



The Chatfield School

April 2, 2018

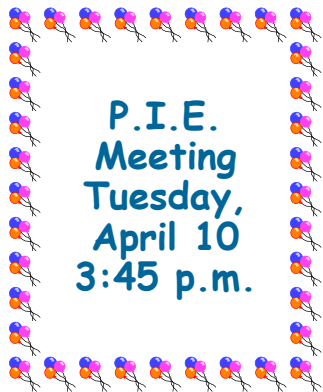
Bi-Monthly Newsletter



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From the Desk of the Directors

Students in grades 3-8 will be taking the M-STEP, Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress beginning in mid-April. We want to thank you in advance for supporting your child to do well on the assessments and for supporting the testers with snacks. Please stay tuned to your child's grade level newsletter for details regarding the assessments. Please take a moment to read the state superintendent's letter regarding M-STEP.

The fourth card marking of the school year begins next week. This is an important time to refocus on the importance of school work and learning. As the days grow warmer and it stays lighter later it can be difficult to remain in school mode. It is important that each day you provide your child with a set place to complete his or her school work and that time is given for reading and to focus on skills like math facts. A good rule of thumb is to dedicate a half hour a day to school work, reading, and math facts, even when there is no homework.

We have several exciting events coming up. On Thursday the middle school vocal performance team will present their performances. Additionally, on Thursday evening we will host the Harry Potter Hogwarts School event. Next week we will host the National Junior Honors Society Induction!

Middle School schedule forms are due to the homeroom teacher on or before April 6.

We have a PIE meeting on Tuesday, April 10 at 3:45pm. Mr. Corbett and Mrs. Conner will be presenting information about the Music curriculum and the Spanish curriculum respectively. We hope to see you there!

Matt Young and Bill Kraly, Co-Directors

MATH & READING FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Mark your calendars for April 23rd. Chatfield will host a Math and Reading Family Game Night! There will be lots of game stations to rotate through and yummy snacks! Please join us for a fun evening of math and reading enrichment. **Watch for the flyer with all the details in the next newsletter.**

NOT RETURNING TO CHATFIELD

If your family is not planning to return to Chatfield in the fall, please contact the office and let us know as soon as possible. This allows us to offer enrollment opportunities to other families. Thank you!

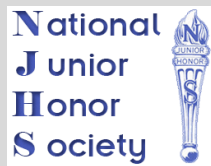


LUNCH BALANCES

If your child/children purchase hot lunch/milk, please check your lunch balance. The end of the school year will be here before you know it and we need to have all negative balances paid in full. If you have a positive balance at the end of the school year, it can be carried over to next year. Payments can be made online or at school.

NJHS INDUCTION

The National Junior Honor Society Inductions will be held on April 12th at 6:30 p.m.



DUCT TAPE A TEACHER!

On Thursday, April 5th, students will have the opportunity to duct tape a teacher!.

Duct tape will be sold for \$1.00 per arm length. Who will the teachers be??



*"A gush of bird song,
a patter of dew
A cloud and a rainbow's warning;
Suddenly sunshine and perfect blue
An April day in the morning!"*

~Harriet Prescott Spofford~



CINCO DE MAYO PIÑATAS

We will be celebrating the Mexican holiday of Cino De Mayo on **Friday, May 4th** so dress in bright colors that day.

Now is the time to buy reduced and wrapped Easter candy to fill the piñatas. You can also bring in little prizes such as pencils, eraser caps, bookmarks, "ligas locas" (crazy shaped rubber bands) or whatever you think the kids will like. We will need the candy or other items brought to each homeroom by **Monday, April 30th**, so we will have enough time to get the piñatas filled and ready for the fiesta on Friday.

Also, each homeroom will need volunteers to help put the candy in separate little baggies for each student. Please contact your homeroom teacher if you can help. The piñatas will be in each homeroom and Wee Dolphins the week of **Monday, April 30th**.

TRACK & FIELD HEAD COACH NEEDED

Chatfield School is in need someone to be the head coach for our Track Team this Spring. Practices are to begin on 4/2 with conditioning, but if we don't have a coach in place, they may be delayed to 4/9. The first meet is typically 4/21 or 4/28 depending upon when the track is available over at Lapeer Stadium. No coach will unfortunately result in not fielding a track team this year. We have a volunteer assistant but are in need of a head coach.

April 2, 2018 - May 29, 2018.

Practices 2-3 times a week (typically not Friday).

Practices typically run 4:00-5:30 p.m. (after school is dismissed).

An adult 18 years of age or older with ability to work with youth (grades 5-8).

An individual with knowledge of track events and running mechanics.

Volunteer position requiring the attendance of practices each week and 3-4 track meets.

Track meets are commonly held on Saturdays (8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

All persons interested in the head coach position (or that of an assistant coach position) can contact Keith Verellen (kverellen@chatfieldschool.org) or an administrator by calling 810-667-8970.





STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
LANSING

RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BRIAN J. WHISTON
STATE SUPERINTENDENT

March 1, 2018

Dear Parent,

Beginning in mid-April, your school district will administer the Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP) to students in grades 3-8. The M-STEP will be given online to nearly all students and will measure student knowledge of Michigan's high academic standards in English language arts (ELA), mathematics, science, and social studies.

High school students in grades 9 and 10 will continue to take the PSAT to provide schools, students, and parents valuable information on what students know in ELA and mathematics. It also helps students prepare for the SAT college entrance exam given to high school juniors as part of the Michigan Merit Examination (MME).

Students in grade 11 will take the MME, which consists of a free SAT that also measures student knowledge on Michigan's English language arts and mathematics standards; M-STEP science and social studies components; and a work skills assessment called WorkKeys.

We all want your child's state assessment experience to be as relaxed and stress-free as possible. Your positive outlook and supportive manner going into these assessments also will influence your child's experience.

Remember, testing is a part of learning. State assessment results do not impact student grades. They are designed to provide information on student knowledge and ability to be career- and college-ready upon graduation. Schools and district use the results for curriculum planning and school improvement initiatives that benefit all students.

M-STEP testing time has been significantly reduced since its first year, with further reductions made for 2018. In fact, students—on average—will spend no more than 3 hours on state tests in math and English language arts. Students in 5th and 8th grade who take state assessments in science and social studies will spend an additional two hours on those tests. Even so, 2018 state assessments *in total* take up less than 1 percent of total instructional time for the school year.

While we support parents in making choices for their children, there is no allowable way in state or federal law to "opt out" of state assessments. Students who are not assessed will count against their schools' participation rate, and create an incomplete picture of school performance. Schools rely on accurate test results to focus on students or

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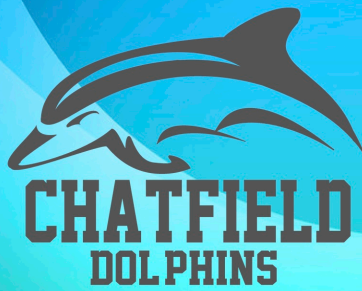
programs that may need more academic support. That's one reason federal law requires a 95% participation rate target on state assessments be used in a school's accountability rating.

To provide you with additional information on M-STEP, we have attached an overview called *M-STEP: WHAT IT IS, WHAT IT MEANS, AND WHAT IT OFFERS*. Additional information, including how you can help your child prepare for testing, is available on the M-STEP web page at www.mi.gov/mstep.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Brian J. Whiston". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Brian J. Whiston
State Superintendent



partners in education

UPDATES FROM MARCH MEETING

Our informational topic was school safety, and we not only heard from Mr. Young on the topic, but also Officer Wetzel, Lapeer's school liaison officer. We learned how the three main facets of school security (local law enforcement, drills, and school security staff) work together. Mr. Young's advice was to communicate to school staff any concerns we see, whether they are on social media, in the parking lot, wherever.

Upcoming Events:

- Harry Potter Night 4/5
- Calvelli's and Papa's Pizzeria Fundraiser Nights 4/9, 10 & 11
- Conference Dinners for Teachers 4/17 or 19
- Math and Reading Game Night 4/23
- Book Exchange
- Betty McCauley Memorial 5/12 - Volunteers needed

FUNDRAISER AND BUDGET UPDATE

We have had a great year of fundraisers!

Santa Shop \$3000
UnFundraiser \$3180
Box Tops \$1019
and more to come!

Balance as of 3/1/18
\$11,209.49

SAVE THE DATE NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 10TH AT 3:45PM!



**APRIL
9, 10 & 11**



PAPAS PIZZERIA

FUNDRAISER!

**ALL 3
LOCATIONS!**

**FOR EVERY PURCHASE MADE, 10% WILL BE GIVEN BACK TO CHATFIELD!
PLEASE BE SURE TO MENTION CHATFIELD WHEN ORDERING**

Calvelli's in Lapeer • 810.969.4844 • 44 W Park Street
Papa's Pizzeria in Metamora • 810.678.2272 • 4053 S Lapeer Road
Papa's Pizzeria in Goodrich • 810.636.9555 • 8341 S State Road

2018 Chatfield Archery Club

Spring Session I - Grades 3 - 8

April 8, 10, 17, 24



LIMITED TO FIRST 20 REGISTERED!

Tuesdays: 4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24

Time: 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40 (Checks made payable: The Chatfield School)

All participants will learn the essential elements of shooting a Genesis Bow with Easton 1820 arrows and following NASP guidelines including the “11 Steps to Successful Archery Shooting.”

Participants will shoot from 10 and 15 meters while learning how to become proficient in archery.

Participants do not need to have their own Genesis Bow to participate in the club. Bows and arrows will be provided to students for use for the duration of the club. Participants with their own Genesis bow can certainly use it during the club.

Any questions or concerns can be directed towards Mr. Verellen at kverellen@chatfieldschool.org or 810-538-1733.

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2018 Chatfield Archery Club

Spring Session I - Tuesday Nights

Name:	Grade:
Parent(s):	Phone:
Email:	T-Shirt: YM YL AS AM AL AXL

3RD ANNUAL CHATFIELD ARCHERY COMMUNITY SHOOT

The Chatfield School - 231 Lake Drive, Lapeer, Michigan 48446



Saturday, April 28th

TOP 5 PER DIVISION AWARDED MEDALS

Male & Female Divisions

Divisional Grade Levels: 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9-12

Genesis Compound Bows (Draw Weight of 10-20 lb.) along with Easton 1820 Arrows MUST be used. All essential equipment to participate will be supplied if participants don't have it.

SATURDAY SHOOTING TIMES

10:00, 10:45, 11:30, 12:15, 1:00, 1:45, 2:30, 3:15, 4:00

- \$10/ARCHER
- 20 ARCHERS PER FLIGHT
- ONE PRACTICE ROUND OF 5 ARROWS FROM EACH DISTANCE
- 5 ARROWS SHOT PER END
- ARCHERS SHOOT TWO SCORED ROUNDS ("ENDS") FROM 10M AND 15M
- TOP ROUND SCORE FROM EACH DISTANCE COUNTS (MAXIMUM SCORE - 100)
- AWARDS WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY 5:00
- TOP OVERALL MALE & FEMALE WIN \$50 TO SUNRY'S ARCHERY (FENTON)
- DOOR PRIZES RANDOMLY AWARDED THROUGHOUT THE DAY
- DRAWING FOR NEW TARGET BALE
- CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE DURING EVENT
- DOORS OPEN AT 9:00 TO REGISTER FOR EVENT...PLEASE ARRIVE 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO SHOOTING

For more information regarding this fun event, contact Keith Verellen (Chatfield Archery Director) at 810-417-1032/kverellen@chatfieldschool.org. Mail checks made payable to: The Chatfield School.

2018 CHATFIELD ARCHERY COMMUNITY SHOOT REGISTRATION

NAME	SCHOOL/GRADE
PARENT(S)	EMAIL
CITY	PHONE

2018 Chatfield Run Club

Spring Session - Wednesdays

5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 6/6



LIMITED TO FIRST 20 REGISTERED!

Cost: \$40 (Checks made payable to "The Chatfield School")

Time: 3:45-4:30 p.m.

Location: Club meets in lobby near gymnasium after school for a quick attendance.

Dates: 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 6/6, and *6/9 (Saturday)

***The "Spring Fling" Mile Run is held at 8:30 a.m. and ran on the "Prairies and Ponds" trail. Race participants can begin to check-in at 7:45 a.m. near The Willows. Mile run is open to any student from any school (ages 5-14)...\$15 for those participants not "club members."**

The Chatfield Run Club is open to any Chatfield student that wants to have fun learning about the art of running and/or just wants to exercise and have fun. Adults are invited to be active chaperones to help assist in guiding participants along the path. All are welcome!!!

All club memberships include the mile "fun run" race on Saturday, June 9th in addition to snacks and new "Club Swag" provided this year.

Please contact Keith Verellen, Run Club Coordinator, at kverellen@chatfieldschool.org or by phone at (810) 538-1733 for more information.

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2018 Chatfield Run Club

Spring Session - Wednesdays

Name:	Grade:
Parent(s):	Phone:
Email:	T-Shirt: YS YM YL AS AM AL
Emergency Contact:	Phone:

2018 Chatfield Track & Field

Grades 5-8



Track & Field Informational Meeting: Wednesday, March 21st @ 3:00 p.m. (GYMNASIUM)

Practices/Conditioning: Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays (4:00-5:30 p.m.) - outside (Dress Appropriately.)

First Practice: Monday, April 2nd @ 4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. (Meet in school lobby.)

2018 Track Season Fee: \$45 (Paid by 4/13)

Tentative Track Meet Schedule

4/21 - St. Paul Lutheran (LHS Stadium) - 9:00 a.m.

4/28 - Lutheran HS Northwest Meet (Rochester Hills) - 9:00 a.m.

5/5 - Valley Lutheran HS Meet (Saginaw) - 9:00 a.m.

5/12 - Chatfield Invitational (LHS Stadium) - 9:00 a.m.

5/29 - St. Paul "Meet of Champions" (LHS Track & Stadium) - 4:00 p.m.

All participants need a current "Sports Physical" to be on file in the athletic office to participate. Any sports physical or well-child exam performed after 4/15 of 2017 is valid for the track season this year.

Track running spikes are highly recommended for the track season.

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2018 Chatfield Track & Field

Name:	Grade:
Parent(s):	Phone:
Email:	
Desired Track Event(s):	Desired Field Event(s):



MINDFULNESS CLUB



The Mindfulness Club teaches participating students Core Mindfulness Skills using the MindUP™ curriculum with a hands-on approach. The Mindfulness Club does not promote spiritual or religious practice of any kind. Skills learned will focus on building the Mind-Body Connection, Self-Compassion, and Loving Kindness. The MindUP™ Curriculum used is grounded in Neuroscience, activated by Mindful Awareness, inspired by Positive Psychology, and a catalyst for Social-Emotional Learning. Mindfulness has been shown to stimulate, personal, academic, social, and emotional growth. The Mindfulness Club will be taught by Dialectical Behavior Therapist Grace Rawlins, LMSW.

Where: Willows (Indoors), Yoga Mat encouraged for Comfort

Time: 3:40-4:45 pm

Club Dues: \$20.00 (Please make Checks to: Chatfield School)

Please contact if there is a Financial Limitation

Session 3

K-2nd Grade: Tuesdays Beginning April. 24th

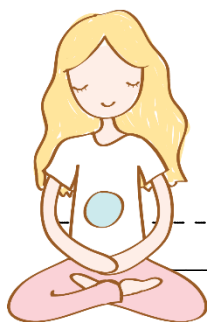
April 24 May 5, 8, 15, 22, 29 June 5, 12 (Party)

3-8th Grade: Thursdays Beginning April 26th

April 26 May 7, 10, 17, 24, 31 June 7, **Tuesday June 12 (Party)**

Missed Session 1 and 2?

You Can Start at Any Time



Mindfulness Builds:

Attention

Emotion Regulation

Concentration

Relax and Calm

Compassion

Adaptability

Kindness

Balance and Peace

_____ has my permission to attend Mindfulness Club at Chatfield School

Child-Friendly essential oils may be used: _____ has my permission to use Essential Oils

Food/Topical Allergies: _____

Parent or Legal Guardian: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____ Session 2: _____

Home Room Teacher: _____ Total \$20.00

Please Drop off Permission/Enrollment Slip to the Chatfield School Office or Homeroom Teacher

Chatfield School Weekly Events

Weeks of April 2nd & April 9, 2018

As of April 2, 2018

Monday, April 2, 2018

3-8th Grade Yoga-Library-3:40 p.m.

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

PreK-K Dance-Commons-3:35 p.m.

Mindfulness Club-Willows-3:40 p.m.

Crossfit-5th Grade Area-3:40 p.m.

Archery Club-Gym-6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

Vision Testing-Library Conference Room

1-2nd Grade Dance-Commons-3:35 p.m.

1st-3rd Yoga-Library-3:40 p.m.

Chatfield Run Club-Lobby-3:45 p.m.

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Vision Testing-Library Conference Room

Duct Tape a Teacher

3-8th Grade Mindfulness Club-Willows-3:40 p.m.

Harry Potter Hogwarts School-Gym-6:00 p.m.

Cub Scouts-Webelos I Den-6:00 p.m.

Vocal Performance Class Presentation-Music Room-6:30 p.m.

Cub Scouts-Wolf Den-Library-6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 6, 2018

1/2 Day of School-dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

Vision Testing-Library Conference Room-(if needed)

Bowling Club-Gerlach's Bowling Center-3:00 p.m.

Archery Team Practice-Gym-6:00 p.m.

Monday, April 9, 2018

3-8th Grade Yoga-Library-3:40 p.m.

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Pre K-K Dance-Commons-3:45 p.m.

Mindfulness Club-Willows-3:40 p.m.

Crossfit-5th Grade Area-3:40 p.m.

Archery Club-Gym-6:00 p.m.

DC Trip Meeting-Music Room-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 11, 2018

1-2nd Grade Dance-Commons-3:35 p.m.

1-3rd Grade Yoga-Library-3:40 p.m.

Pack 126 Committee Meeting-Library-7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 12, 2018

3-8th Grade Mindfulness Club-Willows-3:40 p.m.

NJHS Induction-Gym-6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 13, 2018

Bowling Club-Gerlach's Bowling Center-3:00 p.m.

Archery Team Practice-Gym-6:00 p.m.