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Friday Flyer May 10, 2019

Upcoming Events:

5/13 - 5/30 3rd - 8th Grade State Testing

5/13 Snowie King, 2p

5/13 Garden Work Day, 2:15-4:15p

5/15 Girls' Varsity VB League Championship Tournament (times & venue T.B.A.)

Thank you PTA and Parents!

Thank you all for the wonderful treats, gifts, cards, etc. this week. We feel spoiled and appreciated. Also, a special thank you to Melissa Curle for the beautiful set up of food, drinks, and treats in the staff lounge all week!

2019-2020 Reserved Parking Spot WINNER!

The winner of the reserved parking spot for the 2019-2020 school year is the Douglas family! Congratulations! Thank you everyone, again, for all of your generous donations during the Big Day of Giving!

State CAASSP Testing starts next week

Every year, 3rd - 8th Grade Students in California take CAASSP Tests. For our school this year, state testing will be starting next week. Over the next three weeks, different grade levels will be testing on different days. For 3rd, 4th, 6th and 7th graders, there are (4) days of testing; for 5th and 8th grade, there are (5) days. During testing, please make sure that your child(ren) are a) getting plenty of sleep, b) are eating good breakfasts and c) are bringing healthy snacks. Each classroom will be sending more specific information about their testing periods and needs to their family distribution lists.

Summer Camp 2019

Summer Camp is filling up FAST! It's only \$105/wk if you sign up within the next two weeks. Check out our Summer Camp 2019 webpage at <https://www.mmcharter.org/summer-camp>, and take a look at the SC Flyer at the end of the Friday Flyer. For any questions about Summer Camp, please contact our Summer Camp Director Julie Cohodes at jcohodes@mmcharter.org.

Proposed Anti-Charter School Legislation Update (republished from last week)

In our March 29 and April 5th *Friday Flyers*, I published articles from the California Charter Schools Association ("CCSA") regarding proposed anti-charter school legislation. Each of these bills are currently continuing through the legislative process, including being passed out of their initial sub-committees. Generally speaking, I believe it is appropriate for both myself and our school to be as apolitical as possible. Having seen / heard from some of our parents regarding this proposed legislation and how they can continue to be informed and perhaps get involved, I do think it's appropriate to share CCSA's informational and organizational website regarding this legislation:

https://info.ccsa.org/stand-for-all-students?utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=71476

If these bills pass, how would it affect MMCA?

MMCA's charter was renewed for five years last year, meaning the earliest these proposed pieces of legislation could possibly affect us is the 2023-2024 school year. Under current law, the primary basis for charter renewal is related to performance - primarily student performance, but also fiscal and organizational performance. Under these proposed laws, charter renewals would no longer be based on performance, but rather tangential issues, like whether the "charter school is creating a negative fiscal impact to the sponsoring school district." Further, current law allows charter schools to appeal school district denials of charter petitions first to the County Board of Education, and then ultimately the State Board of Education. The proposed legislation eliminates appeals to the County and State, giving the local school district sole control. We are monitoring the proposed legislation, and we are working with our legal team to ensure that we have contingencies in place if we have to deal with this in 2023-2024. If you have any questions about these proposed pieces of legislation, please feel free to contact me at brent@mmcharter.org.



MMCA Summer Camp:
June 10-August 9

\$95/wk by May 3
\$105/wk by May 24
\$115/wk after May 25
10% Sibling Discount!

Visit our link: www.mmcharter.org/summer-camp

CAMP HOURS:
9am-1pm
Before & After Care Available
7:30am-9am
1pm-6pm

Kids SUMMER Camp

SCHEDULE
Week 1: Going on Safari
Week 2: Backyard Fun!
Week 3: Potions & Experiments
Week 4: FABtastic! Fun with FABric
Week 5: Games of ALL SIZES!
Week 6: Candy Engineering
Week 7: Music & Dance
Week 8: Cooking Academy
Week 9: Star Wars

Outdoor Fun

Games & Activities

Experiments

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