



A Message from the School Director

Hello MMLA Family!

It seems that as the holidays approach everyone seems to get more excited and active while waiting for the festivities of the season to begin. This is truly awesome and the positive energy at MMLA is very evident. However, we also need to remember that we have a lot of work to do with end of term exams next week.

Remember: **READING** twenty minutes before bed gets a child ahead!

Read and **STUDY, STUDY, STUDY** for the finals next week!

We hope you all have a great week ahead, and enjoy your holiday break!

Tim Tenneriello
School Director

Student Life Organization®

Holiday Greetings to all of our Supporters of MMLA Students!

We are having a fun time in Student Life! We just came back from a Fantastic Dance with our sister school IAF in Flint! What fun!! We took a bus over, and showed off our moves!! OK, I'll be honest, the kids showed off their moves, they asked me to please, "NO! Mr. Y! , Don't embarrass us!! YOU CANT DANCE! We are with other kids!!" We did have fun and made some new friends. We are hoping that this will be the first in a continued events with our sister schools. We are thinking about hosting a Spring Formal and inviting both schools from Saginaw, and Flint to join us!!! And since we are at home I'm sure I'll be allowed to dance this time!!!!

We are prepping for finals and will be getting sign-ups for new clubs starting after Winter Break. The amazing teachers here at MMLA are coming up with some awesome ideas and I can't wait to get going with them!

We will soon be holding another Math Challenge with a sister school SIS down in Phoenix. We are excited and are putting our Math talents to the test!

We hope everyone is geared up for finals and remembers just how important these times are for students here at MMLA! We are nearing a break but the work must come first!!! Let's go!!!

Enjoy the Snow! *Amazing is out there! Go find it!!!*

Brooks Yates
Student Life® Coordinator

Guess Who?!

Students are excited about our most recent school wide activity! 25 staff members have submitted childhood photos of themselves and students are working to match them. All forms are due by Dec. 22 and anyone who gets them all correct will be rewarded with a surprise! Do you think you can get them all correct?




Academics

Students put in a lot of hard work on their first final exams today. Finals continue through Wednesday, so please do all you can to help ensure they feel prepared on your end. Things you can do to help include giving them a quiet study time and place, ensuring they get a good night's sleep, and feeding them a healthy breakfast or getting them to school on time to eat here. Likewise, it is critical that students are to school on time each day. We start with exams right away and it is hard for students to catch up after. Thursday and Friday will be days of catching up and a little bit of fun before we head out.

Thank you for all your support through first term. I know that together we can make Term 2 even better! Enjoy the time off with family and friends and we will see you in 2018!

Barb Rooker
Academic Quality Controller



Starting a Conversation

- ▶ Talk about what the Golden Rule ("Do unto others as you would have them do unto you") means.
- ▶ One day in the week ahead, talk about what this quote means: "Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime."
- ▶ Remind your child that "A good sport is always a winner." Talk about what that statement means.

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Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy

Community Connection – Food Distribution

The City of Lansing HR and Community Services Department will be distributing free, fresh, non-perishable food items this Saturday, December 16 beginning at 9am. The event will take place at The Bread House Church located at 1518 S. Washington Ave.

The Advent House will have a free Holiday Program and Brunch open to the public on December 25, 2017. The event is from 8am – 12pm at the Advent House Ministries located at 743 North Martin Luther King Blvd.

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 <http://nwlansing.org/>

We hope everyone has a safe and wonderful holiday. For information enrollment at the Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy please contact Mr. Elvin Caldwell Jr. at ecaldwell@sabis.net or 517-827-1276.

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.

* **School Closings and Delays** * will be posted on the MMLA [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/mmla.sabis) Page www.facebook.com/mmla.sabis

- Dec 14-22 End of Term Exams
- Dec 15 NO AFTERCARE
- Dec 22 Mind, Body & Soul Day and Class Parties
- Dec 22 \$1 Dress Down Day – Student Celebrations
- Dec 22 NO AFTERCARE, NO BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
- Dec 25 Winter Break Begins NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
- Jan 8 Classes Resume
- Jan 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day NO SCHOOL
- Jan 23 Wharton Center Field Trip for 6th, 7th & 8th grades to see *Paige In Full*
- Jan 24 Anit-Bullying Assembly & Workshop

View our Annual School Calendar at mmla.sabis.net

MMLA Attendance Line

To notify the school of any student attendance changes please call

517-485-5806



and leave a message with student's name, grade, and reason. *Note: written documentation must be provided to excuse the absence. See page 14 of the Student/Parent Handbook for complete details.*

Boys & Girls Club

MMLA's Boys and Girls Club will be closed on December 22 and during MMLA's Winter Break. However, your membership card still works at the southside location! The Southside Boys & Girls Club, located at 4315 Pleasant Grove Rd. Lansing, MI 48910 will be open on December 27 and 28 from 9am-5pm. Club members must have their membership card to attend or pay 25¢ to get in.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Stop the spread of germs that make you and others sick!

Cover your Cough



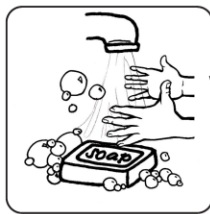
Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze

or cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands.

Put your used tissue in the waste basket.

Clean your Hands

after coughing or sneezing.



Wash hands with soap and warm water

or clean with alcohol-based hand cleaner.

