



Lion NewsBITES

A Message from the School Principal

Hello MMLA Parents and Guardians,

I would like to thank you for always being supportive and aware of MMLA health and safety policies.

Throughout the month of April, MMLA will be M-Step testing in-person for grades 3rd-8th. 8th graders did great work being dedicated to their work when they took the P-SAT on April 13! Parents please continue to support MMLA's request for academic excellence, by making sure your child(ren) is present for their grade level test day and time.

Our MMLA Team is constantly working hard to provide hybrid learning each school day for all our students. We cherish our parents' feedback on how things are

going with your child.

For in-person learning students, parents please make sure all students are in uniform daily.

"The strongest people are not those who show strength in front of us but those who win battles we know nothing about."
-Oprah Winfrey

From the lenses of your Principal Mr. James

Academic Update

Dear MMLA Families,

We are in the "Testing Mode" with PSAT and M-Step being a main focus of April. Thank you to all of our 8th graders who did a great job focusing in on their PSAT last Tuesday. All students in grades 3-8 are taking their M-Step exams this month. We are asking all students to come in person for this test.



Please check this newsletter for the dates your child will be testing. It is very important that they are here on their testing day.

May will launch Spring NWEA/Map Testing for all grades. There are lots of great prizes and rewards for our students who show growth on these exams. Just ask your child what they're most excited about.

Mrs. Brown, Assistant Principal

Upcoming Testing Dates

Make-up Testing, **8th Grade M-Step:**
Monday, April 19

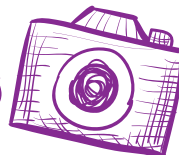
Day 1, **5th Grade M-Step:**
Tuesday, April 20

4th Grade M-Step:
Wednesday, April 21

Day 2, **5th Grade M-Step:**
Thursday, April 22

All testing will be in-person.
Students need to arrive by 8:30 AM on their State Testing Day.

Class Picture Day



Class Picture Day is Friday, April 23. We will be taking class photos outside with the entire class and homeroom teacher for the yearbook. This is a free non-uniform day for all students. Please come dressed to impress!



Attendance Reminder

If your child will be absent from school please be sure to notify us. For your convenience we have a 24 hr Attendance Line. Please call

517-485-5806 and leave a message with student's name, grade, and reason.

Please note that written documentation must be provided to excuse the absence.

Bread Distribution

On the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM the Northwest Initiative & Panera Bread will be distributing bread and baked goods located at:

First Presbyterian Church
510 W. Ottawa St., lower level,
Lansing, MI 48933

For more information contact 517 - 999 - 2894.



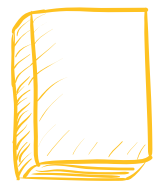
Yearbooks On Sale!



Yearbooks are now on sale for \$15 each. You may order online or in-person; in-person sales will be cash only. Order forms were sent home this week with our in-person students. You may also pick up a form at the main office. If you would like to order online go to

<http://mmlayearbook.picaboo.com>

All Yearbooks are pre-order. There will not be extras available to purchase after they arrive. If you would like a yearbook you will need to purchase your pre-order before April 30. Yearbooks will be distributed on the last school day of the year, Friday, June 11.



Upcoming Events

- April 19: 8th Grade M-Step* (make-up testing)
- April 20: 5th Grade M-Step*
- April 21: 4th Grade M-Step*
- April 22: 5th Grade M-Step*
- April 23: Class Picture Day: Free Non-Uniform Day for All Students
- April 26&28: 3rd & 4th Grades M-Step Testing
- April 27&29: 6th & 7th Grades M-Step Testing
- May 10: Board Meeting 6PM
- May 28-31: No School, Memorial Break
- June 1: Classes Resume

* All state testing is in-person. All students must arrive by 8:30 AM.



Mobile Food Pantry

On Saturday, April 17 starting at 9:00 AM the Mobile Food Pantry will be located at:

Lansing Catholic High School
501 Marshall Street
Lansing, MI 48912

Distribution of FREE fresh and non-perishable food items will be given to participants while supplies last. Bring your valid state issued identification to participate.

Lost & Found

Please check the lost and found for any missing items as we're piling up again!



Any items left at the end of the school year will be donated to the schools' uniform closet or the local community.

APRIL 2021

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MAY 2021

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Key:

- Special Days/Events
- Key Testing Windows
- * Board Meetings

Non-Student Days:

- School Closed (No Staff)
 - No School*
 - Professional Development*
- * Staff Report per Working Days Calendar

Get Connected!

Class Tag:

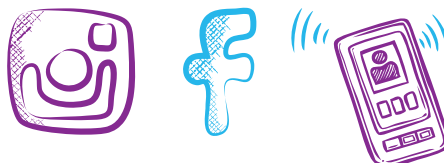
Classtag is our new communication system between parents and teachers this school year! Classtag has replaced Remind, which we have used in years past. To sign up for Classtag, you will need a code from your child's teacher. Teachers can also add parents by their phone numbers or email addresses - so if you get a request to join, please do! Feel free to call the office if you have any questions and they can connect you with your child's teacher.

School Wide Text Messages:

To receive school wide reminders via text you need to opt-in by texting "Y" or "Yes" to 67587. Make sure this phone number is current with the front office as the main parent/guardian contact daytime number associated with your child.

Facebook & Instagram:

Like our page at facebook.com/mmlalions and find us on Instagram @MMLALions



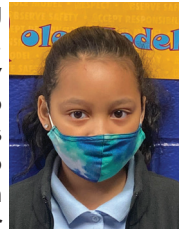
ROAR



Maia Moseley

Our ROAR student spotlight is on Maia Moseley.

Maia is a 5th grader who is getting very close to being in middle school! She always shows respect by following her teachers instructions. She observes safety by keeping her hands to herself and always keeps her mask on. Maia is also always ready for class with the proper materials out for each subject. Her favorite class is math because she thinks it is easy. She loves that MMLA gives away so many awesome prizes. When she is not at MMLA, you can find Maia outside playing or inside drawing a beautiful picture or taking a nap. She loves the color blue and her favorite holidays are Halloween and Christmas.



Thank you Maia for creating a positive and safe environment here at MMLA!

March

Students of the Month

Kindergarten: Antonio Ashford, Jr.

Kindergarten: Jamah'Zanea Hughes

1st Grade A: Sophia Burkett

1st Grade B: Iyanna Scott

2nd Grade A: Elijah Vickers

2nd Grade B: Chloe Mejia-Uria

3rd Grade A: Ashton Williams

3rd Grade B: MartyKristina Poole

4th Grade A: Nevaeh Berkley

4th Grade B: Demonta Williams

5th Grade A: Gabriel Poole

5th Grade B: Jaz'Aniya Allen

6th Grade A: Fabian Cabrera

6th Grade B: Nyla Cooper

7th Grade: Syncere Wilke

8th Grade: Saddiel Gonzalez