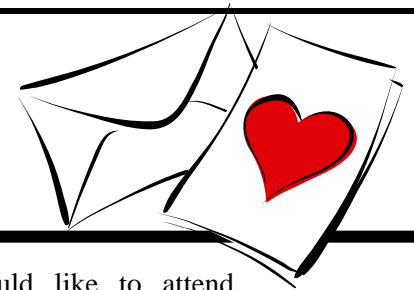


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Another New Date

The Charter School of Morgan Hill's annual presentation to the Morgan Hill Unified Board of Directors has been rescheduled to March 10th. We are sorry that you need to change your calendar yet again. However, the Morgan Hill School District (like all schools and districts in California) needs to address the budget issues that they are facing during their February Board meeting. Please put the March date on your schedules (maybe in pencil) and plan on attending. We really want to have a strong show of support when we present CSMH's report.

Upcoming Spirit Days

The Student Council is having a spirit day next Friday – it will be **Twin Day**. The following are the other upcoming spirit days that have been scheduled –

- February 27th – **Super Hero Day** – Dress up like your favorite Super Hero. It could be Batman, Superman, the Incredibles or the Pink Power Ranger.
- March 13th – **Backwards Day** – how many things can you wear backwards???
- March 27th – **Sports Day** – Dress in your favorite sports outfit. Put on your soccer shirt, baseball jersey or football uniform.
- April 3rd – **Crazy Hair Day** – A new color, a funny ponytail or whatever other creative idea you can come up with!!

The student council is monitoring class participation. Here is your chance to show your School Spirit!

Recycling Reminder

Don't know what to do with those old cell phones and empty printer cartridges. The 8th graders are collecting these items and are turning them in for cash. The money they collect will go toward their Washington D.C. trip. A drop off box is located in the office.

Also, the middle school will gladly take all those extra plastic shopping bags you have scattered around your house. They will make sure they are recycled properly and do not end up in our landfills. Just drop them off in front of room 7.

Open Enrollment

We are now accepting new enrollment packets. Some of you indicated on your reenrollment forms that you have

siblings that you would like to attend CSMH. **You must complete a new enrollment form for these siblings** and return it to the office by March 9th.

Tardies and Cheetah Road

A reminder that at the end of the school year we will be celebrating students who have had no tardies. During the past few weeks, we have noticed an increase in the number of students arriving late to school. Students can be dropped off as early as 7:40 a.m. The last 5 minutes of carpool are always the most hectic (7:55-8:00). By coming just a few minutes earlier, you can avoid the last minute rush. Following are a few suggestions for helping everyone get out of the house in the morning:

- Get to bed early and set the alarm clock a few minutes earlier so that the morning is not so rushed
- Have an alarm that goes off that signals that everyone needs to be walking out the door
- Pack backpacks and lunches the night before
- Pick clothes out the night before and have them neatly laid out (this includes shoes!)
- Make sure everyone has a healthy breakfast – it helps with the morning thinking!

We all need to work together to get students to school on time. Students who are late often times miss important morning announcements, classroom instructions, necessary directions, etc. It is also disruptive to the classroom environment to have students walking in late. I am sure that everyone understands our desire to cultivate a successful learning climate and that it is difficult for a student to succeed in school in he/she does not consistently arrive on time.

As many of you have noticed, the farmer on the north side of the school has planted his field and has put up a barbed wire to keep us off his property. Unfortunately, we did not have input about the type of fencing. Please keep all children away from the side of the road that has the fence. If you are parked in the dirt along Cheetah road, cross by the dumpster area and walk along the other side of the road. This will prevent any type of accidental injury from the barbed wire fence. We want to keep all the children safe. We also need to be good neighbors and respect the farmer's property and his newly planted field. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Be sure to check
Upcoming Dates!!**

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- February 9th Open enrollment begins
Boy's basketball game - 7th grade at 6:00 pm at Crossroads
- February 10th CSMH presents annual report to MHUSD Board of Directors - **RESCHEDULED**
Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45
Boy's basketball games at Crossroads
- February 11th Order hot lunches for the following week by 5:00 pm
Girl's soccer game at 4:00 pm at the Complex
Prospective parent info night at CSMH from 6:30-8:00 pm
- February 12th 6th grade district basketball tournament
Girl's soccer game at 4:00 pm at the Complex
- February 13th Student Council Spirit Day - Twin Day
- February 16th - 20th Winter Break - No school
- February 23rd Boy's basketball games at Spring Grove
Girl's soccer game at 4:00 pm at Gabilan
- February 24th 8th graders meet with high school counselor to sign up for Sobrato and Live Oak
Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45
CSMH Board meeting at 7:00 pm
- February 25th Order hot lunches for the following week by 5:00 pm
- February 26th Boy's basketball games at San Juan
Girl's soccer game at 4:00 pm at the Complex
- February 27th Student Council Spirit Day - Super Hero Day