

A message from the Superintendent of the Cherry Hill Public Schools.



## CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending January 24, 2020

# Mid-Year Momentum

**WE** are just about halfway through the school year! Here's a look at what's ahead.

Wednesday, January 29 will mark the 91st day of the school year – the day we'll be exactly halfway through the year! For many of us, that time has flown by and only will seem to go faster in the coming months. This is the time of year when we begin facilitating students' transitions in earnest:

- Our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Open Houses will take place next week and the first week of February at High Schools West and East, with dates and times listed at right. I strongly encourage all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents to attend both.
- Our 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Information Nights will take place in February, with dates and times listed at right. I hope our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents will attend the information sessions at both their home school, Beck or Carusi, and at Rosa to make an informed decision about Open Enrollment.
- Kindergarten registration will be underway beginning March 3. You may find [your school's registration dates](#) and the [required registration paperwork](#) on the District web site.

Fact finding continues by the dedicated members of our [Alternative Funding Committee](#) and our [Safety & Security Committee](#) as we move forward in both strategic planning and preparing for our next Bond Referendum vote, tentatively planned for a little more than a year from now.

Conversation in our community is already buzzing regarding our current projects and what may be to come in the next Bond. Understandably, school security is a hot topic. I would like to share with you [our perspective on security](#) including ways for our community members to be involved constructively.

Please remember, the better informed you are, the better the conversation will be. If you can't make it to a Board of

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Board of Education Action Meeting

January 28 @ 7 pm  
Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace

### 8th Grade Information Nights Both at 7 pm

January 29  
Cherry Hill High School West  
(snow date January 30)

February 4  
Cherry Hill High School East  
(Snow date: February 10)

### Board of Education Committee Meetings All on February 3

Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace

Curriculum & Instruction 5 pm

Policy & Legislation 6 pm

Business & Facilities 7 pm

Strategic Planning 8 pm

### 5th Grade Information Nights - All at 7 pm

February 5

Education meeting, be sure to watch the [live stream](#) or view the video in our [YouTube archive](#) the next day. Please see the "Upcoming Events" column at right for other meeting dates and happenings this month. And be sure to stay in touch with us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#), where you'll find reminders, updates and wonderful stories about what's happening throughout CHPS.

Tomorrow's weather forecast looks good for relaxing and curling up with a great book! Whatever your plans for the weekend, please take the time to share a smile and a kind word. Kindness is contagious and the farther it spreads, the better!

Regards,

***Joe Meloche***

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Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

*"Be a rainbow in someone's day."*

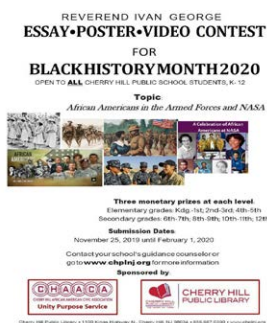
Rosa Middle School (snow date February 18)

February 6  
Carusi Middle School  
(snow date February 11)

February 12  
Rosa Middle School (snow date February 19)

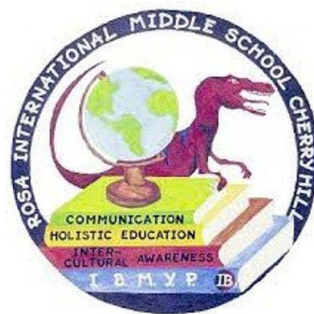
February 13  
Beck Middle School  
(snow date February 20)

**Board of Education  
Work Session**  
February 11



## Black History Month Essay, Poster, Video Contest Now Accepting Entries

The Rev. Ivan George Essay/Poster/Video Contest for Black History Month 2020 is now accepting entries from all Cherry Hill Public School students K-12. This year's topic is "African Americans in the Armed Forces and NASA." Entry deadline is



## Rosa Middle School Open Enrollment Information Now Available

Current 5th grade families: If you would like to submit an application for Open Enrollment to Rosa international Middle School for the 2020-2021 school year, please view [the Open Enrollment Letter](#) online.



## Kindergarten Registration Dates Set

[Dates and instructions for registering kindergarten and 1st grade students new to the Cherry Hill Public Schools for the 2020-2021 school year](#) are now available online.

Students must be five years

February 1, 2020.

Three monetary prizes will be awarded at each grade level: K-1st; 2nd-3rd; 4th-5th; 6th-7th; 8th-9th; 10th-11th; and 12th.

[Details and official rules are available online.](#) More information also is available from your school guidance counselor and on the [Cherry Hill Library web site.](#)

Applications will be accepted from February 18 through February 28, 2020. **You must submit your application by 4 pm on February 28, 2020.** The online application will not be available after 4 pm on February 28, 2020.

old on or before October 1, 2020 in order to be eligible for kindergarten. Students currently enrolled in the Cherry Hill Public Schools (including the Barclay Early Childhood Center) do not need to re-register.

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