

The Panther Pages

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April 2017 Issue

Dates to Remember

- Apr. 3 Orchestra Concert
- Apr. 4 Spring Play
- Apr. 12 UIL Academics
- Apr. 14 Holiday
- Apr. 19 NJHS Parent Meeting
- Apr. 22 Dazzlers Spring Show
 - Please visit Campus calendar for list of upcoming STAAR testing

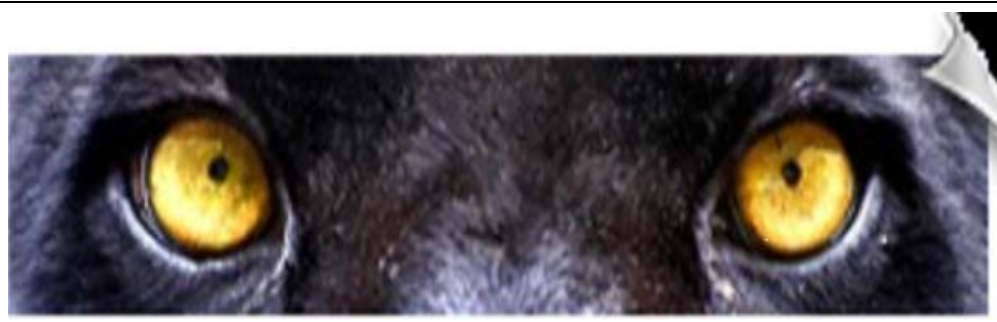
School Holidays

- Apr 14 Holiday
- May 29 Memorial Day

Early Release Days

Jun 1

Front Desk Hours 8:00—5:00



Students of the Month

The April Students of the Month are:

7th Grade –Katie Dahlke and Gallant Sloan

8th Grade – Haley Johnson and Jadiel Merlin

These students were nominated by the faculty for showing great Panther Pride. Congratulations to all of these great young Panthers!

School Pantry Program

Communities in Schools (CIS) is now running a dedicated food pantry on campus to address the nutritional needs of hungry students and families. The pantry is made possible by generous contributions from the Montgomery County Food Bank, staff, teachers and private donors.

Students needing food assistance are requested to sign up with the CIS office at Moorhead (inside the Lego gym).

We will gladly accept donations of beans, soup, rice, pasta, cereals, oatmeal, spices, peanut butter and other shelf-stable items that are *within their expiration dates*. Donations may be dropped off during school hours at the front office.

YEARBOOKS ON SALE

Pre-Order Sale \$35
(August - September)

Fall Price \$45
(October - February)

Spring Price \$55
(March - Sold Out)

We order a limited number of Yearbooks. Reserve your copy now while supplies last.

DON'T MISS OUT

BUY NOW AND SAVE!

Summer School Information Online

Summer school information is now online and available at the District Website.

Summer Office Hours

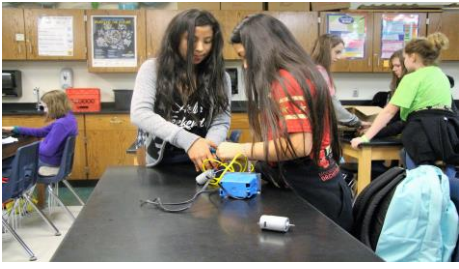
Our campus front desk will be open 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday during the summer.

Required Immunizations for All Texas Seventh Grade for 2017-2018 Prior to The Start of School

If you have an incoming seventh grader for 2017-2018, please note that Texas requires two immunizations before school starts. These include Tdap and Meningitis. These are required **before** the first day of school for all Texas incoming seventh grade students.

C.I.S.D. Advancement Policy Requirements

Students in junior high are required to pass three out of the four core classes to advance to the next grade. Language arts and math classes must be passed along with either science and/or social studies. Information will be online in the spring.



Parent Access Center (PAC)

Parent Access Center is a free program available to all CISD parent/guardians that allows viewing of helpful information regarding student attendance, report cards, progress reports, daily grades, state test results, Students Achieving Excellence (SAE), discipline and available lunch money. Parents may also sign up to receive an email alert when an assignment score is added or updated.

Good news - If your child was previously enrolled in PAC, you do not need to re-register for this school year unless information has changed since the end of last school year.

<http://www.conroeisd.net/student-parent/pac.asp>

Check in for Visitors

All visitors will need to stop by the Main Office. You will present your valid Texas Driver's License to be scanned through our security system to be issued an official visitor's pass. Anyone on campus without a pass will be asked to leave.



Semester Exams

Note students will take major exams the last week of each semester. It is important for students to be present for these major tests, if healthy. So that your child can do his/her best, please plan any vacations or healthcare appointments around exam dates. Finals count ten percent of the semester grade for junior high courses and 15 percent for high school classes. Tentative dates for final exams are listed below.

Second Semester Exams - **5/26/17**



Win a Gift Card for Good Attendance!!!

MJH will begin drawing the names of students to win a gift card to various different places (Wal-Mart, Subway, Sonic, etc.). What's the catch? You must be present when your name is called!

So show up every day and increase your chance to win! You don't want to be absent the day your name is called!



Counselors' Corner

Your counseling center is always open. Visit your counselor or browse in our library of resources. Articles include coping with divorce, grief, test taking, how to make better grades and much more. Come by for free information to take home.

Have a great year!

Theresa Randall - 8th 936-709-2415
Cheryl Bracken - 7th 936-709-2417

Electronics and Phones - Expectations, Rules, and Considerations for Parents/Guardians to Know

Students are allowed to bring electronics to school as long as they are off between 8:50 a.m. and 3:55 p.m. Your assistance in helping them understand that vibrates is not off is appreciated. For student safety and privacy, electronics are never allowed to be out or on while in the locker room or bathroom.

These items, including phones, are immensely popular among young people. However, due to the fact that these are high theft items on all campuses, it is highly recommended parents/ guardians consider whether their child is mature enough to keep up with these very expensive devices. The amount of smartphones left by users on tables, benches, and in the hallways is *staggering*. These items are brought at the student's own risk. Note in advance that if a student's use of electronics, including phones, violates policy, the device will be taken up and consequences for the inappropriate use will be assigned. The phone may need to be picked up by a parent or guardian depending on the infraction and overall number of violations and may not be returned to the student on the same day. Please do not ask your child to have his/her phone on so that you can text or call them potentially disrupting instruction of children. If you need to get information to your child, please call 936-709-2400 as we deliver messages directly to students throughout the school day.



2017-2018 Course Request Deadline

The course request deadline for 2017-2018 will occur on Monday, May 1st, 2017. This will be the deadline for all elective, core, fine art, and organizational choices for the 2017-2018 school year.



Riding Home on an Alternate Bus in an Emergency

Please note students may be allowed to ride home on an alternate bus in the event of an emergency. However, there are a number of action items students/parents/guardians need to know in advance to ensure a student can and does secure the appropriate transportation home at the end of the day. These include:

- some buses are operating daily at maximum capacity and cannot take extra riders
- to ride home on an alternate bus with a friend, a note from a parent or guardian is required including the full name of your child, alternate bus your child needs to ride, parent/guardian phone number, and parent/guardian signature
- a contact number where you can be reached to potentially verify
- the request form with the parent signature and contact number must be submitted to the grade level office by noon for verification



Breakfast During 2016-2017

Breakfast is served at school! School breakfast will give your child a healthy start to the day. A nutritious breakfast helps students be more alert so they can learn more in class. Breakfast has vitamins and nutrients for a strong and healthy body.

Breakfast at school is affordable at only \$1.25. If you qualify for free and reduced price meals, you also qualify for the breakfast program, with no additional paperwork. You can't find a healthy breakfast at such a low cost anywhere else.

Help your child start the day right with school breakfast!

Desayuno en la Escuela

¡Los niños pueden desayunar en la escuela! Sus niños pueden comenzar el día saludablemente al comer el desayuno en la escuela. Un desayuno saludable ayuda a los estudiantes estar más alertos, y así aprender más. El desayuno tiene vitaminas y nutrientes para un cuerpo fuerte.

Y el desayuno en las escuelas no cuesta mucho- \$1.25. Si ya calificas para comidas gratis o comidas a precio reducido, también calificas para el Programa de Desayunos Escolares, y no tienes que llenar más formularios! Ayuda a tu niño a comenzar el día bien con desayunos escolares!