

MurrENEWS – November 05, 2007
Murray City School District, Murray, UT
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MurrE-QUOTE

The content of a man's character is not where he stands in times of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

– Martin Luther King Jr.

A MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT TRANTER

"Please vote in tomorrow's election ..."

The upcoming November 6 election is a very important consideration for the Utah educational system, students, parents, teachers and communities across the state. In fact, the eyes of the nation are watching Utah on the Citizens State Referendum I issue and it is imperative that everyone take seriously the responsibility of casting a vote on this critical decision. Please study the proposal and be sure you understand what is at stake for our children. If you feel you are having trouble finding impartial references, I would suggest that you read carefully the 2007 Voter Information Pamphlet; also found online at elections.utah.gov/Citizen.htm. **It is always important to exercise our voting rights as American citizens, and during this election cycle it is more important than ever to understand the issues.**

RENAISSANCE WEEK AT MHS

Renaissance Week is being held this week at MHS. A candy handout took place today (Monday) as Renaissance Student Club members went into the classrooms to explain about the Renaissance Association incentive program. Handouts for the first term will be this Wed. at 1:50 p.m. and then again on Wed., Nov. 14.

MHS PRESENTS "CINDERELLA"

The wonderful Rogers and Hammerstein musical "Cinderella" will be performed at Murray High School, November 8th, 9th, 10th, and 12th (Thurs., Fri., Sat., and Mon.) in the school auditorium at 7:00 p.m. There are over 40 students involved in this production from the school theatre, choral, dance and instrumental programs. Ticket prices are \$5 for adults, \$4 for students if purchased in advance; all tickets are \$6 at the door. Don't miss it!

"TERRIFIC KIDS" AT RIVERVIEW JUNIOR HIGH

The Riverview Terrific Kids Program is sponsored by Riverview, the PTSA and Kiwanis Club. Students are chosen by their teachers for demonstrating outstanding qualities as students. November honorees are:

- Marissa Burton – a happy eighth grader with lots of energy and a fun personality. She loves to learn and experience new things
- Hailee Martinez – always adds to classroom discussions and has a great attitude about school work and learning in general.
- Cassidee Steadman – puts forth extra effort that demonstrates an understanding of concepts, as well as a desire to excel.

VIEWMONT KINDERGARTEN FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT

Thurs., Nov. 15, Viewmont Elementary Royal Ballroom/Media Center, 6:30 -7:45 p.m.

Viewmont Elementary extends a royal command to all kindergarten knights and princesses to attend an evening of learning and fun. Parents and kindergarten children will participate in a variety of literacy activities and games based on stories about knights, princesses and fairy tales!

RIVERVIEW JH REMEDIATION

Remediation is now being offered at Riverview JH for those students who have failed a core class. Murray City School District requires that students remedial failed core classes. For registration, to pay class fees, or for more information, see Mr. Kauffman in the counseling office.

DISTRICT FLU SHOT CLINIC

The district is offering an employee flu clinic for employees who have health insurance under the District's health insurance plan on November 20 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the district office boardroom. Family members covered under the plan over the age of 18 are also eligible to participate in this flu shot clinic. Be sure to bring your insurance card with you. To sign up, contact Denise McDougal at the DO by November 10. **We are unable to offer the flu clinic to employees not covered under the district's health insurance plan because there were not enough individuals expressing interest.**

MURRAY YOUTH CHAMBER REQUESTING HELP

Sheri Van Bibber, Career Development Specialist for the Boys & Girls Clubs of South Valley, announces that the Utah Crime Council is putting on its annual conference this week, at which there will be 3000 adults and National Guard and Police in training along with 500 youth. General Tarbet will be coming to speak and there will also be soldiers just returning from Iraq meeting with the youth, sharing pictures and experiences. The Murray Youth Chamber has just recently accepted responsibility for coordinating a service project to put 700 packets together for all the deployed Utah Troops for Christmas. At this time, they have no product for the kits and could use lots of help and donations. They have set up a huge box at the entry door of the Murray Sam's Club through Wed., 11/7. Items needed are hard candy, sunflower seeds, foot powder, chap stick, icy hot muscle cream, eye drops, pillowcases, baby wipes, dryer sheets, paperback books/magazines, CD's, DVD's, board games, cards, puzzle books, phone cards, writing supplies, jerky, etc. Contact Sheri at 808-0830 to help or for more info.

REHAB NIGHT AT THE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OFFICE

An informative meeting for parents and students to discuss the vocational rehabilitation program will be held Tues., Nov. 13, 6 pm at the VR Office, 929 W. Baxter Drive, 10600 South. All students with disabilities and their parents are invited to attend. Contact Kourtney Layton for more information; or visit the Vocational Rehabilitation website, www.usor.utah.gov.

GET FIT MURRAY EVENTS

Skate with the "Grizz"

Tuesday, Nov. 6th, 7 – 9 PM, FREE Family Night

Salt Lake County Ice Center (5201 S. Murray Park Lane)

Come join Grizzbee and some Utah Grizzlies players at the Salt Lake County Ice Center and skate the night away with fun for the entire family! A drawing will be held for autographed Grizzlies memorabilia, so don't miss out.

Family Night at the Park Center (202 East Murray Park Ave.)

Monday, Nov. 19, 6:30 – 9:30 PM, FREE for the family

The Murray Park Center is offering a night of activities and fun at no cost. Participate in family games a turkey bowl, and other fun events.

Family Swim Night and Ducky Derby (Murray Park Center Leisure Pool)

Wednesday, Dec. 5, 7 – 9 PM; Swim session from 7-9 PM; Ducky Derby at 8:50 PM

Admission is \$1 per person. Swim sessions will accommodate a maximum of 250 people, so be there on time!

MurrE-TECHTIP: Filtering of Web Sites

Murray School District filters access to internet web sites using filtering lists provided by "8e6" which is licensed by the Utah Education Network for all schools in Utah. If you try to access a web site that is blocked, you will see an information alert message.

MurrE-WEBTIP: Google Search Tips to Make Your Life Easier

From *Cut & Paste* online magazine

If you want to look for a phrase such as employee communications, you might be better off doing a search explicitly for the phrase by enclosing the words in quotation marks, like this: "employee communications."

- If you want to search for a phrase or term on a specific site, you can do it by typing the phrase you are looking for, followed by site:sitename.com. For example, "bathing suits" site:shop.com.
- Want to look up the number of someone who called you? Enter it this way: phonebook:617-555-1212.
- If you want to know the location of a phone number, just enter the three-number area code. Example: 617.
- If you need to multiply something, you can enter the expression in Google. For instance, 4 * 8, then hit enter for the answer.
- If you need the definition of a word, enter define:word.

DISTRICT CALENDAR REMINDERS:

11/6 – Swim Team Region Relay Meet @ Murray; 3:30 PM

11/6 – Skate with the Grizz, FREE @ SL County Ice Center (5201 S. Murray Park Lane), 7-9 PM

11/7 – MHS Renaissance Handouts for the 1st Term @ 1:50 p.m.

11/7 & 11/8 – Elementary Parent-Teacher SEP Conferences

11/8 – Reality Town event, Riverview JH; Cathy Hansen of RJH coordinating

11/8, 9, 10, 12 – "Cinderella" musical production, MHS, 7 PM; Students \$4, Adults \$5, At door \$6

11/9 – Elementary Teacher SEP Compensatory Day – No School Elementary Schools

11/13 – Swim Meet: MHS home vs Olympus; 3:30 PM

11/13 – Rehab Night for students & parents, Vocational Rehab Office, 6pm; call 446-2581 for info

11/14 – Murray Council PTA Meeting, DO, 10 AM; Board Mtg. 9:30 AM

11/14 – MHS Renaissance Handouts for the 1st Term @ 1:50 p.m.

11/14 – Murray School District Board of Education Meeting, DO, 7 PM

11/14 – Grant Elementary Moms & Muffins Reading Activity; contact the school for more info.

11/15 – Viewmont Elementary Kindergarten Family Literacy Night, Media Center, 6:30 -7:45 p.m.

11/17 – Swim Meet: MHS home vs Cedar City; 8:30 AM

11/17 – MAG Dance MHS, Commons area, 7 PM

11/18 – National Family Week; families are urged to eat dinner together in and participate in "Family Table Talk"

11/20 – District Flu Shot Clinic (for MCSD employees) @ DO Boardroom, 3 to 5 PM

11/20 – Swim Meet: MHS home vs Brighton, Hunter, Lone Peak; 6 PM

11/21 to 11/23 – THANKSGIVING BREAK

11/27 – Swim Meet: MHS vs East, Judge, Orem @ Steiner; 3:30 PM

11/29 – MHS Choir Concert, 7 PM

12/4 – Swim Meet: MHS vs Highland @ Fairmont; 3:30 PM

12/5 – Murray School District Board of Education Meeting, DO, 7 PM

12/11 – Swim Meet: MHS home vs Granger; 3:30 PM

12/14 – Riverview JH Early Bird Readers Club in library 7:15-7:55 AM; light breakfast & prizes

12/18 – Swim Meet: MHS vs West @ Steiner; 3:30 PM

12/24/07 to 1/01/08 – WINTER BREAK
1/2/08 – School Resumes
1/3 – Swim Meet: MHS home vs Cottonwood; 3:30 PM
1/8 – Swim Meet: MHS home vs Cyprus; 2:30 PM
1/10 – (Wednesday) 2nd TERM ENDS (46 days)
1/11 – Professional Development/Teacher Work Day – No School for Students
1/15 – Swim Team Region JV Meet @ Murray; 2:30 PM
1/21 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – NO SCHOOL
1/22 – Swim Team Region Championships @ Murray; 9:30 AM
2/1 & 2/2 – Swim Team 4A State Championships @BYU; times TBA
2/8 – Riverview JH Early Bird Readers Club in library 7:15-7:55 AM; light breakfast & prizes
2/12 & 2/13 – JH Parent-Teacher SEOP Conferences
2/13 & 2/14 – MHS Parent-Teacher SEOP Conferences
2/15 – Secondary Teacher SEOP Compensatory Day – No School Secondary Schools
2/18 – Washington & Lincoln Day Holiday – NO SCHOOL
2/19 – Professional Development/Teacher Work Day – No School for Students
3/20 – (Thursday) 3rd TERM ENDS (46 days)
3/21 – Professional Development/Teacher Work Day – No School for Students
3/24 thru 3/28 – Spring Break Vacation – NO SCHOOL
4/8 & 4/10 Elementary Parent-Teacher SEP Conferences
4/11 – Elementary Teacher SEP Compensatory Day – No School Elementary Schools
4/11 – Riverview JH Early Bird Readers Club in library 7:15-7:55 AM; light breakfast & prizes
5/26 – Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
5/30 – (Friday) 4th TERM ENDS (44 days)
5/30 – Last Day of School

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MURRAY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

For more information, contact Denise McDougal at the Murray School District offices, 264-7487; dmcDougal@murrayschools.org

LICENSED OPENINGS:

Biology/Integrated Science – Hillcrest JH (one year contract)
Specifications: Current Secondary Utah Educator License with endorsements in Biology and Integrated Science 8
Salary: 2007-08 Teacher Salary Schedule; full-time contract position for completion of 2007-08 school year only
Closing date: Until filled

Special Education Teacher – Riverview JH
Specifications: Special Education (K-12) License with Mild-Moderate Endorsement
Application Process: Submit licensed application to Wendy Bills, Supervisor, At-Risk Programs
Salary: 2007-08 Teacher Salary Schedule
Closing date: Until filled

CLASSIFIED OPENINGS:

Daytime Substitute Custodians – Murray High School
Responsibilities: Help with the operation, upkeep and cleaning of the assigned school building
Job Specifications: part-time on an as needed basis
Salary: \$10.78 per hour

Hall Supervisor – Hillcrest Junior High
Responsibilities: Supervise the hallways all day long as well as during lunch periods; loading and unloading of buses, assisting students with locker problems, checking students for hall passes and escorting visitors to the office

Specifications: 35 hrs per week; retirement benefits included
Rate: \$8.35 (entry) to \$9.56 (mid-level)
Closing Date: Until filled

Teaching Assistant II; ISS (In School Suspension) – Longview Elementary
Job Specifications: 14.5 hours per week
Salary Range: Teaching Assistant II, \$9.24 (entry) to \$10.58 (mid-level)
Closing Date: Until filled

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