

Chalk Talk

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Greetings Montrose Families! I hope this message finds you safe and healthy.

Before we get too far into the new school year, I would like to take a moment to reflect on a summer that was fun, relaxing, and extremely productive!

Throughout the summer, Montrose Community Schools ran an extremely successful summer program that offered new opportunities to students in a way we haven't seen since I can remember. Students in grades PreK-12 were given a variety of enrichment experiences that included art, photography, music, Legos, drones, coding, theatre, physical fitness and much more.

All of this was made possible by our incredible teaching staff who created these exciting and engaging courses. I truly appreciate the time and effort they put in to design innovative ways to extend learning opportunities for our students. We truly have an outstanding group of teachers!

The extra efforts put forth by our transportation staff also deserves recognition. Their work brought in students that otherwise would not have had these summer opportunities. With weekly route sheet changes it is a wonder they were able to transport each student to their home accurately day in and day out. They are true professionals and their attention to detail and commitment to keeping all students safe is commendable.

With over 400 students participating in one or more programs, we have never seen this level of commitment or interest in coming to school during summer break. It was nice to see students on campus in July as they engaged in things they found fun and exciting. I only hope that our legislators continue to fund these summer programs. In the past we used summer as an opportunity to catch up, I love that this summer we also had a chance to extend and advance our learning opportunities!

With a successful summer in the books, it is time to attack new challenges. School is back in session and it is time to seize every opportunity. We now know, more than ever, nothing is guaranteed. It is imperative that we approach every situation with a positive attitude and take time to appreciate what we have and the opportunities tomorrow will offer.

Thank you for all your support as we begin a new school year.

Go Rams!

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