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## **Friday Flyer May 17, 2019**

### **Upcoming Events:**

5/13 - 5/30 3rd - 8th Grade State Testing  
5/20 - 5/22 Spring Book Fair  
5/22 - MINIMUM DAY - DISMISSAL @ 12:00p  
5/22 - OPEN HOUSE - 6:30p - Book Fair and food available at 5:30p  
5/24 - Free Dress Day!  
5/27 - NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day

### **Spring Book Fair Next week - we're still looking for a few more volunteers to help us run it!**

It's that time of year again! Book Fair! This year the Spring Book Fair will run from May 20th through the 22nd. We will need volunteers to run the fair both in the mornings before school and in the afternoons directly after school. We will also need volunteers to help run it during the Open House from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. As usual, time will be counted as DOUBLE your volunteer hours. Help support the library while encouraging your child's love of reading. Please use our SignUpGenius link to schedule available times.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4AA4A62EA7FF2-2019>

### **State CAASSP Testing update**

We've completed week one of state testing. By the end of next week, all students 3rd-8th Grade will have taken the ELA Sections of the test, and some will have completed the MATH sections. Make-up test will start next week for students who may have been absent on a testing day. During testing, please make sure that your child(ren) are a) getting plenty of sleep, b) are eating good breakfasts and c) are bringing healthy snacks. Each classroom will be sending more specific information about their testing periods and needs to their family distribution lists.

### **2019-2020 Reserved Parking Spot WINNER!**

The winner of the reserved parking spot for the 2019-2020 school year is the Douglas family! Congratulations! Thank you everyone, again, for all of your generous donations during the Big Day of Giving!

### **Summer Camp 2019**

Summer Camp is filling up FAST! It's only \$105/wk if you sign up **by May 24th!** It goes up to \$115/wk on May 25th. Check out our Summer Camp 2019 webpage at <https://www.mmcharter.org/summer-camp>, and take a look at the SC Flyer at the end of the Friday Flyer. For any questions about Summer Camp, please contact our Summer Camp Director Julie Cohodes at [jcohodes@mmcharter.org](mailto:jcohodes@mmcharter.org).

**MMCA Summer Camp:**  
June 10-August 9

\$95/wk by May 3  
\$105/wk by May 24  
\$115/wk after May 25  
**10% Sibling Discount!**

Visit our link: [www.mmcharter.org/summer-camp](http://www.mmcharter.org/summer-camp)

**CAMP HOURS:**  
9am-1pm  
Before & After Care Available  
7:30am-9am  
1pm-6pm

# Kids SUMMER Camp

**SCHEDULE**

- Week 1: Going on Safari
- Week 2: Backyard Fun!
- Week 3: Potions & Experiments
- Week 4: FABtastic! Fun with FABric
- Week 5: Games of ALL SIZES!
- Week 6: Candy Engineering
- Week 7: Music & Dance
- Week 8: Cooking Academy
- Week 9: Star Wars

Outdoor Fun

Games & Activities

Experiments

Summer Camp Director  
Julie Cohodes  
[jcohodes@mmcharter.org](mailto:jcohodes@mmcharter.org)

## [Proposed Anti-Charter School Legislation Update](#)

In an effort to continue to keep our families informed, I am republishing a letter sent by CCSA President Myrna Castrejon today (5/17/19) to charter school leaders regarding the anti-charter school legislation that's in the state legislature right now.

Dear Charter Leaders,

Considering the proof that charters are [achieving incredible success for all students](#), it seems like it would be a no-brainer for legislators in Sacramento to champion our great public schools.

Yet, the California State Legislature, with support from the California Teachers Association (CTA), continues to pursue an aggressive agenda that puts politics before kids. Despite our best efforts to date, our fight to protect students is just getting started. The package of anti-charter school bills is moving forward and will be advancing from the appropriations committees to their respective chambers' floors. Here's what we know:

- **AB 1505 (O'Donnell): Moved to the Assembly Floor.** This bill creates uncertainty for students, teachers, and families choosing charter public schools by eliminating the right to appeal politically-driven decisions to the county or state and reducing the charter term to as few as two years.
- **AB 1506 (McCarty): Moved to the Assembly Floor.** AB 1506 was amended to lift the outright ban on charter schools but would impose a cap in school districts with 10 percent or more of charter school student enrollment. This bill will also limit charter management organizations from serving more students and limit access to students who are seeking more options.
- **SB 756 (Durazo): Moved to the Senate Floor.** This bill imposes a two-year ban on new charter public school choices for students and families.
- **AB 1507 (Smith): On Monday, the Assembly voted to send this bill to the Senate for further consideration.** We are opposed to AB 1507 which jeopardizes student access to innovative public school options by further restricting where teaching and learning can happen. AB 1507 awaits further action in the Senate Education Committee after June 1.

A floor vote on AB 1505, 1506 and SB 756 is imminent and could coincide with a rally organized by opponents of public school choices at the State Capitol on May 22. We must stop these bills that will rip public school opportunities away from students who need them most! Please consider taking the following actions:

1. [Call your Senator now](#) and tell them you do not support SB 756.
2. [Call your Assemblymember now](#) and tell them you do not support AB 1505 and 1506.
3. Share our [parent guide](#), also available on [standforallstudents.org](#), so that you may educate your school networks on these bills. Please consider compliance laws for your schools when distributing with parents.
4. Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) for the latest shareable content you can post on your personal feeds.
5. Stay up to date on our [CharterNation blog](#) and share articles from it like this [latest entry](#).
6. Schedule meetings with your legislators and bring students and teachers to share their personal stories. We are happy to [help coordinate those meetings with you](#).

We will continue pursuing every opportunity to work with Governor Newsom and

California's legislators, clarifying and strengthening existing practices that make California's public schools stronger across the board. We applaud Governor Newsom's commitment in the May Revise to increasing funding for special education, and we share his vision in ensuring that all of California's kids – especially our most vulnerable students – have access to public schools that meet their individual needs.

Thank you for your relentless commitment to all public school students. They are depending on us and we cannot win this fight without you.

Adelante!

**Myrna Castrejón**  
President and CEO, CCSA