Help for this great event** contact Jeannette Ekstrand*

Help Give back to Morey while you shop! It's that easy! CARDS ARE STILL AVAILABLE!



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 1st 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 Parents Tab: morey.dpsk12.org

Also, check our Facebook page for a direct link to the announcements.

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

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