



MPA DECEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

- **Winter Break:** 12/21/23 – 1/3/2024
- **5th Grade Yearbook Cover Art Contest:** Due 1/16/24
- **Game Night:** 1/25/24
- **Parent Info Night:** 2/27/24



Canvas & Cocoa was a success!

A very special thank you to Ms. Carly for taking time out of her evening to lead our CKMPA Canvas & Cocoa Family Paint Night! It was a great turnout and lots of fun!

We hope you can join future MPA events!

The Rubenstein family show off their art creations.

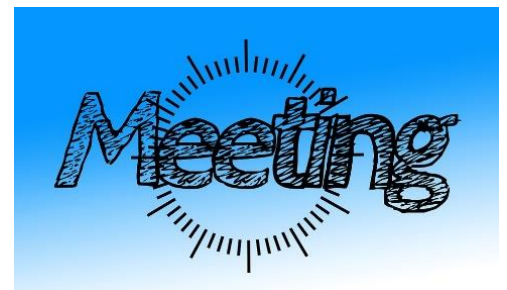
Join us for the MPA January Meeting

Date: **Tuesday, January 16, 2024**

Time: **5:30 pm**

Location: **HEJP Library**

Want to get involved? Families are welcome to attend to learn about the MPA and how we can support our students and teachers. There are still some open positions on the board, too! Join us at the next meeting!



Details will be included in the Facebook group, sent out via emails, and in upcoming newsletters.

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CALLING ALL 5th GRADERS

Do you want to see your artwork on the cover of our 2023-2024 yearbook?

If so, follow these instructions, use lots of creativity, & turn in your masterpiece!

- A plain white sheet of paper (8.5 x 11) portrait only.
- One cover per student, one student per cover.
- Each cover must be school appropriate, include the school's name, and the year 2023-2024.
- Please put your name and teacher's name on the back of your paper.
- All entries must be turned in by Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

Winners will be voted on by the students and staff of HEJP. 1st place will be on the front cover, 2nd place on the back cover.
The 1st place winner will receive a free yearbook!

FAMILY GAME NIGHT!

We are excited to announce that the MPA is bringing back

Family Game Night!

The first one will be **Thursday, January 25, 2024**
in the Hawk Cafeteria



COMING SOON

Montessori Parent Info Night

Date: Tuesday, February 27, 2024

Location: HAWK Cafeteria

Do you know anyone interested in applying to the HEJP Montessori Program?

Please encourage any interested parties to come learn about our program, how to apply, how to get involved, and meet our incredible staff and teachers!

More info to come soon!

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GET INVOLVED

Volunteer readers demonstrate that reading can be fun and enjoyable. By taking time to volunteer, you are showing with your actions how important it is for everyone to learn to read.

Volunteer with Mrs. Ottmar by supporting our 1st grade readers in building confidence in their reading skills!

[Sign Up Here](#)

*****These hours can be applied as your MPA hours!**

**Mrs. Ottmar
1st Grade
Reading
Volunteers**

Mrs. Fitz CKSD Mentor Program

According to **MENTOR**:

The National Mentoring Partnership, children at risk who had a mentor were:

55% more likely to enroll in college

52% less likely to skip school

37% less likely to skip class

78% more likely to volunteer regularly

90% interested in becoming a mentor themselves

130% more likely to hold leadership positions

Youth who had a mentor also showed a better attitude towards school.

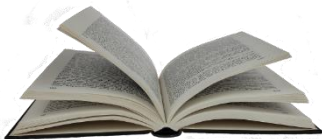
[Click Here for More Information](#)

[CK Schools Adult Mentor Program Application](#)

READING VOLUNTEERS for Kindergarten

Mrs. Boatman needs parents to come read with her students. You do not need to have a child in her class to volunteer. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Volunteer Coordinator, Christina Jara at

MPAVolunteerCoordinator@gmail.com



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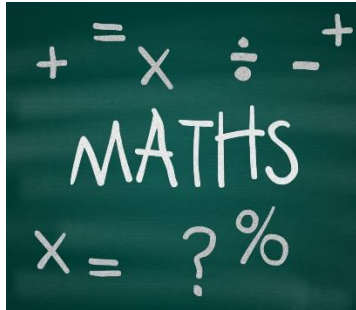
Miss Hayes is seeking volunteers!

Click the link about or email Miss Hayes at saraha@ckschools.org

MATH GAMES

Play math games with students and practice math skills through fun with students.

Fridays, 12:45 – 1:45



MATH SUPPORT

Weekly volunteers need. Help students with math lessons.

Wednesdays, 12:45 – 1:45

*Do you have experience with
Grant Writing?*

The MPA is seeking grants to help fund projects and field trips for our students. If this is your area of expertise, we need you! Please contact the **Vanessa Henne, MPA President**, for more details at President.CKMPA@gmail.com

ALL CALL!

Currently, the most *needed* volunteers on campus are:

- **BREAKFAST/DROP-OFF**
- **RECESS**
- **LUNCH**



If you are looking to get involved, please consider these volunteer opportunities. HEJP students & teachers need YOU!

MORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ARE COMING!

Your MPA Board is working with our teachers to identify needs inside and outside of the classroom. **Christina Jara, Volunteer Coordinator**, will publish the availability of these opportunities once confirmed. Questions about any opportunities?

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2023-2024 MPA Board

Want to get involved? There are openings on the board.

Email president.ckmpa@gmail.com for details

President: Vanessa Henne
Treasurer: Ashley Armstrong

Vice President: Loredana Elsberry Schwartz
Secretary: Mindy Sylvestre

Volunteer Coordinator: *Christina Jara*
Fundraising Chair: *Kim Rubenstein*
Auction Chair: ***(open)***
Kindergarten Representative: *Deb Mason*
Primary Representative:
Intermediate Representative: ***(open)***

Webmaster: *Seth Schroeder*
Hospitality Chair: ***(open)***
Garden Chair: *Lauren Wheeler*
Humanitarian Chair: *Breezy Mitchell*
PTA Liaison: *Breezy Mitchell*
Events Coordinator: *Jen Dixon*
Newsletter Editor: *Loredana Elsberry Schwartz*

VOLUNTEER & TRACK IT FORWARD!



Login: email address
Password: First name (capitalize)

Parents are asked to volunteer 4 hours per month, or you may purchase volunteer hours for \$10 per hour via the website or check payment. Please email **MPA Volunteer Coordinator Christina Jara** MPAVolunteerCoordinator@gmail.com with any questions.

Submit Volunteer Hours via Track it Forward

Please log in your volunteer hours with the app “Track it Forward.” You can access a link from our website and create an account at www.ckmpa.org/volunteer. You can also download the app to your phone for easy access to log your hours. If you created an account last year, your credentials are still valid.

Purchase Volunteer Hours with PayPal

You may pay for your volunteer hours via our PayPal account. Access our link from our website at www.ckmpa.org/volunteer. If you do pay, we also ask that you log into “Track it Forward” and log your hours as “paid.”



Does your company or employer offer matching gifts?

If so, please consider submitting your contributions for a matching gift to the MPA. Need more info?
Contact MPA Treasurer at treasurer.ckmpa@gmail.com

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