

CHPS WEEKLY

A weekly update from the Cherry Hill Public Schools

A Message from the Acting Superintendent

Happy February!

It's an exciting time in our schools, as we kick off Black History Month! I had the pleasure of stopping into the Cultural Proficiency, Equity and Character Education Committee (C-PEaCE) meeting on Tuesday. Our principals, instructional coaches and teacher leaders collaborated at the meeting to enhance their background knowledge of Black history. They will share that knowledge in the classroom lessons and activities across the District devoted to Black History Month. Watch our Facebook, X (formerly Twitter) and Instagram feeds for examples of these lessons and activities throughout the month!

I would also like to add that the Cherry Hill African American Civic Association and the Cherry Hill Public Library have extended the deadline for entries in the 2024 Reverand Ivan George Essay/Poster/Video Contest for Black History Month. The contest is open to ALL public school students in Cherry Hill in grades K through 12. The theme for this year is "Their Stories Matter: African Americans in our Schools and Community." The entry deadline has been extended to February 6, 2024. Full information on the contest is available online.

This past Monday, we launched our <u>Communication Survey</u>. In case you missed the email and the website and social media posts – or if you just haven't had the chance to fill it out yet – I am reiterating the invitation to all staff, parents, and community members to take the <u>survey</u> to help us better communicate with you! We value your opinions and look forward to the results of the Communication Audit in the spring. We will be using the results to guide us as we work to improve the ways we inform and listen to the school community and the Cherry Hill community at large, thereby improving everyone's educational experience. The survey will close on February 12.

I wish you all a great weekend!

Dr. Kwame Morton Acting Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

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Full information, including contest rules, rubric, and submission links, is available online.



SACC Summer Camp Registration Begins March 4, 2024

School Age Child Care (SACC) Summer Camp registration begins March 4, 2024! Space is available on a first come, first served basis. Registration forms will be available beginning on this date on the <u>SACC page of the district website</u>. Registration closes when all spots are filled.

Save the Date! School Age Child Care Registration Opens May 15, 2024

Wondering what's up with School Age Child Care (SACC) registration? 2024-2025 SACC registration for the 2024-2025 school year will be available on the <u>School Age Child Care and STEP page</u> of the <u>District website</u> on **Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 4 pm** (date and time subject to change). Full information on the SACC program is available on the <u>School Age Child Care and STEP page</u> as well.





Preschool Expansion Quick Question Page Answers Your Ouestions

<u>The Malberg Early Childhood Center website</u> now includes a <u>Preschool Expansion Quick Question page</u>. Have a preschool-related question that's of interest to the larger community? Submit it via the portal on the page for a public answer! Also available on the page: the <u>Preschool FAQ</u>.

Upcoming Events

February 5, 2024 - Board of Education Executive Session Meeting, Arthur Lewis Administration Building, 5:30 pm. This meeting is being held for the purpose of discussing the vacant Board seat.

This meeting will also be live streamed.

Join the meeting via a computer or mobile device at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81694410918

Join the meeting by phone:

646-558-8656 or 301-715-8592

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Board of Education Committee Meetings, Arthur Lewis Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace.

February 5, 2024: Policy & Legislation Committee, 6 pm; Curriculum & Instruction Committee, 7 pm

February 6, 2024: Strategic Planning Committee, 5 pm; Business & Facilities Committee, 6 pm.

February 13, 2024 - Board of Education Work Session, Arthur Lewis Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace, 6:30 pm. This meeting will also be live streamed.

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February 16, 2024 - MAKE-UP DAY FOR JANUARY 19 SNOW DAY - All students and staff report

February 19, 2024 - SCHOOLS CLOSED - Presidents Day

February 27, 2024 - Board of Education Action Meeting, Arthur Lewis Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace, 6:30 pm. This meeting will also be live streamed.

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