

## May 2014



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**Dorothy McElhinney Middle School**  
35125 Briggs Rd.  
Murrieta, CA 92563  
(951) 304-1885

### Congratulations Colt

#### DRUM LINE

**DMMS Drum Line** received high honors at the ADLA competition only .2 points away from first place. Way to go Drum Line!

#### TECH TREK SELECTIONS

**Haylee Buschhausen** and **Talia Seitel** have been selected to attend the Math and Science Camp at UCSD in June. Thanks for all the hard work!

#### SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

On Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, our Advanced Theatre class competed in the DTASC, Drama Teachers of Southern California, Shakespeare Festival. Because we have so many advanced theatre students, we competed in both the middle school competition and the high school competition. There were about 2500 students competing; 65 schools from Los Angeles to Carlsbad.

Here are the amazing results:

#### Middle School Division:

**Abbey Murray – Honorable Mention**

**Natalie Calderon, Maya Calderon, Maya Kalinin, Jace Martin, Lamar Davis, Bethany Salazar, Nick Neels, Kaylene Nicolazzi, Emma Sanchez, Brea Pratt – Honorable Mention**

**Baylee Pacheco, Trystan Keller, Liz League – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

#### LEADING THE WAY

**6th Grade—Waseem Aumari, Jordan Biacan, Brandon Bowen, Laila Cordova, Trenton Matthews, Courtney Muna-Greer, Jacob Nichols, Arturo Ornelas, Geomarie Ashley Saldana**

**7th Grade—Casey Bostock, Ella Butterwegge, Collin Dauenhauer, Alex Hill, A'lexus Hondolero, Jacob McGannon, Amanda Meichtry, Kaylee Page, Preston Ponce, Aneel Vaswani, Zipporah Yisrael**

**8th Grade—Dhallie Abuan, Mariya Bennett, Rachel Carr, Tori Coleman, Samantha Hagerman, Gillian Harrington, Maya Kalinin, Zachary Nelson, Courtney Nuestro, Kaitlyn O'Brien, Cole Shaffer, Edleen Suh**

**Parents of 6th Grade Pre-Algebra students please join us for questions and answers regarding placement for next year.**

**DMMS Library**  
**May 13th, 2014**  
**8:00AM—8:30AM**

5/1 Band Booster Executive Board Meeting  
5/2 Star Party—7:00PM in the Quad  
5/3 Color Guard Car Wash 9AM—2PM Carl's Jr  
5/5 Music Tryouts end 5/9  
5/5 Spanish International Day MPR  
5/6 & 5/7 STAR Testing for 8th Grade  
5/7 Talent Show Tryouts MPR  
5/12 Cheer Tryouts end 5/16  
5/12 WEB at Aerosports Trampoline Park 6-8PM  
5/13 WEB Meeting 12:15PM MPR  
5/14 Talent Show 6PM MPR  
5/15 Greek Olympics 6th Grade  
5/15 8th Grade Rally VMHS  
5/15 PTSA Meeting 6PM Staff Lounge  
5/16 Raging Waters Field Trip  
5/20 AVID Field Trip—UCSD, Birch Aq.  
5/20 Dance Performance—MPR  
5/21 WEB Meet and Greet—Gym  
5/22 Music Under the Stars 7:00PM  
5/23 District Track Meet—MVHS  
5/23 ASB Spirit Rally 9:15 Quad  
5/26 Memorial Day—No School  
5/27 Dance Show Dress Rehearsal at VMHS PAC  
5/28 Disneyland Workshop for Music  
5/28 Dance Show at VMHS PAC 6PM  
5/29 & 5/30 Dance Tryouts 1st Block  
5/29 Astronomy Club D212 Lunches  
5/29 Leading the Way Luncheons  
5/30 Edith Frank all 7th Grade MPR  
5/30 Music Awards and Glow Night  
5/31 Saturday School—Murray  
6/3 Drama "The Story Book Adoption" 10:15AM & 12:15PM  
"Only the Beginning" 1:45PM  
6/4 Drama "Only the Beginning" MPR 1:30PM and 6:00PM  
6/5 Drama "The Story Book Adoption" 10:15AM & 12:15PM  
6/5 Band Booster's Executive Board Meeting TBA  
6/6 & 6/9 Promotion Practice 9:15AM Quad  
6/6 Music Department End of the Year Party  
6/10 Promotion for 8th Grade 10:00AM Quad  
6/10 8th Grade Dance MPR 7PM-9PM  
6/11 Classes Dismissed 1:55PM  
6/11 Field Day for 8th Grade -Track  
6/11 ASB Dance for 6th & 7th MPR 2:00PM—3:45PM  
6/12 Classes Dismissed 1:55PM  
6/12 8th Grade Pancake Breakfast and Yearbook Signing  
6/13 Classes Dismissed 1:55PM  
6/13 Basketball Student vs. Staff  
6/13 Last Day of Classes

#### Principal:

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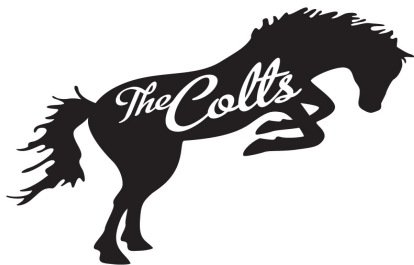
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**DOROTHY MCELHINNEY  
MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
MURRIETA CALIFORNIA

**Office and School Hours**

Gates open 8:00AM  
School Begins 9:05AM  
School Ends 3:14PM Tuesdays—Fridays  
Early Release 1:55PM Mondays

**Office Hours**

Mondays 8:15AM—2:55PM  
Tuesdays—Fridays 8:15AM—3:45PM

**No Classes May 26, 2014**

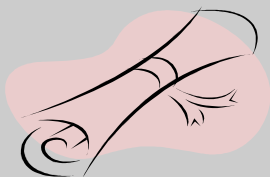
**Astronomy Club**

Last Meeting—Thursday, May 29th in  
D212 all lunches

STAR PARTY— May 2nd 7-9PM in the  
Quad, MPR, and Basketball Courts

**8th Grade Promotion**

The DMMS promotion will be  
held on Tuesday, June 10,  
2014 at 10:00AM in the Quad  
on the DMMS campus. Family  
and friends are invited to come  
and support  
their 8th  
graders.



**Community and District Flyers**

You will now be able to find the community  
flyers on our DMMS web page. All the flyers  
that have been district approved are posted  
on the main page of our web site. Go to the  
main page and the flyers link is posted under  
District News & Announcements then click  
on the Approved Flyers link.

# WEB

Please join us for a fun evening at AEROSPORTS  
in Murrieta on May 12th, 2014 from  
6:00PM—8:00PM

**STAR Testing for 8th Grade Students**

On May 6 & 7, your child will be taking the 8<sup>th</sup> grade CST Science test. While the Language Arts and Math portions were eliminated this year, they still must complete the Science portion. This is a very important test. Here are a few things you can do to help your child prepare.....

- Bring your child to school **EVERY DAY** and **ON TIME** for testing.
- Speak positively with your child about testing.
- A good night's sleep is necessary so he/she is prepared to do his/her best on the test.
- Provide a nutritious breakfast each day to ensure your child's brain is fueled for testing.
- Studies show that students who take the test with their classroom teacher do better than those who need to take the test on a make-up day. **Please refrain from making appointments or scheduling vacations on testing days.**

If you have any questions about CST testing, please contact Tom Patane at 304-1885 ext. 3698.

**Dance Department:**

May 20<sup>th</sup>... All dance classes performing 6-8<sup>th</sup> here at school in the MPR. Parents welcome to any show.

- 7<sup>th</sup>- 10:05-11:06 am
- 6<sup>th</sup>- 12-12:52 pm
- 8<sup>th</sup>- 2-3 pm

May 21<sup>st</sup>... Tickets go on sale for Dancefinity show. \$5, purchase at bookkeepers office.

May 27<sup>th</sup>... Dancefinity dress rehearsal....mandatory attendance 8am -5pm at VMHS

May 28<sup>th</sup>... Dancefinity performance at VMHS, 7pm. Tickets are \$5

May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> during 1<sup>st</sup> block... Dancefinity Try-outs all 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders welcome. Must complete paperwork before tryouts.

**June Events for 8th Grade**

6/6 & 6/9 9:15AM—10:15AM Promotion Rehearsal

6/10 10:00AM Promotion Ceremony in the Quad

6/10 7:00PM—9:00PM Mardi Gras Dance for 8th Grade MPR

6/11 9:30AM—1:45PM Field Day on the Field

6/12 9:30AM Pancake Breakfast and Yearbook Signing in the Quad

**BUY A BRICK, LEAVE A LEGACY! \$40.00**



### Music Department News

May 2014

05/01 - Band Boosters Executive Board Meeting  
05/03 - Color Guard Car Wash @ Carl's Jr. 9am-2pm  
05/13 - Band Regional Festival TBA  
05/16 - Color Guard Camp Money Due  
05/17 - Color Guard Car Wash Carl's Jr. 9am-2pm  
05/18 - Taste of the Valley Jazz Festival in Downtown Murrieta  
05/19 - VMHS Band Kick-Off Meeting (for incoming Freshmen)  
05/22 - Music Under the Stars Concert Event - All Bands & Choirs  
05/28 - Band and Choir Disneyland Trip  
05/30 - Music Dept. Awards Banquet  
05/31 - Color Guard Car Wash @ Carl's Jr. 9am-2pm



### Seeking PTSA BOARD FOR 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR

Energetic, enthusiastic, dedicated, and passionate about your child's school....PTSA is for you! If you are willing to be part of a team environment, we want you! We are seeking individuals who want to be involved in helping plan school activities such as.....assemblies, dances, end of the year activities, teacher appreciation week, Red Ribbon week and helping in the student store. No experience necessary. Please contact Julie Jaurequi at [jarequi6@aol.com](mailto:jarequi6@aol.com) to discuss opportunities with DMMS PTSA.

If your 6th grade student has already had their TDAP shot that is required for 7th grade enrollment, please provide a copy to the Health Office! No need to wait for next year! TDAP (pertussis) booster is required for all 7th GRADE students before starting school.

### DMMS Health Office News

#### ATTENTION 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE PARENTS!

#### **AB354 Requires Tdap Shot for 7<sup>th</sup> Graders**

All students entering, advancing or transferring into 7<sup>th</sup> grade will need proof of an adolescent whooping cough booster immunization (called "Tdap") before starting school. This requirement applies to all public and private schools. The requirement was signed into law in 2010.

In 2010, California experienced its worst outbreak of pertussis in more than half a century, with more than 9,000 confirmed cases and 10 infant deaths. The immunization requirement is intended to help reduce the spread of whooping cough among California's youth. Most children are fully protected prior to entering kindergarten because of the DTaP vaccine, a vaccine made for younger children. However, protection to these diseases wears off and preteens and teens may be at risk for catching this dangerous disease without a booster.

The Tdap requirement affects all incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade students in California, so it's important to avoid the back-to-school rush and to get our children vaccinated now. Tell other parents with children in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade about the requirement and encourage them to schedule the shot early, before summer. Your incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade student **WILL NOT** be able to register without proof of the Tdap booster, so get it early and avoid any delays in registration!

Remember, in addition to the Tdap booster, there are several important vaccines recommended for preteens and teens including the meningococcal vaccine, a second chickenpox shot (if they never had chickenpox disease), and the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine series. Everyone older than six months old is recommended to receive a seasonal flu vaccine.

The California Department of Public Health and the California Department of Education have been working collaboratively on this important measure. Information on the Tdap requirement, including information on where to get free or low cost vaccines, forms, and FAQs are available at [www.ShotsForSchool.org](http://www.ShotsForSchool.org).

Thank you DMMS parents!

Lisa Elliott RN, MSN

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the health office at DMMS:  
(951) 304-1885

Health Technician- Rhonda LaVigne ext. 3693; School Nurse- Lisa Elliott RN, MSN ext. 3692

### ***DMMS SITE COUNCIL 2014/2015***

The school's Site Council is composed of school staff and parents. Site Council meets a few times during the school year and is responsible for developing and monitoring a Single Plan for Student Achievement. This plan is created in response to a thorough review of school achievement data. It communicates specific goals for the year, a plan for achieving these goals and a plan for the use of school funds to support these goals. The site council also serves in an advisory role to the principal regarding school-wide issues and decisions.

We have four parent positions open for 2014/2015. If you are interested in taking part in Site Council for the 2014-2015 school year, please email Mrs. Hawley, Site Secretary at [mhawley@murrieta.k12.ca.us](mailto:mhawley@murrieta.k12.ca.us). Based on the number of people who express an interest, we will determine whether we need a vote of our parent community. That will be communicated in the August newsletter.

Please email the Site Secretary with your interest no later than June 20, 2014. Our first meeting will be in September 2014 in the DMMS Library at 3:30PM.

### **Attention Parents!!**

*Time is running out to purchase a yearbook for your student.*

**Buy yours today before we Sell Out!**

**\$ 50.00 at the Bookkeeper's office (cash only)**



# McElhinney Middle School Is hosting its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual



# STAR PARTY

~FREE ADMISSION~

Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

*(Weather Permitting)*

7:00-7:30 p.m. - TVAC\* Astronomy Presentation (MPR)

7:30-9:00 p.m. - Telescope Viewing of Planets, Galaxies,  
Constellations, Our Moon, etc. (Quad)

## For Sale

Candy \$1

Chips \$0.50

Soda / Water \$1

Glow in the Dark Bracelets \$0.75

Light Up Star Rings \$1.50

\*Temecula Valley Astronomer's Club

Dorothy McElhinney Middle School  
Advanced Theatre Class

Presents

***"ONLY THE BEGINNING"***

Music By



Written by Carol Hernandez

A musical focusing on one military family  
and the sacrifices they make for their country.

Performance Dates:

Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 1:45 p.m.

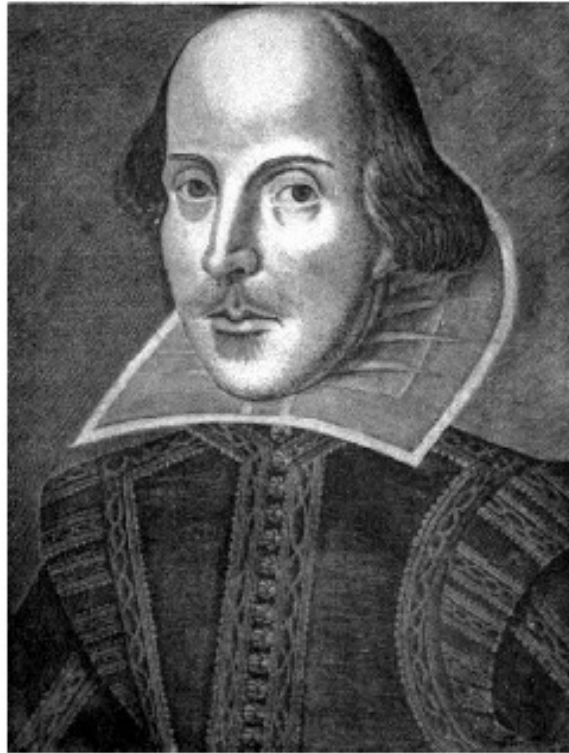
Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> @ 1:45 p.m.

Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> @ 6 p.m.

(Evening performance: \$3 Admission; MVUSD  
employees-free)

Concessions will be available for purchase.

## ADVANCED THEATRE AUDITIONS



On Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, there will be auditions for advanced theatre during the school day. You will need to prepare a monologue, about a minute long.

If you are interested in auditioning for the year-long elective, please contact Mrs. Hernandez at [chernandez@murrieta.k12.ca.us](mailto:chernandez@murrieta.k12.ca.us) for an audition time.

We will focus on Shakespeare, a musical, stand-up comedy, short films, and the Shakespeare Festival.

DOROTHY MCELHINNEY MIDDLE SCHOOL  
BEGINNING DRAMA CLASSES  
PRESENT

***“THE STORYBOOK ADOPTION”***

Think of all the many fairytales that you have read to your children. This play takes a microscopic viewpoint of the choices made by these characters we have grown to love, and presents hypothetical consequences of their actions.

***STUDENTS FROM LISA J. MAILES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
WILL BE OUR GUESTS AT THE FOLLOWING SHOWS:***

Performances at DMMS are as follows:  
Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 10:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.  
Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 10:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

The play runs about 30 minutes.  
It is appropriate for all ages.

ADMISSION IS FREE.

# Buy a Brick, Leave a Legacy!

*Be a part of history*

*Order Form*

**WRITE YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON A STANDARD 4X8 BRICK**

**(LIMIT 17 CHARACTERS PER LINE-INCLUDING SPACES)**

**\$40.00 CASH ONLY**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please Print*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN ORDER FORM WITH PAYMENT TO

ASB BOOKKEEPER IN THE FRONT OFFICE BY FRIDAY, 6/13/2014



# Clearing the NCAA Eligibility Center

**An Event Every Parent Should Attend!**



**Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

**6:30-8:00pm**

**Performing Arts Center**

**Vista Murrieta High School**

**Vista Murrieta High School Guidance**

**Eric Peterson**

**[epeterson@murrieta.k12.ca.us](mailto:epeterson@murrieta.k12.ca.us)**

**951-894-5750 x6779**

## **TOPICS TO BE COVERED:**

**Division I Initial Eligibility**

**Division II Initial Eligibility**

- Core Courses
- Test Scores
- G.P.A.

**Division III Core Course Requirements**

**What is a sliding scale?**

**Academic Certification**

**Amateurism Certification**

**What is a 48H**

**What is Non Traditional Coursework**

**Early Academic Certification**

**Understanding the New NCAA Rule**

**Changes for Class of 2016**

- Qualifier
- Academic Redshirt
- Non-Qualifier

**ACT/SAT Information**

**How to Calculate Your Core Course GPA**

**SSD Services**

**Steps to Take: 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup>  
grade years.**

## Vista Murrieta High School

28251 Clinton Keith Rd Murrieta Ca 92562:

**You cannot afford to miss this 90 minute investment in your student's future!**



## Vista Murrieta High School Athletic Physicals

Thurs. June 12 & Friday June 13, 2014

1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

COST: \$40



- Thursday, June 12: All Incoming Juniors and Seniors\*
- Friday, June 13: All Incoming Freshman and Sophomores\*

\*NOTE: Families with scheduling conflicts may attend either day.

Registration and Pay in the Gym Lobby.  
Cash or Money Order Only (no checks accepted)

- **IMPORTANT!!** Please download and complete the 2014 -2015 ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION PACKET WITH PHYSICAL FORMS which can be found on the [www.vmhs.net](http://www.vmhs.net) website and bring with you.

# ENHANCED COMMON CORE MATH PARENT NIGHT

Shivela Middle School  
Tuesday, May 6, 2014  
6:30-7:30

*Who: Parents of incoming 6th and 7th grade students, who are considering placement in Enhanced Common Core Math.*

**Topics to be discussed:**

- What will my child learn/do in Common Core Enhanced Math Courses?
- How will Enhanced Math Course prepare my child for high school?
- Who is the right student for Enhanced Math?

