



Director

Hello MMLA Family,

Thank you so much for your partnership with us this week! We had 95% attendance rate on Count Day! Thank you for ensuring your children were in school this week! Remember we have our first Third Thursday Event coming up on October 20th. We would love to see you out at the school for that! Over the next few weeks, our staff is going to be looking at all the diagnostic tools we use to begin focusing on specific areas in which all our students need more support. We use these diagnostic tools as a baseline for the year of our students' performance. In the Spring, we will use the same diagnostic tools to measure the growth of all of our students throughout the year. We utilize these assessments to measure our effectiveness as a school! Thank again for partnering with us in the education of your children!

Create a great day!

Mr. Tim Tenneriello
School Director

Family Night – Oct 20

October 20th is our first Third Thursday Parent/Family Night at Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy. We're looking forward to some fun activities and refreshments in the MMLA Gym from 4:00-6:00pm. Activities will include making decorations for the harvest dance, and a special movie. Can't wait to see you on campus!



Harvest Party & Fundraiser

The Parent Connection Group is putting together a fundraiser for the school by holding a dance in the MMLA Gym on Friday, October 28 from 6:00 - 8:30 pm. Admission is \$5/student. We're still looking for parent volunteers, if you're interested in volunteering please contact Ms. Taylor at ttrisha1971@aol.com



Academics

Everyone looked fabulous for picture day! Things went smoothly and everyone put on their best smile!

Students will be taking short screeners over the next several days to help their teachers focus in on specific

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Of Student Success

C is for CHOICES.

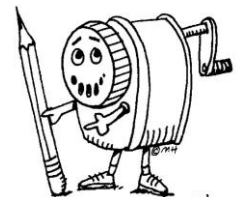
According to Jim Fay, author of *Becoming a Love and Logic Parent*, giving children choices is more effective than making demands. He suggests...

- Never give choices if it might cause problems for you or anyone else.
- Give only two options for each choice, both equally okay with you. For example, *Would you like peas or carrots?* or *Do you want to do homework now or in 15 minutes?*
- If the child doesn't decide within 10 seconds, make the choice for him or her.

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needs. These are called FastBridge assessments and are one to two minutes in length. These assessments ask students to identify letters and sounds, read words, read passages and answer comprehension questions, and complete some basic math questions.

Teachers have begun their tutoring sessions. If the teacher would like your child to stay for tutoring, your child will bring



Sharpen Your Skills

home a yellow permission sheet. If one comes home, please be sure to complete and have your child return to their teacher.

Friday, October 21st is a professional development day for teachers, which means no school for students. Please make sure your calendars are marked appropriately!

Mrs. Barb Rooker
Academic Quality Controller

Uniform Drive – Dress Down Day

Have your students out grwon some of their uniforms? On Friday, October 14 please bring gently used, clean, uniform pieces for donation. Students who bring these with them to school can also be out of uniform on that day. Thank you for your donation to our clothing closet!



Food Distribution

Produce Distribution: 1st & 3rd Thursdays, noon–2pm
Bread Distribution: 2nd & 4th Thursdays, noon–2pm
Held at the Northwest Initiative located inside the Presbyterian Church on the corner of Pine & Ottawa St. Call 517-999-2894 for more information or visit www.nwlansing.org



Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy

Students of the Month – September

- KA – Jahzari J. 4A – Gypsy S.
- KB – Marcus J-G 4B – Payne O.
- 1A – J'Anne A-T 5A – MaeBella W.
- 1B – Christian S. 6A – Shaniah E.
- 2A – Mikaila A. 7A – Bayani T.
- 2B – Ny'Laiya T. 8A – Car'tier S.
- 3A – Isiah A.
- 3B – Tonya C.

Congratulations!



Student Life Organization®

The Student Life Organization® is joining schools and organizations across the country to observe National Bullying Prevention Month. The goal is to: encourage communities to work together to stop bullying and cyberbullying by increasing awareness of the prevalence and impact of bullying on all children of all ages. Students in grades 5-8 are committed to creating a culture of inclusion and togetherness here at MMLA.

The Student Life Organization® would like to recognize Anthony (7A) for drawing the winning Lion. Anthony's drawing will be put on a T-shirt and will be posted in the Student Life Office®. Congratulations Anthony! Thank you to all the students that participated in the MMLA 16/17 Lion Drawing Contest.

For question or for more information on the Student Life Organization® please contact Mr. Caldwell via email, ecaldwell@sabis.net or by phone (517) 485-5379 ext. 2201.

Elvin Caldwell Jr.
Student Life® Coordinator

Costume Parade – Oct 31

Monday, Oct. 31 students are invited to participate in a Costume Parade during the last period of the day! Student's must **BRING their costume** to change into. No gore or weapons. The parade will start at 2:45pm on the MMLA Track. Parents are welcome to watch the parade and take photos. Student's will be dismissed as usual at 3:30pm.



Upcoming Events & Important Dates

Monthly Board of Trustees Meetings - Meetings are held at 6:00 PM in room 2015 of the Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy on the 2nd Monday of each month. (unless otherwise posted on the MMLA website or Facebook page) You're welcome to attend.

- Oct 13 2nd Thursday Parent Connection Meeting 4:00-5:00pm in the MMLA Computer Lab
- Oct 14 Uniform Drive Dress Down Day
- Oct. 20 3rd Thursday Parent/Family Night
- Oct 21 Prof. Development Day – **No Students**
- Oct 28 Harvest Party 6-8:30pm in the MMLA Gym
- Oct 31 Costume Parade at 2:45pm, outside on the MMLA Track. **Parents Welcome!**
- Nov 10-11 Parent/Teacher Conferences in the MMLA Gym. Sign up starting Nov. 1 in the office.
- Nov 11 Half Day – **dismissal at NOON**
- Nov 23-27 Thanksgiving Break – **No Students**

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