



A Message from the School Director

Hello MMLA Family!

It has been a busy two weeks with testing and several events taking place on campus. We are extremely grateful to the volunteers from Peckham and AmeriCorps that come to the school last Friday, and the work they were able to do to help beautify the campus. Make sure you check out the upcoming events and important dates section as we have some great stuff planned for the month of May!

Tim Tenneriello
School Director

Student Life Organization®

Greetings most Wonderful and Blessed people who care about our MMLA students!

What an Amazing week we have had getting back to school! We have had much success getting students started with State testing and we are pumped to have our students show just how much they have learned here at MMLA! Please be aware of when your student has tests and please have your students getting to bed early!



SLO is moving along with new clubs and back to helping students with Peer to Peer tutoring. We are excited to push to the end

of this year with many things between now and the end of the year! Can't wait so see what our students will do!



Keep your ears out for our upcoming Talent show and pics of our new Murals in the Gym!!

Have a Fantastic day and a wonderful Spring!!

Brooks Yates
Student Life® Coordinator

Academics

Our first two weeks of M-Step and MAP testing went very well! The students that tested put in great effort, stayed focused, and really strived to do the best job they could. We are very proud of how testing has started out. Continue to pay attention to the testing dates so you can help have your child ready on their testing days. Remember, having students on time, present all day, having gotten a good night's rest and eaten a healthy breakfast all lead to a great testing environment for them!

REMINDER!

FREE Breakfast
7:15 - 7:40 AM
in the MMLA Gym

Today, your student received an updated progress sheet. Please look this over with them, celebrate successes and discuss what can be done to help them do better in areas that need improvement. It's not too early to start helping your student prepare for finals—they will be here before we know it! Remember, finals count for 40-50% of the final grade, so it is critical that student's prepare for those exams.

Finally, next week we celebrate our amazing teachers and all the hard work they do to help our students be successful during National Teacher Appreciation Week. We have fantastic, dedicated teachers that go above and beyond to put our kids first and help them excel in ways they never thought possible. Help us celebrate by thanking them for all they do!

Barb Rooker
Academic Quality Controller

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Of Student Success

P is for PARENT INVOLVEMENT.

Research shows that students with parents who are involved in their education have higher achievement. You can get involved in your child's education by...

- reading with your child each night. Regular reading improves many skills. It reinforces that reading is a valuable and pleasurable activity.
- volunteering at school. Call your child's teacher for ideas about how you can help at school or from home.
- attending school activities. Be your child's number one fan!

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MAP TESTING SCHEDULE

- 1st Grade — May 1 and 5
- 3rd Grade — May 17-18
- 5th Grade — May 8 and 12
- 6th Grade — May 17-18
- 8th Grade — May 8 and 12

M-Step TESTING SCHEDULE

- 3rd Grade — May 2-4
- 4th Grade — May 9-11, 16
- 6th Grade — May 2-4
- 7th Grade — May 9-11, 16



Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy

Uniform Reminder

With the warmer weather coming in we would like to remind everyone students must continue to follow the uniform code. Just a couple notable requirements:

- **Shorts/Skirts:** Navy blue or khaki skirts/skorts/jumpers/shorts (no more than 3 inches above the knee)
- **Shirt/Blouse:** Buttoned white, navy, or light blue shirt/blouse or polo shirt (All shirts/blouses must have collars and be tucked in at all times.)

A full detailed copy of the uniform requirements was sent home today, you can also find it at mmla.sabis.net and in the Student-Parent Handbook.

Community Connection

We are so thankful to everyone that participated in the 1st Annual MMLA Early Education Expo. We must



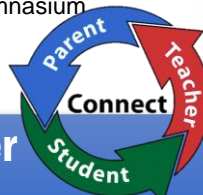
thank our vendors for all of their support and commitment to MMLA. Special thanks to Lansing Community College, Impression 5, Clinton of All Trades, Ingham Great Start Readiness Youth Programs, Comcast, BWL, Pine Street Head Start and all of the other organizations that participated. We would also like to thank the MMLA Lions Pre School for their support and sponsorship of the event. We look forward to seeing you next year at the MMLA Early Education Expo.

Global Youth Service Day was last Friday April 21; and more than 50 MMLA students participated in the ground beautification project alongside Peckham Services, AmeriCorps, and the Greater Lansing Housing Coalition. Together, we planted flowers around the trees on campus. The project was a great success and we thank all of our community partners for their hard work.



Next month we celebrate the birthday of Michigan School for the Blind Alumna Stevie Wonder. We look forward to collaborating with the Blind Children's Fund for another night of history, fun, and celebration. The event is scheduled for 4pm Thursday, May 18th, in the MMLA Gymnasium

Elvin Caldwell Jr.
School Community Liaison



Parent Connection Corner

GET CONNECTED! 2nd Thursdays at 3:45pm in the MMLA Computer Lab (Next Meeting: May 11)

Upcoming Events & Important Dates

Monthly Board of Trustees Meetings - Meetings are held at 6:00 PM in room 2006 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.

- May 3 & 4 Hearing Screening (KG, 1st, 3rd)
- May 8 Potter Park Zoo Field Trip (3rd & 6th)
- May 10 Greenfield Village Field Trip (5th)
- May 11 Kindergarten Round Up/Registration 4-5pm
- May 16 School Dentist – forms will be sent home soon
- May 18 Parent-Teacher Conferences (invitation only)
- May 19 "D⁵" Dress Down Day Donation Drive
- May 26 Abrams Planetarium at MSU Field Trip (7th & 8th)
- May 29 Memorial Day – **SCHOOL CLOSED**
- May 31 \$1 Dress Down Day – EOY Celebrations
- June 2 Talent Show (sign up forms are in the hallway)
- June 5 Vision Screening (KG, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th)
- June 8 Kindergarten Round Up/Registration 4-5pm

View our Annual School Calendar at mmla.sabis.net



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Questions?
517-827-1276
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517-827-1275

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AS WE CELEBRATE

STEVIE WONDER'S BIRTHDAY!

Thursday, May 18, 2017 | 4:00-6:00 p.m.

MMLA School Gym, 730 W. Maple Street, Lansing, MI 48906

*Come meet our students, parents,
and staff and learn more about our school!*

MMLA PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- K-8 tuition-free, college-prep, public school academy
- Strong math and English focus
- English Language Learner (ELL) courses offered
- Positive, diverse learning environment
- Transportation available
- Before school breakfast and after school care & snack available

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