

Morse Elementary Mustang Minute



Important Upcoming Dates!

June 12th- PTO Meeting 7pM / Hat day! Pay 1\$ to wear a hat!

June 13th- Volunteer Recognition Pancake Breakfast! 8AM / K-2 Honors Assembly 10AM/ 3-5 Honors Assembly 11AM/ HALF Day of school! Dismissal 1PM

June 14th- 5th Grade Clap Out 12:45PM / HALF day of School! Dismissal 1PM

June 15th- 5th Grade Promotion 10AM / HALF day of School- LAST Day of School! Dismissal 1PM

June 20th- Morse Summer Nights Week ONE!
6-7:30PM at Morse!

June 27th- Morse Summer Nights Week TWO!
6-7:30PM at Morse!

July 4th- NO MORSE SUMMER NIGHTS THIS WEEK!
Happy Independence Day!

July 11th- Morse Summer Nights Week THREE!
6-7:30PM at Morse!

July 18th- Morse Summer Nights Week FOUR!
6-7:30PM at Morse!

July 25th- Morse Summer Nights Week FIVE!
6-7:30PM at Morse!

August 1st- Morse Summer Nights Week SIX!
6-7:30PM at Morse!

August 8th- Morse Summer Nights Week SEVEN!
6- 7:30PM at Morse!

August 15th- Morse Summer Nights Week EIGHT!
6- 7:30PM at Morse!

Troy Coalition Summer Camp Seeks Students!

When Parker and Abby were of age to attend this incredible camp, they both did- and LOVED it! Your student may too!

Since 1995, the Coalition's Summer Camp has been an important resource for local families. The program provides a safe and supervised environment for Troy youth in grades three thru eight, ages eight thru thirteen. The four week program features positive adult role models and teen counselors, art projects, educational presentations, and substance abuse prevention activities. Fun field trips to local recreation areas such as the Troy Aquatic Center and Thelma Spencer Park and an entertaining visit to Jimmie John's Field were part of last year's agenda. The camp ends with the always popular 'Multi-cultural Potluck Lunch'. The children bring their favorite food from home and share it with their fellow campers. It is a wonderful way to celebrate Troy's diverse community and a delicious way to conclude this outstanding program.

Morse READS Books and Summer Packets ARE HOME!!

EVERY child at Morse is expected to read, write and think (non electronically) during the summer break. We are passionate about our expectation, because your child's success depends on it! Research supports that NOT reading during the summer, can take your child BACKWARDS up to THREE reading levels- / or SIX months of learning. We MUST have home support to ensure that ALL kids have success! Morse READS makes Reading fun, and visiting Summer Nights to trade in books keeps Reading "fresh"! We can't wait to share what we're reading with ur community this summer too- Look for #teachersreadtoo !

FOOD SERVICE NEWS

DO you have an overdue lunch or breakfast balance? PLEASE pay ALL outstanding balances this week. Morse, as a school, is responsible to pay any balance unpaid by parents. This takes money from the school budget for supplies, field trips, ect. PLEASE contact the office for assistance if needed!

EARLY DISMISSAL REMINDERS
IF YOU WILL PICK YOUR CHILD UP FROM SCHOOL EARLY, PLEASE BE SURE TO ALERT THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN 3PM. PICK UP ARRANGEMENT CHANGES CANNOT BE MADE BEYOND THIS TIME TO ENSURE CLASS MESSAGES ARE DELIVERED.

THE MORSE OFFICE CLOSSES AT 4:30PM EACH DAY. STUDENTS NOT PICKED UP BY 4:30PM WILL BE CHECKED INTO OUR CARE PROGRAM.

Thank you for sharing your children with us for the 2017-2018 school year! We are so proud of our students and their learning this year! Please have a safe and restful summer vacation! Please also join us for our summer nights program each Wednesday night from 6-7:30PM !

**Fondly-
Mrs. Zandler and the Morse Team**

INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW?

With the recent announcement by the City of Troy that a new apartment complex is being built in our attendance area there have been some inquiry into the space use at Morse. We (the team and I) want to assure you that we're doing all that we can to make the best use of the space in our building to serve our community well. We'll continue to carefully use space next year as we'll be adding both an additional first and fourth grade classroom section for the 2018-2019 school year to better accommodate our students. We all agree that at the moment, in this enrollment spike we're being very creative with space, but that is being done with an eye to students, and making sure we use our space to best suit them as our community expands both in new houses going up in the neighborhood and in our attendance area. We're putting the finishing touches on our Morse 2018-2019 plan, and will make sure you, our community, get a sneak peek at what we have planned for 18-19 at our June PTO meeting! The Troy School District is experiencing similar growth in most school attendance areas and is working to support all schools by reducing school of choice enrollment to siblings of current families only, continuing to prioritize smaller class sizes in kindergarten and building an Early Childhood Center that will soon house many pre school programs that are currently operating in classroom spaces.

While being creative in an enrollment spike comes with some challenges for sure, we've chosen to focus on the positive, more kids to love, more families to add to our family! We hope that you will too!

2018-2019 PTO Tee Shirt Design Contest for FOURTH GRADE STUDENTS happening THIS week!
See flyer! Your child could design the next Morse all school tee shirt!

