A message from Dr. Joseph Meloche, Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools.



MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY OF SERVICE Monday, January 18th

10:00-11:30 AM CHERRY HILL WEST HIGH SCHOOL 2101 CHAPEL AVE, CHERRY HILL, NJ 08002

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District News for the week of January 15, 2016

Service, Community, Respect

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Martin Luther King Day of Service allows all of us to reflect and act in ways that are meaningful to our community.

As an undergraduate student at Morehouse College, an 18 year Martin Luther King, Jr wrote an article for The Maroon Tiger, the student newspaper, titled "The Purpose of Education." The power of the message that is inherent in this 440 word article, remains as applicable today as it was when it was first published nearly 70 years ago.

His analysis of his peers and his teachers, and the environment in which they were living in 1947 Atlanta, is timely still in its legacy. In the article King writes, "The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically . . . Intelligence plus character – that is goal of true education. The complete education gives one not only power of concentration, but worthy objectives upon which to concentrate."

Cherry Hill students, faculty and staff, parents and guardians, and community members will continue the long tradition of community service and engaging in service learning projects. Many members of our educational community will participate in a day of service on Monday, January 18th, in observance of the federal holiday for Dr. King's birthday. High School West has partnered with the township for collections and activities, while other schools are working on their own campuses as well as off site. I am grateful for the many hours of planning that have gone into the preparation of events and for the commitment to participate.

If you are unable to participate in one of the programs/projects in the district on Monday, I encourage you to be involved in a way that is meaningful to you in a project or activity that works in your schedule. The Cherry Hill Community provides us with daily opportunities to reinforce our collective positive character and our commitment to each other.

On Monday, January 11, I was thrilled to attend the Grand Opening of the Cherry Hill Food Pantry's new facility (see story below). This larger facility will

Schools Closed

January 18 Martin Luther King Day of Service, 10-11:30 am, Cherry Hill High School West Volunteer space is limited. Please register in advance with the Township Recreation Department at (856) 488-7868, or email Events@chtownship.com

PARCC 2016 Information and Q&A Session

One program; 2 dates & locations:

January 19, 7 pm, Cherry Hill High School West

January 25, 7 pm, Cherry Hill High School East

Board of Education Action Meeting

January 26, 7pm, Board Room, Malberg Admin. Bldg., 45 Ranoldo Terrace

Kaleidoscope Concert

January 28, 7:30 pm, Cherry Hill High School East *Silent Auction preceding concert begins at 6:30 pm.* continue to provide food and home goods to more than 450 families per month. All of us can help to support this organization, today and throughout the year. For ways to support the Food Pantry, please visit <u>http://cherryhillfoodpantry.org/</u>.

As a school district, we are proud of the service work that our students, faculty and staff, and families engage in throughout the year.

Regards,

Joe Meloche

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Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

P.S. Be sure to follow us on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> for the very latest happenings around the District. Our <u>District Events Calendar</u> on the District web site is a great resource for updates about upcoming events. <u>You'll find the 2015-2016 School</u> <u>Year "Overview" Calendar here</u>. For events and activities in the Cherry Hill Community, check out our <u>Community Bulletin Board</u> on our <u>web site</u>. And visit our <u>YouTube channel</u> for videos from around the District.

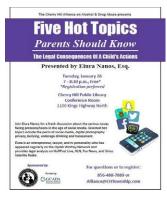


Rosa Students Contribute to MLK Day Mural

A group of 10 eighth grade



Cherry Hill Food Pantry Celebrates Grand Opening of



Free Program for

students from Rosa International Middle School marked the Martin Luther King Day of Service with their work on a mural that commemorates Dr. King and the Montgomery Bus Boycott.

The students, pictured above, worked with an Artist from the Philadelphia Mural Arts Program. Their work was put on display at Girard College in Philadelphia.

The students' section of the mural was inspired by the events that occurred during the Montgomery Bus Boycotts.



Pictured above, the Rosa students' work includes a quote from a speech Martin Luther King gave about the bus boycotts. The students chose to place a heart in the center to show the love and appreciation we should display for each other even though we are all different. The flowers in the background depict all of our differences.

Congratulations to these students for their beautiful work!

Larger Location

The Cherry Hill Food Pantry held a ribbon cutting for the grand opening of its new location at 1463 Brace Road on January 11. Dr. Joseph Meloche, Superintendent of Schools, pictured above center, assisted in the ribbon cutting.

The new retail-sized space allows for patrons to use shopping carts and easily locate food on shelves, an improvement over the previous residential location, says Executive Director Mike Doyle.

The Cherry Hill Public Schools has an ongoing affiliation with the Food Pantry. Students at the Alternative High School this year grew and donated 144 pounds of produce -harvested from their courtyard garden -- to the Food Pantry. Other schools plan to develop gardens which will contribute to the outreach effort as well.

The annual Food Drive at the East vs. West Thanksgiving Football Game also brings in substantial inventory, Doyle adds. Holiday donations from many schools in the District help keep shelves stocked as well.

The Cherry Hill Food Pantry is open Tuesdays from 6-7:30 pm and Thursdays from 11 am-1 pm.

Parents about Legal Consequences of Actions on Social Media

The Cherry Alliance on Drugs and Alcohol Abuse and the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse present an important free seminar on January 26 from 7-8:30 pm in the Cherry Hill Public Library Conference Room to inform parents about the legal consequences of children's actions online and on social media.

Elura Nanos, Esq., will lead a frank discussion about the serious issues facing preteens/teens in the age of social media. Selected hot topics include the perils of social media, digital photography privacy, bullying, underage drinking and harassment.

Elura is an entrepreneur, lawyer, and TV personality who has appeared regularly on the Oprah Winfrey Network and provides legal analysis on HuffPost Live, HLN, Fox News, and Sirius Satellite Radio.

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