

Good evening Marauder families,

I hope this email finds you doing well and not too busy with plans for the upcoming long Holiday weekend. We have been hard at work at CHS working on asking thoughtful questions and getting students to think at deeper levels.

- I'm sorry that the notification for the change in parent meeting did not come out until late. It was supposed to reach all parents on Friday. Please consider joining our parent-advisory group. We usually meet the third Monday of each month from 6 - 7 pm in room 101 - B. At the next parent advisory meeting (11/28), we will be talking about our Carlson Clothes Closet (started and staffed by parents completely) and also discussing an upcoming fundraiser to purchase a set of Chromebooks for the high school. The dates for the rest of the Parent-Advisory Council are 12/19, 1/23, 2/13, 3/20, 4/17, and 5/15. Hope to see you there!
- The fall play, *Murder in the Knife Room*, was a lot of fun for students and the crowd. Congratulations to our students and Mr. Brockington for a job well done!
- If you hear your child talking about MPT (that's Marauder Pride Time). We began our enrichment portion of this at the quarter. Students have over 30 options that they can participate in and all are an extension of one of our subject areas that they may not get to participate in otherwise. So far, the reception has been really positive from students. We will continue to perfect the process of choosing so that even more students have their first, second, or third choices. This course does not receive a grade and attempts to shift the focus away from grades, and instead, focus on learning for the sake of learning.
- Meanwhile, in our late start Mondays, teachers are working through their first data cycle. Each team has chosen specific skills and has been pre-assessing students to determining specific strengths and challenges. Additionally, teachers will be using a shared instructional strategy to teach this essential skill. After, they will re-assess students and place them in intervention during their MPT time because it is crucial that students understand these concepts. I am grateful for the time to have these important conversations to make educational decisions for our students.
- Next week, we have the National Honor Society Induction ceremony on Thursday night, 12/1, beginning at 7:00 pm. If you believe your child should be in National Honor Society and have not received any information about this, please contact Mrs. Walters or Mr. Rice, our NHS sponsors.
- Students have a full day of school on Wednesday, and despite what they may tell, they are doing something that day in school (I'm not sure if I'm the only one whose kid has told them they aren't doing anything in school on a particular day, right?).

I hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and that you get to spend time relaxing and connecting with family and friends.

Take care,

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