

Good Afternoon, Bret Harte Community!

*The Chicago Children's Choir will be performing at Symphony Center at 220 S. Michigan Ave today, Wednesday, February 12th. The bus will be leaving at 8:45am and returning around 1:00pm. All chaperones are welcomed! Attire: **Black pants, black shoes, black socks**. Red choir shirts will be given out at school. Please be on-time!

*Students should wear sweatpants and a t-shirt on **gym days**. Jeans and leggings are **not** appropriate for gym class.

***Dismissal is at 3:15pm**. Staff is on-duty until 3:30pm. All students are expected to be picked up by this time, unless they are enrolled in an afterschool program. Please contact the main office for more details about after care. Students are not permitted to leave school property at the end of the day, go to the store, and return to the school. Safety first!

*Parent parking is to the right of the drop-off lane. The lot is for staff use only. If you are dropping off on 56th street, **please be mindful of our neighbors and be sure not to block or pull into the driveway in front of the Solstice**.

*CPS Score sheets are available to middle school students interested in cheerleading and flag football. **The forms are due to the main office no later than February 28th**.

*8th grade proofs went home. If you would like to purchase your child's pictures, they are due to the main office no later than February 21st. You may pay online at shop.hrimaging.com **Retakes are Tuesday, February 18th**.

*Band still has a few spots open if any 3rd-5th grade students are interested in playing. They meet Tuesdays from 3:30pm-5:30pm. Please contact Mr. Bright at cabright1@cps.edu if interested.

*After school **tutoring** forms will be sent home at the end of the week for students needing extra assistance, as identified by their teacher, in grades 2nd-3rd and 6th-8th. The sessions will begin the week of February 18th.

*Sex Health units will be taught during gym class starting in January. Notification letters with topics for each grade will be sent home and are available on our website.

*If you would like to volunteer within the school or on a field trip, please go to cpsvolunteers.org to be approved for level 1 or level 2 status. Level 2 is to chaperone. Level 1 is to work with students for 10+ hours within the school or to attend an overnight trip.

*Every student in attendance Monday through Thursday and in uniform may dress down on Friday. The dress code still applies: close toed shoes, no leggings or crop tops, and finger length shorts/skirts.

*Student fees are due before attending any field trips. They should be in no later than the beginning of October. These fees will go to cover the cost of digital subscriptions, magazines,

and other supplemental materials used in the classroom. You can pay online using the epay link on our website at harte.cps.edu or you can send cash or a money order to the main office. The cost is \$50 for 1 student and \$75 for 2 or more students.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, February 14th Last day to enter Read to Succeed Minutes online for your FREE Six Flags ticket!

Monday, February 17th President's Day: No School

Tuesday, February 18th Retakes: 8th grade pictures

Friday, February 28th Black History Assembly- Time is TBD

Monday, March 2nd Literacy Night from 4:30-6:00pm