



## A Message from the School Director

Greetings MMLA Family!

It is hard to believe that the end of the school year has arrived! 10 months have passed very quickly!

The year's end always brings with it a tremendous sense of accomplishment. So many things have been accomplished this year! Our students have been involved in an extraordinary number of activities. Of course, we should not forget the tremendous amount of learning which has taken place during the year. Throughout all of these activities our students have demonstrated great character!

To our 8th Grade Graduates – congratulations on your achievement. The MMLA staff wish you all the best as you move to your new high school. If this is your last child to leave MMLA, the staff would like to thank you for your support and for the guidance that you have provided for your child(ren). We look forward to hearing from the graduates in the future and we hope that each of them will have gained a firm foundation for their education while at MMLA. We know that many of you will visit staff members at the school in the next few years.

Over the next two weeks, please come to school prepared to do your best on our End-of-Year Exams!

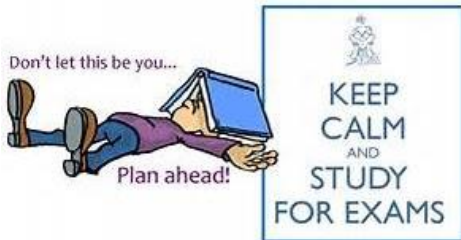
On behalf of the staff, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and happy summer!

Tim Tenneriello  
School Director

## Academics

It is so unbelievable that we have reached the final push of the school year!

Classes continue to be hard at work preparing for finals. I know I have stated it several times, but please do everything you can at home as well to help ensure that students are ready for their finals as they account for 40-50% of their final grade. Finals will be held on June 15, 16, 19 and 20. They will be concluded each day by 1 PM. If you would like to pick up your student after that, you are welcome to do so. However, if a student misses any exams, we will be asking that they remain to take those so grades can be complete. All students must take all exams.



Let me thank you in advance for helping us finish off the year strong!

Barb Rooker  
Academic Quality Controller

## Save the Date!

2017-2018 School Year Calendar will be available soon on the MMLA website this summer at [www.mmla.sabis.net](http://www.mmla.sabis.net) and click on "News and Information." Until then here are some key dates:

- **Thursday, Aug. 31: Meet Your Teacher Night 4-6pm**
- **Tuesday, Sept. 5: First Day of School**

## Student Life Organization®

Greetings most wonderful and HAPPY people involved with our MMLA Students!!!

Summer is almost here!!!! We have had such a wonderful year and look back on all of the wonderful things that have happened with our Amazing students! Wow!!! It has been quite a ride and we are already looking forward to next year!!!!

We are finishing up the year with clubs and trying to help teachers with students in many ways. As we look forward we are looking ahead at what we can do to improve SLO next year and make it into a more efficient and useful part of MMLA. We are currently looking at next year's Leadership team and hope to interview those students within the next two weeks to get a summer team assembled to be here ready for when teachers arrive for the 2017/18 school year. Looking to get students more involved all around the school! In classrooms, hallways, cafeteria and anywhere we can use some of the great leaders we have here at MMLA! Excited and looking forward to all the wonderful opportunities we have here and the great students we get to work with.

Please have a big talk with your students reminding them of how important the end of the year finals are and how they must Push to the Finish!!! Those tests are so very important! So Study! Go to Bed Early and let's finish STRONG!!

Brooks Yates  
Student Life® Coordinator

## Parent Connection Corner



# 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](mailto:ttrisha1971@aol.com)





# Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy

## Students of the Month - May

- KA. Remi Slay
- KB. William Brooks Jr.
- 1A. Amber Washington
- 1B. Lexus Whaley
- 2A. Henry Haynes III
- 2B. Oshea Mitchell & Taven Buck
- 3A. Kamariona Cooks
- 3B. Aly Alex
- 4A. Jayden Dulaney
- 4B. Ashinay Peralez
- 5A. Clarence Lake
- 6A. TaeShawn Buck
- 7A. Jonathan Wiltse
- 8A. Brendon Ruhf



## A Visit to Impression 5

On June 1 the students in grades 3, 4, and 5 took a field trip to Impression 5 Science Museum in downtown Lansing. The purpose of the trip was to experience some of the science concepts that we have been learning all along.



Tonya Chappell (3B) thought making slime with so little ingredients was interesting. Jayden Dulaney (4A) and Tarrence Anderson (3B) said, "I like where you

touch the ball that is charged with static electricity and lightning goes around your hand and makes it feel warm." Saddiel Gonzales (4B) was most impressed by the light spectrum exhibit where colored lights can be studied and manipulated on the wall. Maebella Weir (5A) thought that the soap bubble exhibit where you get to put your hand through it and learn about surface tension was most interesting. Ot Searcy (5A) enjoyed the compressed air exhibit where you pump up the shooter and shoot tennis balls at targets. Mr Elvin Caldwell was one of our eleven chaperones. Mr. Caldwell noted, "I had a blast exploring all of the new science stations at Impression 5. Places like this make lasting impressions on young people." Unity Espinosa (3A) learned how to make your own harmonies with sticks and rubber bands and learned how music is made. Xavier Bailey (3A) liked learning how to construct buildings with blocks.



## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month. (unless otherwise posted on the MMLA website or Facebook page) You're welcome to attend.

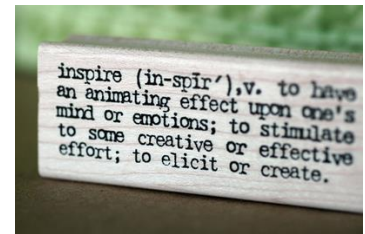
- June 12 Campus Tour Field Trip at MSU – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- June 13 Local History Walking Field Trip – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade
- June 15 Awards Night at Boys & Girls Club at MMLA from 4:30-5:30pm dinner provided
- June 16 Last day for Boys & Girls Club and Aftercare at MMLA for the 16-17 School Year
- June 21 End of Year Awards Assembly  
Kinder – 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 1:30pm – **PARENTS WELCOME**  
4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> @ 2:30pm – **PARENTS WELCOME**
- June 21 Kindergarten Celebration 2:30pm
- June 21 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition 6-8pm
- June 22 Field Day – **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
- June 22 Last Day of School – **DISMISSAL AT NOON**
- July 27 MMLA Summer Jam 4:00-8:00pm

View our Annual School Calendar at [mmla.sabis.net](http://mmla.sabis.net)

## Community Connection

It has given me great pleasure and honor serving you, your family, and our community as School Community Liaison this year. I look forward to working with you this summer and next year with even more school and community connections!

Together we have made an impact. Together we have changed the way students speak, think, and act. I encourage all students to read and give back this summer. Parents thank you for your trust and hard work. Thank you for this great community for all your support through donations, service and most of all being open to working with our school community.



I am endeavoring to become the next City Council person for Lansing's 4th Ward city councilman and the election is August 8th. I encourage parents and community members to add our social media profiles

- facebook:** [elvinleonidascaldwell](https://www.facebook.com/elvinleonidascaldwell)
- twitter:** [@elvincaldwelljr](https://twitter.com/elvincaldwelljr)
- visit:** [www.caldwellforlansing.com](http://www.caldwellforlansing.com)

For more information on the Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy and community outreach please contact Elvin Caldwell (517) 827-1276.

Elvin Caldwell Jr.  
School Community Liaison