

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



CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending January 17, 2020

# Service and Purpose

**MLK Day doesn't provide us with just a long weekend; it provides us with an opportunity to serve and to contemplate our purpose.**

The long weekend is upon us – and with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service on Monday, January 20, our schools will be closed. Many around the district will be busy with service projects on that “day off,” and I’d like to commend and thank in advance of all you who will be serving our community and beyond that day. In the words of Martin Luther King, Jr.: “Everybody can be great ... because anybody can serve.” This is true for all of us. Regardless of our talents, our education, our family background, our age, we can serve our community and make a difference. Greatness comes from our ability to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

I was thrilled this week to be a part of the Board of Education recognition of a great community volunteer in the Cherry Hill Public Schools. At the January 14 Board Work Session, Mr. Joel Fleisher, pictured above with the teachers in whose classrooms he has volunteered, received the first-ever “Heart of the District” Award. Mr. Fleisher has spent two days per week during the last 16 years of his retirement volunteering in kindergarten classrooms. A [video that chronicles Mr. Fleisher's amazing contributions](#) was produced by our Cherry Hill High School West Broadcast students and shown at the Board meeting. [CBS3 also ran a news story about the event](#). Mr. Fleisher's service is wonderful example to us all that volunteering, especially with children, has a positive and lasting impact. The “Heart of the District” Award will periodically be given to a student or community member who demonstrates the heart of the Cherry Hill Public Schools through upstanding character, devotion and caring that may not be in the spotlight but touches many and uplifts all.

I wish you a wonderful weekend and meaningful Day of

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SCHOOLS CLOSED

January 20  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service

### Board of Education Action Meeting

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

### 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

### 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

Service. Please tag us at @ChpsTweets when you tweet about your service work and tag us at @chpsinsta when you post about your service work on Instagram – **WE** can't wait to see what service projects our community members contribute! And even if you don't tag us, 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.

Stay warm as the “real” winter weather arrives this weekend – and be sure share a smile and a kind word as you are out and about. Kindness always serves to uplift others!

Regards,

**Joe Meloche**

Joseph Meloche

Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

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

(Snow date: February 10)

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

February 5

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

REVEREND IVAN GEORGE  
ESSAY•POSTER•VIDEO CONTEST  
FOR  
BLACKHISTORYMONTH2020  
OPEN TO ALL CHERRY HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS, K-12


**Topic**  
*African Americans in the Armed Forces and NASA*



**Three monetary prizes at each level**  
Elementary grades: 4th-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th  
Secondary grades: 6th-7th, 8th-9th, 10th-11th, 12th

**Submission Dates**  
November 25, 2019 until February 1, 2020  
Contact your school's guidance counselor or  
go to [www.chshq.org](http://www.chshq.org) for more information

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## 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



## Rosa Middle School Art & Literary Magazine Wins Top National Awards

Congratulations to the student staff of Rosa International Middle School's *One World Art and Literary Magazine*, who recently won three top national awards from the



## 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.

Americans in the Armed Forces and NASA." Entry deadline is 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.](#)

American Scholastic Press Association!

Under the direction of advisor Ms. Skye Silverstein, the students won the following:

First Place with Special Merit Award

Best Intermediate School Literary and Art Magazine

Best Middle School Poem: "A Sonnet of US" by Madison Jordan

Pictured from back row, left:

Phoenix Pike  
Ethan Ko  
Shivani Hirata Chandran  
(Rosa graduate, East freshman)  
Carlos Sicard  
Armchambeault  
Madison Jordan (Rosa graduate and best poem winner)  
Iris Yuan  
Sarah Swartz  
Anna Neubauer  
Alexis Rovner  
Maureen Castle  
Usra Aslam  
Gia Gupta  
Charles Veneziano  
Graham Rudderow  
Laavanya Viswanathan  
Evan Crescenzo  
Eva Becker  
Troy Spencer  
Alex Scott

Students must be five years 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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