



A Message from the School Director

Greetings MMLA Family,

We are getting to the home stretch! Over the next few weeks attendance will be so important as our students begin reviewing for end of year final exams. These exams are worth a significant portion of the overall grades of each student! Please make every effort to have your children at school on time to take advantage of the opportunity to review. I have one more request for you. In an effort to improve system practices, Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy is conducting a Parent Survey. We value your opinion and ask that you take the time to complete this survey. In order to complete the survey, please go to:

<http://www.advanc-ed.org/survey/public/8869723>

Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. This link will also be listed on the school website – mmla.sabis.net

I hope each of you enjoy your long weekend! We look forward to your return on Tuesday!

Tim Tenneriello
School Director

Student Life Organization®

Hello Amazing Encouragers of our MMLA Students!!

We are making the big push to finish the year STRONG! Lots of things to going on here at MMLA. We are trying to squeeze each one in before the end of the year!

We are finishing strong, but also looking forward to next year. As we look ahead we are looking at our leadership team to begin next year soon! We will be looking for interested students for different leadership positions all around the school. These positions will begin as school lets out and will be relied upon next fall when we have our amazing teachers return to get ready for the 17/18 School year. Pay close attention and listen to what opportunities your students can become involved in soon!

I am excited to see our students step into these leadership roles and take MMLA to the next level!

Have an amazing day and remember amazing is out there - go find it!!

Brooks Yates
Student Life® Coordinator

Academics

We have successfully completed all M-STEP and MAP exams! The students worked hard and great effort was seen. We are very proud of them!

Now it is time to focus the end of the year. Students are wrapping up the last of their basic exams, focusing on some retakes of exams they did not do as well on, and starting to prepare for finals. Next week, students will be bringing home their revision packets. These packets are a comprehensive list of all topics that could appear on the finals. Teachers use these same lists to prepare

packets, games, and other review activities to help prepare students for the big exams. Please use these revision packets in a similar manner at home— have students share everything they know about a topic, ask them questions pertaining to a skill, create math problems for them to practice, put up the spelling words and/or math facts all around the house and have them practice it every time they come to it, etc. Also, talk to and remind students how important these

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R is for RESPECT.

If children are to show respect for others, they need to understand what it is to be respected. Author Michelle Borba emphasizes these parent practices that nurture respect:

- Treat your child as the most important person in the world.
- Encourage children to have high -- but achievable -- expectations of themselves.
- Give love with no strings attached.
- Listen attentively and respectfully.
- Enjoy being together.
- Tell kids often *why* you love them.

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exams are. Finals count for 40-50% of their overall grade. This can heavily impact whether or not we are looking at summer school and/or retention.

Finally, we all know how hard the end of the school year can get, especially as the weather starts to feel more and more like summer. Please continuously remind students that we are not finished! We have four more weeks of work and huge exams to complete and that it is critical that they bring their A-game each and every day!

Barb Rooker
Academic Quality Controller





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:

- **Shoes:** Closed-toe shoes or sneakers **that do not distract from learning.** Boots may be worn in inclement weather (no sandals; shoe must cover the whole foot)
- **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 a few weeks ago, you can also find it at mmla.sabis.net and in the Student-Parent Handbook.

A Visit to Greenfield Village

On May 10th, the 5th graders at MMLA took a field trip to Greenfield Village. The class was divided into 2 groups and each group was given a private tour by a Village docent. The students had an amazing time and got to see many things related to their study of U. S. History. Seth Miller and Taniya Alexander both commented on how awesome it was to see the glass blowing.



Maebella Wier said, "Greenfield Village was like stepping back in time with Model-T's and carriages everywhere." Brendon Halsey reported, "Greenfield Village was really cool because everything was realistic. Most of the things there were things we learned about in our class! They also had really good food!" Our day at Greenfield Village was amazing! Thanks so much to The Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village for such a great day!



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 29 Memorial Day – **SCHOOL CLOSED**
- May 31 \$1 Dress Down Day – EOY Celebrations
- June 1 Impression 5 Field Trip (3rd, 4th & 5th)
- June 2 Park Field Trip (MAP Scores, invitation only)
- June 2 \$1 Dress Down Day – Field Trips
- June 5 Vision Screening (KG, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th)
- June 8 Kindergarten Round Up/Registration 4-5pm
- June 9 District5 Field Trip (MAP Scores, invitation only)
- June 12 Campus Tour Field Trip at MSU – 8th Grade
- June 21 8th Grade Recognition 6-8pm
- June 22 Field Day – **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
- June 22 Last Day of School – **DISMISSAL AT NOON**

View our Annual School Calendar at mmla.sabis.net

Community Connection

The Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy is thankful to everyone that participated in the Second Annual MMLA Stevie Wonder Birthday Ice Cream Social. Special thanks to the Blind Children's Fund, JJ Jackson, and all of the parents.

We would also like to applaud the students that graduated from the MMLA session of Gang Resistance Education and Training G.R.E.A.T. this past week. Special thanks to Ms. Luce, Officer Katie Deihl, LT. Rod Anderson and our police Chief Mike Yankowski for stopping by MMLA this week to confer certificate to our program graduates. Thank you Lansing Police Department!



The MMLA Summer Jam – Round Ball Classic 5 is scheduled for July 27th. We are still seeking vendors and volunteers please contact Mr. Caldwell for more information.

Elvin Caldwell Jr.
School Community Liaison

Parent Connection Corner

GET CONNECTED! Thursday, June 8
at 3:45pm in the MMLA Computer Lab

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

MMLA's Annual Field Day is on June 22 and we need volunteers. To sign up please contact LaTisha Taylor at ttrisha1971@aol.com

