

December 19 - Winter Band Concert, 7:00 pm - JAPAC

December 21 - 6th Grade Snowflake Making/Hot Chocolate Day - 1st, 2nd and 3rd hour.

December 22 – No school for students. Teacher Professional Development Day.

December 25^{th} - January 5th - Winter Break NO SCHOOL for staff and students.

MSC is proud to present its first ever WRITING CONTEST. Entries are due on or before December 18th. All students are encouraged to participate. Winners will be announced after Winter Break, where gift cards will be awarded to students in each grade level. Details for the contest will be given out in ELA classes. We know we have a ton of talented young writers in the building! We can't wait to read what you write, MSC!

MSC is holding a fundraiser to support all students throughout this school year. Gift-giving for this holiday season is as easy as purchasing a <u>Family Holiday Discount Card</u> for local restaurants and establishments. The card is \$25 and offers discounts to local favorites such as: Applebee's, Hamlin Pub, Bubba's 33, McDonalds, Subway, Qdoba, Cedar Glen Golf Club, Bath City Bistro, Engine House, Bumper's Landing, Lori's Lick 'Em Up, Dunham's Sports and Harrison Township Nutrition. All proceeds from the sales go directly to our students. Please consider sharing the discount offer to family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. Prizes for students will be awarded for number of cards sold. Our Art Department is in need of newspaper. Please send any newspaper you may have with your student to Room 122. Newspaper can also be dropped off in the Main Office. Thank you for your help.

Do you love taking photos of your MSC friends, events and activities? Why not submit your pictures for consideration to the MSC 2024 Yearbook? Use the link that follows to share the awesome memories you are capturing. <u>Yearbook Photo Upload</u> Link

MSC Book Club is every Wednesday during lunch in the Media Center. Bring a lunch and a book to read.

The "Got Sneakers" Reuse, Recycle, Raise Money Campaign is back! Please donate **GYM SHOES ONLY IN ANY CONDITION**. Wearable gym shoes will be given to people in need, nonwearable gym shoes will be recycled and our Lancer Choir receives a few dollars for every pair. Students can put gym shoes in the bin as they enter school. Help people, the environment and our Lancer Choir. Remember "Got Sneakers" accepts gym shoes only. Please donate other types of footwear to Goodwill or St. Vincent DePaul. Thank you for your support.

CARE is hosting their annual <u>Parenting Conference</u> at the MISD on March 2, 2024. The Keynote Speaker is bestselling Author of *The Me, Me, Me Epidemic: A Step-by-Step Guide to Raising Capable, Grateful Kids in an Over-Entitled World*, Amy McCready. In addition to having Amy speak we will also have 11 breakout sessions this year.

Looking for an alternative Spring Break experience for your student? During the <u>Alternative Spring Break</u>, group leaders motivate and inspire teens to be great role models and leaders. Students will acquire skills that they will use for the rest of their life, such as: effective communication, teamwork, refusal skills to combat negative peer pressure as well as strategies to make healthy choices and decisions. We also have guest speakers for the camp which can include yoga, kick boxing, nutrition, health, etc. Alternative Spring Break will take place at Eastland Middle School 3/25/24-3/28/24, 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM.

Community Education has opportunities for both students and adults.

UPCOMING DATES:

January 8, 2024 – First day back to school January 15, 2024 – No school for students and staff – MLK Day January 26, 2024 – End of 1st Semester/2nd Quarter January 26, 2024 – Half-day of school – Dismissal at 11:19 am – Teacher Records Day January 28, 2024 – First day of 2nd Semester/3rd Quarter January 31, 2024 – No school for students – Teacher Professional Development

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