

Message from the Principal

Dear Ashbrook Community,

March 15, 2019

The sun has returned and the temperatures are rising just in time for Spring Break! We enjoyed our time visiting with parents over the past two days. It's wonderful when parents and staff can work together for the success of our students.

HOW MSP WILL BE USED FOR SCHOOL-WIDE COMMUNICATIONS

We will continue to go live with more aspects of MSP in the coming weeks. This week's Compass will be the last communication from the school through the Blackbaud portals that include Netcommunity. As of Monday, March 18th that system will be completely closed down. All mass communication from the school - bulletins, the Compass, grade level or class emails, etc. will now come out of MSP. All school staff email addresses will remain the same.

If you have not initiated your login to MSP, it is imperative that you complete this task as soon as possible so you can stay in the loop of communication for key school events and information. Please contact Mr. Molyneaux at bmolyneaux@ashbrookschool.org if you need assistance.

When you are logged into MSP, we encourage you to find the Communications module (hover over the the word "Modules" in the upper left corner). You will find three key tools:

- Bulletin - school announcements
- Calendar - school and classroom events
- School Files - important documents provided by the school

After Spring Break, we plan to go live with these tools and will offer a quick overview of how they will be used for communicating important school information.

2019-2020 ACADEMIC CALENDAR ADOPTED

At this week's board meeting, the [2019-2020 Academic Calendar](#) was adopted. We continue our commitment to having a higher number of instructional hours than is required by the state. Next year there will be 171 full days - this is one week more than Corvallis SD is scheduled.

Some key changes to note for next year's academic calendar:

- Fall Conferences - we moved the December conferences to the end of October to help support the proactive collaboration between parents and staff earlier in the school year.
- Conferences are now a day and a half instead of just an evening and a day - this is to ensure that teachers have adequate time to meet with each of their students' families.
- Both sets of conference dates now align with the Corvallis School District's conference days so that our families can access the community child care opportunities offered.

ASHBROOK SUMMER PROGRAM INFO COMING NEXT WEEK!

We are excited to announce that Mrs. Britney Harris has been selected as the Summer Program Director. Mrs. Harris is currently working as a Teacher's Assistant in our Beginning School Program. We will be offering 8 weeks of summer camp starting the week of June 24 to August 23 (there will be no camp the week of July 1-5). An email will come out next week with the details of the program - daily schedules, camp themes, pricing, etc. Included with that email will be a link to RSVP your child's spot in the camp.

Your Principal,
Ms. Wonderly

“Collaboration & Communication with Consistency leads to Community”