



Lion NewsBITES

A Message from the School Principal

Hello MMLA Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for always being supportive and involved with MMLA. We are constantly looking to enhance our school. Parent feedback is vital to the success of the program. At the start of the 2022 school year, we had some parents decide to select for their student/s to start virtual learning. Parents, please understand that **we highly suggest all our students attend school face-to-face**. We understand that our world is going through a pandemic and health and safety are important.

We have sent out a survey to parents asking for feedback. If you have not done so yet please **complete this survey** by going online to <https://forms.gle/Drqa2hKC4Aoect7Q8>

Next **Thursday, Feb. 17 is our Title I Family Night!** We hope to see everyone in attendance. This event is open to all

current MMLA Families. From 3:30-4:30 PM we will have Black History Presentations in the classrooms, starting at 4:30 PM will be our Book Fair and Literacy Activities in the MMLA Club (lower level of the Annex/ Gym Building), Dinner from Boston Market will be served around 5:00 PM followed by a dance with DJ Jereny. Please **come dressed to impress** to this Semi-Formal Dance.

Together we will continue to build our school into an educational gem!

*"It isn't the mountains ahead to climb that wear you out; it's the pebble in your shoe."
-Muhammad Ali*

From the lenses of your Principal Mr. James

Academic Update

Dear MMLA Families,

Thank you for making our NWEA testing time run so smoothly. We appreciate the emphasis you put on having your child(ren) here at school. We are so proud of all the accomplishments they made.

It seems like forever since we've been able to be together to celebrate the hard work that our students are doing. Our time has come - February 17.

We are having our Family Night. We will have Black History presentations by students, the Scholastic Book Fair, Literacy Activities, Semi-Formal Dance and a great dinner. Please join us!

Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to seeing you on Feb. 17.

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Mrs. Brown, Assistant Principal



Mid-Winter Break
No School February 21 - 25
Classes Resume on Monday, February 28
School Office Closed Feb. 21 for Presidents' Day

January Students of the Month

- Kinder Jr:** Lathan Williams-Moore
- Kinder A:** Makai McKinnes
- Kinder B:** Yasmiin Ali
- 1st Grade A:** Arrelle Nason Jr.
- 1st Grade B:** Alivia Wilson
- 2nd Grade A:** Cajmal Jackson
- 2nd Grade B:** Mahki Flowers
- 3rd Grade A:** Tajei' Jackson
- 3rd Grade B:** Sofiya Ali

- 4th Grade A:** Taveon Embry
- 4th Grade B:** Lora Miller
- 5th Grade A:** Brayden Meijer
- 5th Grade B:** Kemonte Morgan-Shannon
- 6th Grade A:** Jeremiah Skipwith
- 6th Grade B:** Jaheem McNamara
- 7th Grade A:** Davonte Lewis
- 7th Grade B:** Natalia Gilmore
- 8th Grade:** Ashley Mendoza-Guerrero

Book Fair

The Book Fair starts on Monday, Feb. 14. We will have viewing days on Monday and Tuesday and then purchasing will be available starting Wednesday. **Thanks to our Title I Grant every student will receive up to \$15 in free books!** Additional books may be purchased with cash. The Book Fair will be open during our Family Night on Thursday, February 17.



Upcoming Events

- Feb 14: Board Meeting 6 PM
- Feb 14-17: Scholastic Book Fair
- Feb 17: Title I Family Literacy Night 3:30 PM - 7:00 PM
- Feb 21: **School Closed, President's Day**
- Feb 21-25: **Mid-Winter Break, No Students**
- Feb 28: Classes Resume
- Mar 10-11: Parent Teacher Conferences
- Mar 11: **Early Release, Dismissal at Noon**
- Mar 14: Board Meeting 6 PM
- Mar 21-23: Mobile Farm Science Lab (K-Jr-5th grades)
- Mar 28- Apr 1: Spring Break

FEBRUARY 2022

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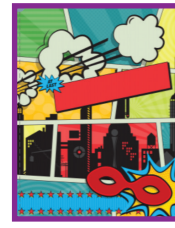
Key:

- 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

Yearbook



After Mid-Winter Break our Student Yearbook Staff will begin working on the Yearbook. If you're interested in joining the yearbook club please ask for an application from Ms. Vue or Miss Rebekah next week. Applications due Feb. 18.

MMLA Yearbooks are \$15 each, to order go to: <https://store.shopyearbook.com/mmlayearbook>

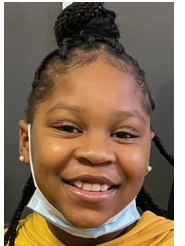
We are only accepting online orders at this time.

ROAR



Tamyra Embry

Our ROAR Student Spotlight is on Tamyra Embry, who is a 2nd grade student in Ms. McKenzie's class. She is a role model by being a leader and listening to her teacher. While at school she enjoys spelling because it is fun and she loves writing words. When she's not at school Tamyra enjoys playing with barbies and also watching Youtube. Her favorite foods are burgers, salad, and watermelon and her favorite holidays are Halloween and Christmas. When she grows up she would like to be a doctor, dentist, veterinarian, or nail technician. Tamyra says that her favorite thing about MMLA is getting to play on the playground and getting to go to music and art class. Her favorite classes are music because she gets to learn how to play instruments, and art class because she gets to paint! Thank you, Tamyra, for being a great role model at MMLA!



Get Texts From MMLA

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.

Be an Attendance HERO!

Attendance HEROes are students who are **H**ere **E**veryday **R**eady & **O**n time. On Feb. 10 we will celebrate our 70 Students from January who were an Attendance HERO!

Our February Students will be celebrated in March. Each month students reset their attendance tracker to earn Attendance HERO status.



Mileage Club

****Sign Up Required by Feb. 28 to Participate****

MMLA is participating in the Sparrow 2022 Feelin' Good Mileage Club! Registration available Feb. 1 - 28, 2022 Parents, don't forget:

- Registration is required.
- Register online at SparrowMilesClub.com ****must register online****
- Must be registered by the Feb. 28 deadline to receive personalized punch cards.