



CHPS WEEKLY

A weekly update from the Cherry Hill Public Schools

A Message from the Acting Superintendent

Happy Snow Day!

On this first snow day in years for our community, I wanted to check in briefly to wish you all a wonderful, safe long weekend. While the snow today is certainly beautiful, please heed [the words of Gov. Murphy yesterday](#) and stay off the roads if possible.

Additionally, due to the inclement weather forecast, all CHPS sports and outside group activities scheduled for Saturday, January 20, 2024, are canceled. The Board of Education Executive Session Meeting will take place as scheduled.

To reiterate the message shared yesterday, the make-up day for today's closure will be Friday, February 16, 2024.

We are often asked how decisions to close our schools are made. Full information about the process is available on our [website](#). Additionally, we've been asked why school closing notices are posted to our website/school websites and social media before the robocall goes out. It is our practice to disseminate "silent" communication first, so that people may find out before their phones ring. They then have the option of silencing their phones if they don't want the disruption.

If you don't already, you may follow us on [Facebook](#), [X \(Twitter\)](#) and [Instagram](#) to help you stay "in the know."

I look forward to seeing everyone on Monday, January 22, and to hearing the stories of how our students and staff enjoyed the snow.

Sincerely,
Dr. Kwame Morton
Acting Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools



Kindergarten & 1st Grade In-Person Registration Continues

For your planning purposes: In-person kindergarten and 1st grade registration, for children entering public or private school for the first time, begins January 16, 2024 at the Lewis Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace. Dates and times in the coming weeks are as follows: January 23, 25, 26 and 31, 8:30 am-2pm; January 30, noon-7 pm; and January 31, 8:30 am-2 pm. Students must be five years old on or before October 1, 2024, to be eligible for kindergarten. Please go on the [District website](#) to begin the online pre-registration process for the 2024-2025 school year. Detailed registration [information and the pre-registration link can be found directly on the District website](#) or by calling (856) 429-5600, x4429. Only the student's legal guardian may register a student for school. It is not necessary to bring your child with you to registration. Please allow one hour to complete the process and bring ALL required documentation with you for registration.

Board of Education Determines Candidates To Be Interviewed in Superintendent Search

The Board of Education in Executive Session on January 8, 2024, determined the candidates they will interview for the superintendent of schools position. The interview process will be held in Executive Session on January 20 and January 27.



WE thank the community for their engagement in focus groups and surveys in the fall. Contracted search firm [Hazard, Young, Atea & Associates \(HYA\)](#) has released the resulting Desired Leadership Characteristics and Qualifications, the Survey Report and the Leadership Profile Report, all available on the [Superintendent Search page](#) of the District website. We encourage all community members to read these important documents.

2024-2025 SACC Registration for the 2024-2025 School Year will be available at <https://www.chclc.org/Page/2805> Wednesday, May 15th at 4:00 p.m. Date and time are subject to change.

Space is available on a first come first served basis and is limited at each school. All registration forms will be submitted through a Google Doc only. Registration forms will not be accepted via email, by hand or by mail. Check the district website for updates.

Save the Date! School Age Child Care Registration Opens May 15, 2024

Wondering what's up with School Age Child Care (SACC) registration? 2024-2025 SACC registration for the 2024-2025 school year will be available on the [School Age Child Care and STEP page of the District website](#) on **Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 4 pm** (date and time subject to change). Full information on the SACC program is available on the [School Age Child Care and STEP page](#) as well.

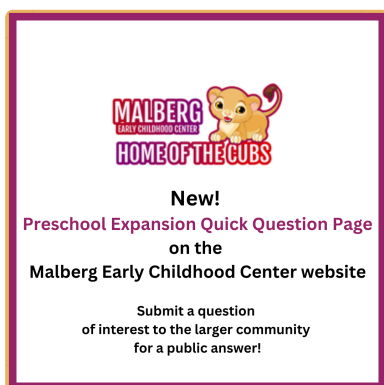
Black History Month Essay/Poster/Video Contest Now Accepting Entries

The Cherry Hill African American Civic Association and the Cherry Hill Public Library announce the 2024 Reverend Ivan George Essay/Poster/Video Contest for Black History Month. The contest is open to ALL public school



students in Cherry Hill in grades K through 12. The theme for this year is "Their Stories Matter: African Americans in our Schools and Community." Entry deadline is January 29, 2024.

[Full information, including contest rules, rubric, and submission links, is available online.](#)



Preschool Expansion Quick Question Page Answers Your Questions

[The Malberg Early Childhood Center website](#) now includes a [Preschool Expansion Quick Question page](#). Have a preschool-related question that's of interest to the larger community? Submit it via the portal on the page for a public answer! Also available on the page: the [Preschool FAQ](#).

Upcoming Events

January 20, 2024 - Board of Education Executive Session Meeting, Arthur Lewis Administration Building, 8 am. This meeting will also be live streamed.

Join the meeting via a computer or mobile device at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81694410918>

Join the meeting by phone:

646-558-8656 or 301-715-8592

Dial the Meeting ID followed by # when prompted

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January 23, 2024 - REVISED START TIME: Board of Education Action Meeting, Arthur Lewis Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace, **6 pm**. This meeting will also be live streamed.

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Board of Education Committee Meetings, Arthur Lewis Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace.

February 5, 2024: Policy & Legislation Committee, 6 pm; Curriculum & Instruction Committee, 7 pm

February 6, 2024: Strategic Planning Committee, 5 pm; Business & Facilities Committee, 6 pm.

February 13, 2024 - Board of Education Work Session, Arthur Lewis Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace, 6:30 pm. This meeting will also be live streamed.

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February 16, 2024 - MAKE-UP DAY FOR JANUARY 19 SNOW DAY - All students and staff report

February 19, 2024 - SCHOOLS CLOSED - Presidents Day

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