



Lion NewsBITES

A Message from the School Director

Happy Friday MMLA Families,

I am very excited to see how well all our students do on next week's End of Term Exams. They have been working very hard all term to be successful.

A good night's rest and a full breakfast will help your child to focus on finals. MMLA offers free breakfast daily from 7:30 AM - 8 AM. Please drop your child off at the West Entrance of the main building (from the gym parking lot)

before 8 AM to get their free healthy breakfast!

The last student day before Winter Break is December 21, which is a half day of school. **Dismissal will be at noon on Friday, Dec. 21.** Classes will resume on Monday, January 7, 2019.

Everyone have safe and happy holiday!
- Mr. Tomlinson, Deputy Director

Academic Update

Students put it a lot of hard work on their first final exams today. Finals will continue through Wednesday, so please do all you can to help ensure they feel prepared. 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. It is critical that students are at school present each day. Typically, they do better if they take their exams at the same time as the rest of their classmates. We don't want to have to call anyone in over the break or have students taking exams after the long break. Thursday and Friday are reserved for make-ups 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 2019!

- Mrs. Rooker, AQC

Winter Break

December 24 - January 4 is Winter Break. The last school day before break is Friday, December 21 and dismissal is at noon. Classes Resume on Monday, January 7.

Boys & Girls Club / Winter Break

For students with a current MMLA Boys & Girls Club Membership you're welcome to come to the Pleasant Grove Boys & Girls Club from 9 AM - 5 PM on December 26-28 and January 3-4 at no additional charge. Just remember your current membership card. If you have further questions please contact the Boys & Girls Club Main Office at 517-394-0455.

Student Life Organization®

Happy Holidays!

I hope you are able to spend time with those that you love and make great memories with your family and friends. It is a wonderful time of year and I send my love to each of you.

As we begin the winter break, I look back over term one and am happy with what we have done. I also look to term two and am excited about what is to come. Thank you for helping our students be

successful and putting in hard work daily. I am privileged to be around great people!

The SLO Leadership team is very excited about the plans for the second half of the school year and is ready to hit the ground running in 2019! New clubs will start on Monday, January 7.

Enjoy your break and I will see you next year!

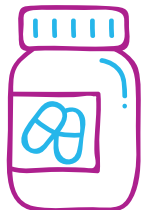
- Mr. Yates, SLC



Reminder



If you plan on sending in any form of medication (over-the-counter, prescription, cough drops, Tylenol, etc), these medications need to be recorded and stored in the office. **A Parent/Guardian must bring in the medication and complete a form in order for the school to distribute the medication.** If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Ms. Lee in the front office.

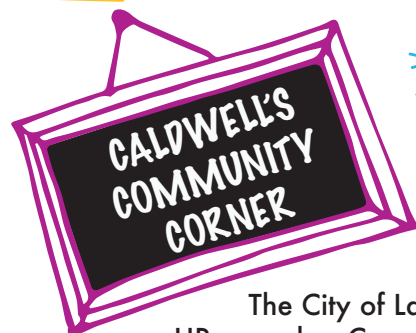


Upcoming Events

- Dec 21: Free Dress Down Day
- Dec 21: No Boys & Girls Club and No Aftercare
- Dec 21: Half Day for students, Dismissal @ Noon
- Dec 24 - Jan 4: Winter Break, No Students
- Jan 7: Classes Resume
- Jan 14: School Board Meeting 6PM
- Jan 15: Taco Tuesday Parent Night - we need your help planning and decorating for the Valentines Dance. Please RSVP so we can order enough tacos for everyone. To RSVP contact Mr. Elvin Caldwell, Jr. at ecaldwell@sabis.net or 517-827-1276.
- Jan 21: School Closed, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Jan 22-26: Spirit Week
- Feb 14: Semi-Formal Valentine's Dance - All Grades! After school, more details to follow.



School Notices including Closings and Delays will be posted on the MMLA Facebook Page. Visit www.facebook.com/MMLA.SABIS



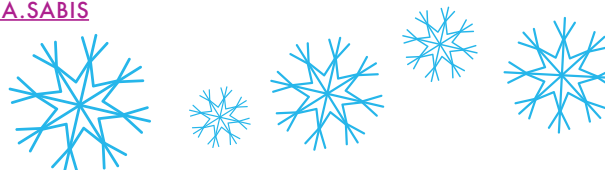
The City of Lansing HR and Community Services Department will be distributing free, fresh, non-perishable food items this Saturday, December 15 beginning at 9 AM. The event will take place at The Bread House Church located at 1518 S. Washington Ave.

The Advent House will have a free Holiday Program and Brunch open to the public on December 25, 2018. The event is from 8 AM - 3 PM at the Advent House Ministries located at 743 North Martin Luther King Blvd.

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- **School Closed:** No staff report
- **No school:** Calendar staff report per working days*
- **Professional Development Day:** No students
- **Half Day:** Dismissal at Noon (12pm)
- * **MMLA Board of Directors Meetings**



Also, we are still looking for some more parents to take an active role in our school parent group called Parent Connection. We meet on the Second Tuesday of most months and offer tacos to everyone attending. We ask for an RSVP in order to purchase enough tacos for everyone. Our next Parent Connection Taco Tuesday is on January 15. We hope you can attend and help plan the decorations for the Valentine's Dance.

We hope everyone has a safe and wonderful holiday.

For more information about the Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy please contact Mr. Elvin Caldwell, Jr. at ecaldwell@sabis.net or 517 - 827 - 1276.

Semi Formal Youth Clothing Drive



Do you have an old formal dress in the back of your closet? How about a neck tie you haven't put on in while? We're looking for donations of semi-formal clothing for students in grades K-8. Our hope is to have items available to any student wanting to attend our first annual Semi-Formal Valentines Dance that doesn't have access to these items at home. Please bring donations into MMLA from now through February 8. For more information about the Semi-Formal Clothing Drive please contact Mr. Elvin Caldwell, Jr. at ecaldwell@sabis.net or 517 - 827 - 1276.



Schedule

- 7:30 AM **School Building Opens.** Please drop students off at the West Entrance of the Main Building from the Gym Parking Lot area.
- 7:30 - 8 AM **Breakfast Available**
- 7:45 AM **Classes Begin**
- 8:01 AM **Students are marked tardy, Main Entrance doors will open for student entry**
- 11:45 AM - 1 PM **Lunch (exact time varies by grade)**
- 2:45 PM **Student Dismissal**
- 5:15 PM **Aftercare Pick-up**
- 6:00 PM **Boys & Girls Club Pick-up**

