Dear parents/guardians,

The PTO is thrilled to be offering Magnificent Mondays again this year! Please see the attached information with classes and their descriptions.

Registration for classes is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

- The form for signing up will go live on Sunday, December 17 at 7:00 p.m.
- You must fill out a SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM FOR EACH CHILD. To access the JotForm to sign up your child for a class, click <u>HERE</u>. You can also find the link on the PTO Facebook page and the PTO website.
- Grade levels are listed for each class. Please only sign your child up for a class of his or her grade level.
- Please include the name(s) and phone number(s) of anyone (other than you) who may be picking up your child at dismissal. Only the people that you include on the JotForm will be permitted to pick up your child. Classes fill up quickly, so have that information ready to go early!
- Classes fill up quickly, and although your child could be waitlisted, we cannot promise that he or she will be admitted. If a class fills up, you must email <u>hartwoodmagnificentmondays@gmail.com</u> so that we can add your child to the waitlist.
- If you are experiencing financial hardship, please sign up on the JotForm, and then reach out to Mrs. Kissinger (jacqueline_kissinger@fcasd.edu) for financial support.

Please remember that classes will run from January 8 to February 26 (except for January 15 and February 19 due to holiday closures). Classes will begin after school, and dismissal will occur at 4:20 p.m. Students who attend the YMCA program can attend Magnificent Mondays, and then they can go to the YMCA.

Please note that if your child decides to no longer attend Magnificent Mondays, you have until January 2 to cancel; after that point, no refunds will be given. In addition, registration will close on Tuesday, December 19.

We are still in need of volunteers. If you can help with even one Monday, please sign up <u>HERE</u> and make a note in "comment" of when you are available.

Please email us at <u>hartwoodmagnificentmondays@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions.

Thank you for your support! Amy Yates 412-260-5488 Jan Fox 724-256-2234



Beat the Winter Blues and sign your child up for....

MAGNIFICENT MONDAYS



- What are "Magnificent Mondays?"
 - Magnificent Mondays is a program sponsored by the Hartwood Parent-Teacher Organization, with all proceeds benefiting the HPTO.
- How much does it cost?
 - o The cost of the program is \$50 per child. However, certain programs have additional fees to cover the cost of materials. Additional fees are noted below and will be included with registration.
- When does the program start and how long does it run?
 - The program runs each Monday from January 8 to February 26 (except for January 15 and February 19 due to holiday closures).
 - o Classes begin immediately after school. Dismissal is at 4:20 p.m.
 - Please note the safety of your child(ren) is our top priority so we will follow strict dismissal procedures. You will need to provide an ID and signature when picking up your child(ren). Only individuals listed on the registration form for pick-up will be permitted to take your child. The sign-out process may take time, so we appreciate your patience!
- How do I sign-up?
 - You can sign your child up using the Magnificent Mondays Jotform, which will be available via email and on the PTO Facebook page and the PTO website. Please note, due to Jotform restrictions, you will need to fill out a separate registration for each child. You will not be able to include more than one child per form. Also, as in prior years, all of the classes have a maximum allowable number of students; therefore, sign-ups will be on a first-come first-serve basis, so sign-up early! All payments MUST be made through JotForm (using PayPal).
- Should I pack my child a snack?
 - o We have built time into the schedule to permit a small healthy snack before the program starts. If possible, we ask that you send in an allergy-friendly snack. Please

note: If you want your child to have a snack, you must send this snack with your child each week.

- What can my child do?
 - *o* Your child can choose between several different activities depending on his or her grade level. Your child will remain in his or her chosen activity throughout the duration of the program.
 - o Please see the list below for descriptions.
- Activities for this year include:
 - **Chess for Beginners for grades K-5:** Children with little to no chess experience will learn the basics of chess, including names of chess pieces and moves. Children will enhance their logic skills while adapting to playing against their opponents.
 - **Chess Tournament for grades K-5:** Children with chess experience will compete in a round robin tournament to declare the chess master. Children will learn how to compete with one another while being kind and courteous.
 - o Math Pentathlon for grades K-1: Students will enhance their mathematical skills in the areas of geometry, addition, and strategy via mathematical games. Children who enjoy competition with their peers while developing their logical skills will enjoy this class. Children will practice for the optional competition against other elementary schools, which will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at Dorseyville Middle School. Students will receive a t-shirt and a medal for participating in this class.
 - Math Pentathlon for grades 2-3: Students will develop their mathematical skills in logic, spatial awareness, and arithmetic by way of games. Children who enjoy competition with their peers while developing their logical skills will enjoy this class. Children will practice for the optional competition against other elementary schools, which will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at Dorseyville Middle School. Students will receive a t-shirt and a medal for participating in this class.
 - o Math Pentathlon for grades 4-5: Students will expand their mathematical skills in games that address fractions, categorization and grouping, and strategy. Children who enjoy competition with their peers while developing their logical skills will enjoy this class. Children will practice for the optional competition against other elementary schools, which will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at Dorseyville Middle School. Students will receive a t-shirt and a medal for participating in this class.
 - Open Gym for grades 1-3: The students will participate in different activities each week that are focused on physical fitness and designed to burn energy! Students will be encouraged to practice fair play and develop appropriate responses to competition.



- **Open Gym for grades 4-5:** The students will participate in different activities each week that are focused on physical fitness and designed to burn energy! Students will be encouraged to practice fair play and develop appropriate responses to competition.
- Outside the Box (Science) for grades 1-5: Join the team from Outside the Box Labs for 6 weeks of fun, excitement and exploration as the group examines the world through the lens of science. Outside the Box Labs' workshops foster creativity and promote a do-it-yourself mentality that lets students get their hands dirty and their minds working as they solve problems, invent solutions and apply science to the things they do every day. Topics include fossil hunt, music, sound and waves, bubble and surface tension, growing crystals, and chemical solubility. This program carries an additional fee of \$40/child.
- o **Painting/Crafts for grades 1-4:** In this class, students will learn painting and other fun art techniques. Students will share creative experiences, create fun projects and develop a deeper appreciation for arts and crafts.
- Reader's Theater for grades 3-5: "All the world's a stage!" Come join our company of actors, as we step into the world of theater. Students will collaborate in a group as they play theater games, practice speaking and listening skills, build confidence, and use their imaginations. Each week a new script of a familiar story will be introduced. Students will each play a part as they work through reading the lines, becoming the characters, and performing on stage.
- o **Tae Kwon Do for grades K-5:** Tae Kwon Do will be led by a certified instructor from Young Brothers Tae Kwon Do. The children will learn many Tae Kwon Do moves, as well as respect and self-control.
- o Yearbook for grade 5: Students will learn what goes into making a yearbook as well as the basics of how to take a good yearbook picture. Students will practice their photo-taking skills by taking pictures of Magnificent Monday classes. They are all given individual jobs to help contribute to the design of the book. While the yearbook is a yearlong process, students in this class will benefit from working collaboratively while learning the design process.

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