



# MONTCLAIR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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**BRIONY CARR-CLEMENTE**  
*Principal*

February 23, 2024

Good afternoon Edgemont families,

Congratulations to our 5th grade students and Mr. Mellman for an incredible performance at the Board of Education meeting on Wednesday. It was an amazing performance- we are so proud!

We held our monthly 3B's Assembly today- we discussed bathroom expectations, as well as lunchroom expectations. Please ask your child about the assembly and continue to discuss the School Wide Expectations with your child- **be** a respectful peacemaker, **be** a responsible learner, **be** a safe student. We will continue to have discussions with the student body throughout the year.

**\*\*Tonight\*\*** is Edgemont's Movie Night where we'll watch Honey I Shrunk The Kids in the Multipurpose Room. Doors open at 6:45PM. Movie starts at 7:00PM. [This is not a drop off event.](#) All children must be supervised. Pre-purchase tickets [here](#) as we have limited space in the multipurpose room. We hope to see you tonight!

We are excitedly preparing for our Black History Month Assembly, which will take place on Tuesday, February 27 at 9:00AM. Families are welcome to attend.

Tickets are now on sale for STEAM Pop! on Saturday, March 2. [Buy your tickets today and save.](#) Be sure to add some raffle tickets to your order. Financial assistance is available. STEAM Pop! is Edgemont's Spring Family Fundraiser and celebration of all things STEAM (Science, Tech, Engineering, Arts, and Math) and pop culture! STEAM Pop! will take place Saturday, March 2nd from 9am to noon at Edgemont. You won't want to miss this family event featuring a Planetarium Show, an Animal Show by EYES of the Wild, hands-on art and activities, a community breakfast, the always popular Class Raffle Baskets, and auction for Teacher Treats and camps/family fun! Volunteers Needed! Want to help make this event a success? We can use your help both now and during the event. Sign up for a Shift on the [STEAM Pop! Volunteer Sign Up](#) or email [fundraising@edgemontpta.org](mailto:fundraising@edgemontpta.org) for more info. Have a middle or high schooler in need of community service hours? We are offering a Baking Community Service Opportunity to help fill the food table with treats, 2 hours community service per 2 dozen cookies/1 dozen muffins/1 quick bread. See the [Edgemont Community Breakfast signup](#) to learn more. There are also a few volunteer shifts available for Middle and High Schoolers to help during the event on the [STEAM Pop! Volunteer Sign Up.](#)

Please save the date for the Edgemont Fun(d) Run! The Fun(d) Run will take place on Saturday, March 16, 12:00PM-2:00PM (*Rain date- Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>*). Join us for a Fun(d) Run (or Walk) around Edgemont Park, plus games, food and music. This event is hosted by the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, with all funds to support graduation activities.

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**New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA)** for students in grades 3-8 are scheduled for May. Students in grades 3-5 will be administered the English Language Arts and Mathematics Assessments, and students in grade 5 will be administered the Science Assessment. Specific dates will be announced soon. **Please see the links below so you can learn more about the assessment and access practice tests:**

<https://www.nj.gov/education/assessment/resources/>

<https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/practice-tests/>

Please see below from our district office:

### ***Gifted & Talented Education Information***

*Dear Parents/Caregivers:*

*We are embarking upon the district Gifted & Talented Identification Process for the 24-25SY. Identification measures were selected to cast a wide net to “find” all students who will benefit from services for gifted learners. We offer referrals through multiple pathways: teachers, parents/guardians, and assessment scores.*

***Teachers, parents, and guardians** are invited to refer students for consideration for gifted services. In addition, district personnel will review achievement and aptitude scores (universal screening procedures) to include those students who may not have been referred by teachers, parents, or guardians in the identification process.*

*If you believe your child/student would benefit from gifted services, you are invited to refer them. **The referral window will be open Monday, March 4th (9:00am) - Friday, March 15th (4:00pm)**. Please note there will be no teacher, parent, and guardian referrals accepted after 4:00pm on March 15th, no exceptions.*

[English - MPS Gifted & Talented Referral Form for 24-25SY](#)

*A complete overview of the process can be found on the [district website](#). The following documents are quite comprehensive and will be able to answer all your questions.*

- [MPS Family Information - Identifying Gifted Learners](#)
- [MPS K-8 Gifted and Talented Comprehensive Plan](#)

### ***Información sobre educación para superdotados y talentosos***

*Estimados padres/cuidadores:*

*Nos estamos embarcando en el proceso de identificación de dotados y talentosos del distrito para el 24-25SY.*

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Se seleccionaron medidas de identificación para lanzar una amplia red para "encontrar" a todos los estudiantes que se beneficiarán de los servicios para estudiantes superdotados. Ofrecemos referencias a través de múltiples vías: maestros, padres/tutores y puntajes de evaluaciones.

Se invita a los maestros, padres y tutores a recomendar a los estudiantes para que sean considerados para servicios para superdotados. Además, el personal del distrito revisará los puntajes de logros y aptitudes (procedimientos de evaluación universal) para incluir a aquellos estudiantes que no hayan sido referidos por maestros, padres o tutores en el proceso de identificación.

Si cree que su hijo/estudiante se beneficiaría de los servicios para superdotados, está invitado a recomendarlo. La ventana de referencia estará abierta del lunes 4 de marzo (9:00 a. m.) al viernes 15 de marzo (4:00 p. m.). Tenga en cuenta que no se aceptarán referencias de maestros, padres ni tutores después de las 4:00 p. m. del 15 de marzo, sin excepciones.

[Español - Formulario de referencia para estudiantes superdotados y talentosos de MPS 24-25SY](#)

Puede encontrar una descripción completa del proceso en el sitio [web del distrito](#). Los siguientes documento son bastante completos y podrán responder a todas sus preguntas.

- [Plan Integral para Dotados y Talentosos de MPS K-8](#)

Please continue to remind your child to check the Lost & Found. Lost & Found bins are located outside of the Multipurpose Room. Please continue to label items as well.

Please check the Montclair Public Schools [Digital Backpack](#) often. A lot of information is posted here.

**School Lunch Application** can be found here: <https://www.nlappscloud.com/>

**Lunch Menu** information can be found here: <https://www.fdmealplanner.com/>

**Merchandise** can be found here: <https://edgemontessori.memberhub.com/store>

Take care,



Briony Carr-Clemente  
Principal

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**Important Date/Reminders:**


Our doors open at **\*8:10AM\***.  
Drop-off takes place between **\*8:10AM-8:20AM\***.  
Dismissal is at **\*2:35PM\***.

**Tickets Now On Sale!**



**Saturday,  
March 2nd  
9am - 12pm  
@ Edgemont**

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LLAMANDO A TODOS LOS ARTISTAS

La inscripción abre a las 8PM del Domingo 25 de Febrero

SÓLO UNA NOCHE! **MARZO 27** MIÉRCOLES *¡Guárdate este día!* **¡ESPECTACULOS INOLVIDABLES!** **¡ARTE INCREÍBLE!**

La inscripción abre a las 8PM el Domingo 25 de Febrero. Los estudiantes pueden participar como artistas o contribuir con una obra de arte para la galería de exposiciones. Los espacios para presentaciones son limitados, por lo que se recomienda encarecidamente registrarse a tiempo.

REGISTRO Y PREGUNTAS: 

Visit [bit.ly/2ag1gKZ](http://bit.ly/2ag1gKZ) o contacta [talentshow@edgemontpta.org](mailto:talentshow@edgemontpta.org)

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CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

Registration opens 8PM on Sunday, February 25

ONE NIGHT ONLY! **MARCH 27** WEDNESDAY *¡Save this date!* **UNFORGETTABLE PERFORMANCES!** **AMAZING ART!**

Registration opens at 8PM on Sunday, February 25. Students can participate as performers or contribute a work of art for the show gallery. Performance spots are limited, so timely registration is highly recommended.

REGISTRATION & FAQ: 

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