



MCP WEEKLY NEWS

For the week of March 19th, 2018

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS:

03/20 – MOVIE AND CURRICULUM NIGHT with Helping Hands 6-8 pm Rooms 12 & 13. For more details, contact Helping Hands

3/24- DI STATE COMPETITION IN WENATCHEE! Good luck to Tammy Darling and MCP's DI Teams!!!

3/26 – SHAKE, RATTLE, AND ROLL WORKSHOP FOR K-8. More details below. Sign up on WINGS.

3/26 – PREORDERING FOR 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR OPENS! Pre-ordering closes 3:30pm on 4/13

4/02-4/06 – SPRING BREAK!!

4/9 (THE WEEK OF) – LIBRARY REPORTS PRINTED AND GIVEN TO FAMILIES. These will need to be returned by 5/3 in order to register for 2018-2019 classes. FINES WILL BE ASSESSED FOR ITEMS 12 MONTHS OVERDUE. More details to come.

MID-MAY – CLASS REGISTRATION OPENS FOR 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR!

5/31 – MCP TALENT SHOW AT AMISTAD! More info to come!

*****For more information on field trips, volunteer opportunities, and extra student activities, check out the Helping Hands bulletin board in the MCP family room and read the monthly Helping Hands newsletters that are emailed to each family!**

CONGRATULATIONS MRS. DARLING!!!!

Tammy Darling was chosen as a state of Washington Secondary Alternative Learning Teacher of the year. The original /presentation was given at the WALA conference two weeks ago. What this means to MCP Parents – another one of our AMAZING teachers has been recognized for her high standards of excellence in her classrooms. Please congratulate Mrs. Darling for winning this award when you see her!

CONGRATULATIONS LUKE GORHAM!

We just found out that our very own Luke Gorham was accepted to the Air Force Academy in Colorado. Please congratulate him the next time you see him on campus! He reports at the end of June!

CONGRATULATIONS DESTINATION IMAGINATION TEAMS!

The following MCP DI teams competed at DI Regionals in Richland. They all did an amazing job! Here are the final results:

1st place & going to state--Crystal Magnolias: Bella Viera, Ashlyn Smith, Nicole Reyes

2nd place: No Tomorrow - Jennifer Bultena, Porter Haroldsen, Elayna Faultersack, Malachi Carlsen, Cody Gentry

Did not place--Santa's Magic Cookies: Dylan McDonald, Ashley Ford's, Grace Dodson

3rd Place--Ninja Baby Koalas: Scott Correio, Dana Chappel, Kyle Ford, Teagan Killman, Kauner McDonald

2nd place & going to state--No Clue: Aubrey Perdue, Connor Killman, Dustin Chappel, Jared Hendrix, John Kershaw, Dina Reyes

**TWO OF OUR AMAZING TEAMS ARE GOING TO STATE 3/24!
GREAT JOB TO ALL OUR MCP KIDS – WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!**

PHOTOS CAN BE FOUND AT <https://www.facebook.com/midcolumbiapartnership/>

SHAKE, RATTLE, AND ROLL – SCIENCE WORKSHOP FOR k-5!

Join us for the science workshop - Shake, Rattle, and Roll!

Explore plate tectonics and learn about forces which contribute to earthquakes. Earthquake safety will be discussed and students will demonstrate engineering skills as they construct earthquake-resistant towers. The structures will then be tested on a "shake table" simulator.

One day workshop for grades k-5 9:00-9:55 and 11:00 – 11:55 on Monday March 26th. Sign up today on WINGS. Search under title: Shake, Rattle, and Roll or look under teacher: Jennifer Quesnell.

STUDENT SURVEY – NEEDING YOUR HELP

The students in Mrs. DeFord's Schoolyard Habitat class have been busy learning about Scientific Design and how that applies to playground design. They are interested in your opinions about the green spaces at our new school. Please click on the link and complete the survey. The survey is open to students, siblings, parents, and MCP staff. Please remember that this is a student-written test.

<https://goo.gl/forms/7A2KpAic105h2Gur1>

MCP SCHOOL SURVEY ONLINE!!

We want to hear from you! What do you like? Where could we improve? What classes would you like to see offered next year? If you've already filled out and turned in a paper survey, there is no need to turn in another.

[Please take the time to take the MCP family survey. There is a link set up on MCP's website for a quick link or click here.](#)

LAST WEEK'S NEWS

FAMILY ROOM MATH CHALLENGE UPDATE--

Our winners for February are:

Hayden Craig

Dale Higham

Joey Christensen

Our March Math Challenge is in the Family Room awaiting your participation!

NEW FAMILIES – GET CONNECTED AT MCP

Check your mail folder in the office at least once a week.

Read your emails. We send out Weekly News with important updates. Teachers send important emails as well!

Check PowerSchool! Some of our teachers post assignments and class updates on Powerschool. Contact Brooks for login information.

'Like' our Facebook Pages – 1) Mid-Columbia Partnership – calendar updates, pictures, district updates, etc. 2) Mid-Columbia Partnership Families – family networking & connecting, real time reminders, Helping Hands reminders.

Check out the Helping Hands wall in the Family Room – forms, Box Tops, ordering slips, field trip, spirit wear and more!

Read the monthly Helping Hands newsletter. This is emailed to you.

Kennewick High School in Washington to Host USA Basketball Open Court

Beginning on March 5, children who are 6-17 years old in Kennewick, Washington, will have the opportunity to participate for free in a USA Basketball Open Court – presented by Nike – at Kennewick High School.

USA Basketball Open Court provides children a safe and fun environment in which to play basketball. Children choose how to engage in the sport through free play, skill games, five-on-five, 3x3 and station options. Sessions are free to the community and open to children of all ability levels.

The USA Basketball Open Court at Kennewick High School will operate sessions for 6-9 year olds from 5-6 p.m. (PDT) and for 13-17 year olds from 6-8 p.m. on most Tuesdays and Thursdays from March 6 through April 19. Sessions for 10-12 year olds will run from 5-7 p.m. mostly on Mondays and Wednesdays from March 5 through April 19.

The complete schedule for Kennewick High School is available [online](#), and more information about USA Basketball Open Court can be found at usab.com/youth/open-court-program.

As one of USA Basketball's youth development initiatives, open court connects children to local facilities, and the free-play setting allows children the opportunity to enjoy basketball in a safe environment while earning prizes for participation. Each open court program is supervised by USA Basketball licensed coaches.

All participants must submit a waiver signed by a parent or guardian before participating in their first session. Waivers are available at the program location.

Open court participants earn points by attending sessions. Also, bonus points may be earned when a player brings a friend, has perfect attendance or makes a social post about their experience. At the end of the 12 sessions, participants can trade in points earned for custom USA Basketball Youth Development and Nike gear. The breakdown of how to earn points can be found online, as can the available prizes.

PARENTS – PLEASE CONSIDER...

Click the link below for some EXTREMELY important information regarding technology usage. This link was highly recommended by our Middle and High School Principal, Mrs. Veleke.

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/12/22/opinions/smartphones-middle-school-opinion-ruston/index.html>

HEALTH TIPS:

We are at the peak of cold flu season so there are several things you can do at home to help prevent illness and keep everyone feeling healthy.

- *WASH, WASH, WASH your hands! To make sure kiddos are washing long enough, have them sing their ABC's!
- *Get plenty of rest! School age children need 9-11 hours of sleep. Grown ups should try to get at least 8 hours of rest.
- *Drink lots of fluids and eat a well-balanced diet – especially breakfast.
- *Please keep your child home from classes if they are sick. (Scroll to the top of this week's newsletter.)

MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATES

EARLY DROP OFF'S & LATE PICKUPS - Parents, please DO NOT DROP OFF YOUR KIDS EARLY OR PICK THEM UP LATE. Classes begin ON THE HOUR and end 55 minutes later unless your student has a block class or is in a High School Class. WE DO NOT HAVE A STUDENT HANG OUT OR STUDY HALL AVAILABLE. ***Students are not allowed to wait in the Family Room. The family room is for families only (students with parents).

COLLEGE BOUND SCHOLARSHIPS applications are available for Middle Schoolers to fill out BEFORE high school! Go to www.collegebound.wa.gov for information or come into the MCP office for an application!

SPORTS & MUSIC– Middle schoolers can play sports at their neighborhood middle school! Sport programs are open for 7 & 8th graders. Music programs are open for 6, 7, and 8th grades! Discuss your child's involvement with your neighborhood school or with one of the MCP Principals.

HIGH SCHOOL UPDATES – PLEASE NOTE IMPORTANT DATES!!!

***3/22, 3/29 CBC GETTING STARTED WORKSHOPS** 3-4:30pm T Building Room 548

***NAVIGATION STUDENTS** schedule you mid-year navigation consulting meeting through signupgenius.com or Mrs. Perry. Meeting can be schedule through January.