

The Morgan School Principal Keri Hagness Assistant Principal Chris Luther

The Morgan School cultivates intellect and character in partnership with families and community.

I've always loved the first day of school better than the last day of school. Firsts are best because they are

beginnings.

Dear Morgan Families,

It's been a great start to our year! This week was filled with smiles and special moments to kick off our 2023-2024 school year. We cannot wait to watch our students grow academically, personally, and socially. It will be a exciting and magical year!

Mrs. Hagness and Mr. Luther



- MORGAN PICTURE DAY September 7 NEXT WEEK!
- MORGAN OPEN HOUSE September 14 6:00 pm
- FINANCIAL AID NIGHT September 19 6:00 pm
- **PSAT DAY** October 11 (9th, 10th, 11th graders)
- MORGAN PICTURE MAKE-UP/RETAKE DAY October 19 during lunch waves
- MORGAN TEACHER CONFERENCES NOVEMBER 16
- MID TERM EXAMS January 16-19
 - (subject to change based on weather related closings)
- 8th GRADE OPEN HOUSE February 28
- NGSS TESTING March 6 Juniors Only
- SAT DAY March 27
- JUNIOR PORTFOLIO April 4 Juniors Only
- **<u>AP TESTING</u>** May 6-10 & May 13-17
- JUNIOR PROM May 3
- SENIOR PROM May 17
- SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT May 29
- UNDERCLASSMEN AWARDS May 31
- FINAL EXAMS June 4-June 10
- **GRADUATION** June 10 6:00 pm

Please note: we will continue to update this throughout the year and notify you of any changes as soon as possible.

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Day 3		Day 4		Day 1		Day 2	
	Drop B & F		Drop A & E		Drop D & H		Drop C & G	
	Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
		7:35-8:31 am	_	7:35-8:31 am		7:35-8:24 am		7:35-8:31 am
A	56 min	B	56 min	A	49 min	A	56 min	
No School	8:31-8:35 am (4 min)		8:31-8:35 am (4 min)		8:24-8:28 am (4 min)		8:31-8:35 am (4 min)	
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	C	56 min		56 min				56 min
Monday,	9:31-9:35 am (4 min)		9:31-9:35 am (4 min)		8:58-9:02 am (4 min)		9:31-9:35 am (4 min)	
September 4	D	9:35-10:31 am	D	9:35-10:31 am		9:02-9:51 am	D	9:35-10:31 am
Jeptember 4	P	56 min		56 min	B	49 min		56 min
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G3		12:40-1:10 pm	B	12:40-1:10 pm	B	11:54-12:24 pm	F3	12:40-1:10 pm
	U)	30 min		30 min		30 min		30 min
	1:10-1:14 pm (4 min)		1:10-1:14 pm (4 min)		1:24-1:28 pm (4 min)		1:10-1:14 pm (4 min)	
	H	1:14-2:10 pm	H	1:14-2:10 pm	F	12:28-1:17 pm	H	1:14-2:10 pm
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RAPTOR VISITOR INFORMATION

We have been using The Raptor system for the past 2 years for all students entering after the start of school This year we have begun to use the system for all other visitors. This will better allow us to accurately account for visitors, contractors, and volunteers in our school and create a safer environment for our students and staff.

Upon entering the building, visitors will enter the main office and be asked to present a valid driver's license or state-issued ID. The ID will be scanned into the Raptor system. Once entry is approved, a badge will be generated, which will include the visitor's name, the date and the purpose of their visit. Please note that the system only scans the visitor's name, date of birth and photo for comparison with a national database.

We appreciate your support as we work together to create a safer school environment for everyone.

SCHOOL PHOTOS ARE NEXT WEEK - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7!

- School Portraits will be taken for Grades 9-12 on Sept 7.
- If you would like to purchase photos using a credit card, please use the link and password below.
- If you prefer to pay with cash or check, an order form is attached to this email. Exact change is required if paying in cash.
- Orders will be accepted **until midnight on Sept 7**.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- The background for all high school photos is gray.
- Every student will have their photo taken for the Yearbook and Power School.
- If you don't order before the Sept 7 deadline, you will have to wait until the photos are returned to the school (approximately three weeks after photo day). At that point, you will receive a proof slip with a unique code to order your photos. Shipping will be charged on all orders placed after the ordering deadline.

LINK TO ORDER PHOTOS

https://www.theimageconnection.com/Preorder/StudioStart?studioId=044 43

Password- MOR23 (*The password is case-sensitive*)

If you have any questions, please contact Steady Photography at 203-488-5170 or email <u>studio@steadyphotography.com</u>. Our normal business hours are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.



School Photo Order Form



PHOTO PACKAGES

A | \$49 Digital File (1) 8x10 (2) 5x7 (2) 4X5 (4) Wallets

B | \$39 (1) 8x10 (1) 5x7 (2) 4X5 (8) Wallets

C | \$25 Digital File Only

D | \$23 (1) 5x7 (1) 4x5 (2) Wallets

E | \$31 Digital File (1) 5x7 (1) 4x5 (4) Mini Wallets

TOUCH-UP

T | \$10 Removes acne, blemishes & uneven skin tone.

PACKAGE PURCHASE REQUIRED

IF NO PACKAGE IS PURCHASED YOUR ORDER WILL BE **RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL**

J: 8x10	\$7.50	
K:(2) 5x7	\$7.50	
L:(4) 4x5	\$7.50	
M:(8) Wallets	\$7.50	
N:(16) Mini Wallets	\$7.50	
O:(2) 4x5 Magnets	\$15	
P:(4) Wallet Magnets	\$13	

PHOTO OPTIONS WITHOUT PACKAGE PURCHASE

V: 8x10	\$20	
W:(2) 5x7	\$20	
X: (4) 4x5	\$20	
Y: (8) Wallets	\$20	

A GRAY BACKGROUND WILL BE USED FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL PORTRAITS

STUDENT INFORMATION	ORDER SI	ELECTIONS	
FLEAVE FRINT	PKG LETTER	COST	
GRADE	PKG LETTER	COST	
	PKG LETTER	COST	
SCHOOL	PKG LETTER	COST	
		TOTAL\$	
STUDENTS FULL NAME / NO NICKNAMES	PAYM	ENT OPTIONS	
PHONE	CASH OR CHECK Please make checks payable to "STEADY PHOTOGRAPHY" There is a \$25 fee for returned checks.		

WELCOME CLASS OF 2027

While we were excited to welcome all of Morgan back this week, we were especially excited to welcome a new group of students to our family -

The Class of 2027

Here are a few highlights from our STEP program held on August 16-18. While we are fortunate to be able to run a 3 day orientation program welcoming the freshman class, we are even more fortunate to have such an amazing group of upperclassmen volunteer their time to create such a special experience for our freshman!



HAPPY NEW YEAR HUSKY STYLE!

Mrs. Luther celebrated the new year with her classes in style! What a great way to kick off a new year!



MORGAN CLUB INFORMATION

Students completed a club interest survey during advisory to help us determine which clubs will be offered for this year. More information will be shared in the coming weeks.

ANNUAL UPDATE FORMS

Students received packets on the first day of school during Advisory. Thank you to everyone that has returned their students annual update forms to the main office. If you have not already done so, please review these forms and have your child return them by September 8.. It helps to have the most up-to-date information on file for your child's health and safety.

MORGAN STUDENT-PARENT HANDBOOK

Check out the <u>2023-2024 Student-Parent Handbook</u>. It has lots of helpful and important information in it for you and your child to read through.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Junior and Senior students have an amazing opportunity to apply for a BOE student representative position. Applications for any 11th and 12th grade students interested in applying for open seats as BOE Student Reps are due by Friday, September 15. Here is a <u>link</u> to the application form and <u>another</u> with more information about the position.

Interviews will be held on Tuesday, September 19. It is anticipated that the new student reps will be seated for the BOE regular meeting on Monday, October 2, 2023.

2023-2024 Health Office Reminders

General Health and Attendance Information

In order to protect the health of all students and staff, we ask parents/guardians to keep their children home when they are ill. The following link will provide information on when children must stay home from school and when the school nurse will call parent/guardian if a student becomes ill at school and needs to be picked up. Guidelines for illness at home and at school

Flu and COVID Information

This fall, it is expected that influenza and COVID-19 will be circulating at the same time. The DPH wants to remind parents and guardians that it is especially important that all students and staff receive their flu vaccine. It is anticipated that an updated COVID-19 vaccine will also be available sometime later next month.

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) and Department of Public Health have communicated that COVID-19 mandates are no longer in effect for schools, and school districts no longer have to report COVID-19 cases to the DPH.

School districts are encouraged to follow CDC guidelines when setting up policies and procedures for the upcoming school year. For the latest guidance from the CDC, open this link <u>CDC Recommendations for Schools</u>. Clinton Public Schools, in conjunction with guidance from Connecticut River Area Health District (CRAHD), recommends that anyone diagnosed with COVID-19 remain out of school/work for 5 days, return to school/work on day 6, and mask through day 10.

Contact Information

School Nurse Supervisor Donna Frechette (<u>dfrechette@clintonpublic.net</u>) will continue to be the point of contact for general health questions and specific to COVID-19 concerns.

Health Offices Contact Information Joel Health Office: joelnurse@clintonpublic.net Phone (860) 664-6571 Fax: (844) 831-2351

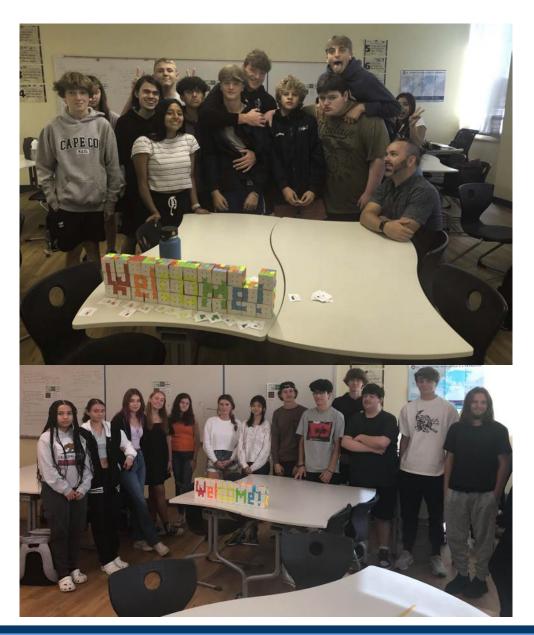
Eliot Health Office: <u>eliotnurse@clintonpublic.net</u> Phone (860) 664-6573 Fax: (855) 834 5417

Morgan Health Office: morgannurse@clintonpublic.net Phone (860) 664-6574 Fax (855) 769-3805

RUBIK'S CUBE MURAL

Mr. Milcent's classes worked their magic to WELCOME in the school year!





CLASS OF 2024 COMMUNICATION - SCHOOL COUNSELING

Hello Seniors, welcome back!

We are looking forward to working with you this fall as you adjust back to being in school and preparing for your future! As many of you know, we've had a few changes in our School Counseling Department. We are so pleased to welcome Mr. Christopher Marinaro to our school community. He is a CT shoreline parent who enjoys cooking, gardening and singing, but is particularly excited about working with young people to help them identify their own interests and exploring options to pursue for their future.

Additionally, we wanted to assure Mrs. Zdunczyk's seniors (last names A-H) that they will be connected to a school counselor to assist with their college planning until Mrs. Zdunczyk returns. Please reference the chart below to see who you will be working with this fall.

Counselor	Grade 12
Mrs. Couch	A-C
<u>ccouch@clintonpublic.net</u>	I-M
Mr. Marinaro	D;
cmarinaro@clintonpublic.net	N-S
Ms. Sayed	E-H;
msayed@clintonpublic.net	T-Z

All school counselors will be reaching out to you in the next two weeks and inviting you to schedule an appointment.

Have a great weekend and know that we are here to support you!

THE MORGAN SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB



OUR ANNUAL MORGAN BOOSTER PASS DRIVE IS UNDERWAY!

STUDENT & SENIOR CITIZEN PASS: \$30

The Morgan Booster Pass provides Admission into ALL

Regular Season Games

Athletic events NOT included: Shoreline and State Tournament Games

ADULT PASS:

\$35

WHEN & HOW MORGAN BOOSTER PASSES WILL BE SOLD: Passes will be sold in-person on August 22nd and The Morgan School Sports Night and at Morgan's Open House on September 14th. We're also selling passes at the first two home football games (Brigockas Field at the Peters Complex) and soccer games (Indian River Complex). We are also continuing to offer an online option to purchase passes (see below).

How to purchase a pass online:

Complete the <u>Google Form</u> & pay using Venmo @MSBC-2 or PayPal. Your pass will be mailed to you.



The Morgan School... @MSBC-2

Thank you in advance for your support of MORGAN ATHLETICS. Your donations help us fulfill coaches' requests, host special student events & giveaways, provide our student-athletes with various athletic gear & supplies not covered by the BOE budget, and fund Senior Awards & Scholarships.

> Interested in volunteering or making a donation? Contact us at themorganboosterclub@gmail.com



THE MORGAN TOWER 2024 YEARBOOK

Don't miss out - reserve your copy today!

WAYS TO ORDER:



ONLINE JOSTENSYEARBOOKS.COM



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OTHER HELPFUL INFO:

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CALL 1.877.767.5217 8AM-5PM CST MONDAY-FRIDAY

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JUNIOR/SENIOR PRIVILEGE

Here is some information about junior/senior privilege:

- If your child has a study hall first period they can arrive late
- If your child has a study hall last period they can leave early
- Parent/guardian <u>MUST</u> complete the following form in Family ID (link is below)
- link to Family ID
- Students must leave through the main entrance.
- Students should have their Student IDs ready to scan in the foyer when they you are arriving late to scan in the Raptor iPad

DROP OFF PROCEDURES FOR STUDENT ITEMS

When dropping off items for your child, there are shelves in the foyer of the front entrance specifically for this reason. You can leave the item labeled with your child's name and they can get it in between classes.



IMPORTANT LINKS

CLINTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

THE MORGAN SCHOOL

MORGAN PAW PRINT

TECH HELP DESK

MORGAN ATHLETICS CALENDAR

IMPORTANT DATES

- 9/4 Labor Day NO SCHOOL
- 9/7 School Photo Day
- 9/14 Morgan Open House 6pm
- 9/16 Rosh Hashanah
- 9/21 PD Early Dismissal
- 9/25 Yom Kippur School in Session
- 10/9 Columbus Day NO SCHOOL
- 10/11 PSAT Day 9th, 10th & 11th