

*Monthly News from DMMS*



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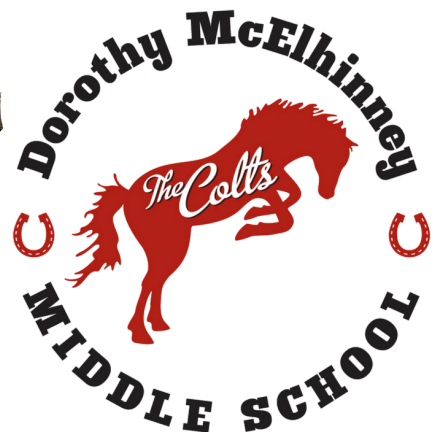
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## **PICTURED ABOVE**

The cheer squad is thrilled to bring spirit to campus again. See page two for other activities that are currently on campus.

## **HIGH SCHOOL INFO**

See the Counseling Corner on pg. 4 for information from Vista and Mesa regarding course registration.





## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

*Tom Patane*

Hello, Colt families!

As I'm writing this, I can't believe it's been a year since we closed our doors to students because of the virus. While there have been struggles, I could not be more proud of our students, staff, and parents for showing resiliency during these challenging times – thank you, thank you, thank you!


As we turn the corner on COVID, I feel confident that we are on a path toward a greater sense of normalcy. As you may have seen, Riverside County's Adjusted Case Rate (ACR) has dropped to 16.6 per 100,000 people, which is encouraging news. If we continue this downward trend, we hope to reach the 7.0 ACR mark necessary to enter the Red Tier soon. Because of this, the district has set a goal to return to school in a hybrid model on April 5th. Additionally, they are exploring an option to return 6th grade students to school during the week of March 23rd. This option would allow our 6th graders an opportunity to familiarize themselves with our campus, adjust to switching classes, and meet our staff. This is great news!

We will communicate more detailed information next week, so please be sure to review all information from our school and the district. Our staff is very excited about this news, and we can't wait for the safe return of our hybrid students – it's been way too long.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

*A few activities have been approved to return to practicing in-person.*


With numbers dropping in our county, specific groups have been approved to come back to campus with strict guidelines. Currently on campus we have drum line, dance, color guard, choir, cheer and band. Thank you to everyone who has done their part to make these program's returns to campus successful!



**VMHS presents...**

**INCOMING  
FRESHMEN  
INFORMATION  
NIGHT**

**Join us on Zoom**  
**March 2 @ 6:00 PM**  
<https://qr.go.page.link/JH3f1>



## UPCOMING DATES

*Mark your calendar!*

- 3/2 Read Across America  
Vista Incoming Freshman Night
- 3/3 College Spirit Gear  
(every Wednesday)
- 3/5 Colt Spirit Gear  
(every Friday)
- 3/10 LPAC Meeting
- 3/14 Daylight Savings Time
- 3/17 St. Patrick's Day
- 3/29-4/2 Spring Break

## FREE TUTORING

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## INFORMATION REGARDING IMMUNIZATIONS

*Carissa Hoffman, School Nurse*

This information is especially important for new and/or transfer students, as well as incoming 7th grade students. Although we are in the midst of an unexpected public health crisis, immunization requirements are still in place. The Public Health Department has been informing pediatricians that maintaining vaccination schedules remains a priority. Your healthcare provider should have well-child visits available to ensure immunizations are up-to-date. Immunization information from the State Public Health Department can be viewed at [www.shotsforschool.org](http://www.shotsforschool.org)

If you need resources for obtaining immunizations, please contact your School Nurse. We can accept copies via e-mail, fax, or in-person (kindly wear a mask on campus). Please make sure your child's name is visible on the record copy. Call the health office for specific contact information. We are here to help!

# COUNSELING CORNER



## 8TH GRADE PARENTS

*High School is right around the corner!*

Information for Vista, Murrieta Valley, and Mesa High Schools have been sent via email and links to all their information are attached in your student's DMMS Counseling Canvas tile. All course requests for 9th grade are due by March 5th. Course catalogs are available on each of the high school websites to help you plan your 9th grade course schedule. DMMS counselors are available to assist and answer questions. You can reach us via Canvas, email, or by phone, and we are available for virtual conferences.

[VISTA MURRIETA COURSE REQUEST LINK](#)

[MURRIETA MESA COURSE REQUEST LINK](#)

## MENTAL HEALTH GROUPS

*Take care of yourself!*

We are happy to announce we will be offering two more counseling groups for 6-8th grade starting in April. Please contact your student's counselor if you are interested in either the "Transition Back to School" or "Grief" Group.

## WHO IS MY COUNSELOR?

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