

MSMHS FISH TALES...



that are true from the desk of Dr. Spera

Week of February 10, 2014

Snow Continues to Change the 1st Graduation Date



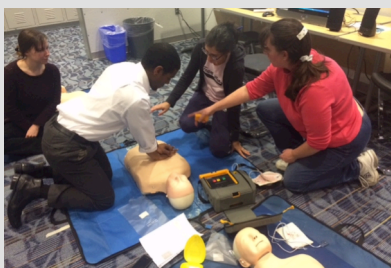
GROTON, CT – Whenever there is a threat of snow, our MSMHS students cheer for a snow day. However, each snow day occurring over the next month means a different last day of school date that ultimately means a different graduation date for the first graduating class of 2014.

With today's snow day, graduation will now be held on Tuesday, June 17th at the University of Connecticut - Avery Point Campus at 6 pm. As you can imagine, each snow day comes with a different graduation date that requires additional phone calls to secure a guest speaker, flower delivery, stage set-up, police and ambulance presence, and so on. Moreover, these snow days also take away from curriculum deadlines for our teachers preparing students for the CAPT and the Advanced Placement courses. However, MSMHS has made arrangements for these missing days.

As of Wednesday, February 11th, MSMHS was the first but not last New England high school to be granted free late AP testing in late May. Furthermore, MSMHS sophomores will now take their Science CAPT on March 19th and 20th. In summary: Enough already!

Dr. Spera making the best of the snow with his MSMHS snowman.

MSMHS Staff Get Trained in CPR/AED



On Wednesday, eight staff members received CPR/AED training from MSMHS Parent and first responder, Cheryl Gilot whose daughter Emily is a sophomore at MSMHS.

The CPR/AED training initiative led by MSMHS School Nurse and parent,

Jennifer Tyrol, will allow most of the MSMHS staff to be trained in CPR, AED, and first aid. Currently, 40% of the MSMHS staff is currently certified in CPR. Further training dates will be offered and announced in Fish Tales for any student, parent or teacher interested.

Class of 2018 Call for MSMHS Acceptance

For the past three weeks, over 60 8th grade applicants were asked to join the MSMHS family. These 60+ students were required to reply back to MSMHS before the remaining slots are drawn from the applicant pool.

Each applicant accepted received a personal phone call from MSMHS Principal, Dr. Spera, and has/will come to MSMHS to meet the faculty and staff. The meet and greet allows students and parents to ask any additional questions before final acceptance.

All sophomore transfer applicants will be called in early June 2014. Furthermore, as many of our students know, incoming 9th grade students may be called to fill slots through the first week of school! Welcome class of 2018!



UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS

A/B Schedule for the Week of February 10th

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
B DAY	A DAY/ Advisory	B DAY	A DAY	B DAY/ Advisory

UPCOMING EVENTS

*Don't Forget to Sign-Up for the
3rd Annual MSMHS Spelling Bee
April 4, 2014 at MSMHS @ 7 pm*

Team Forms are available in the main office and online

2014-2015 Program of Studies
Course Selection - March 31st

New Courses including:

*UCONN Marine Biology, UCONN Spanish, Forensics,
Field Research classes (semester courses), Honors
Psychology, Latin II, and AP Literature for future
Juniors and Seniors*

REMINDER TO STUDENTS

**Students must have teacher recommendation and the necessary grades to enroll in AP/Honors/ECE courses.
GET YOUR HOMEWORK DONE!!**