



# W·A·Y MICHIGAN™

## Widening Advancements for Youth

### Words from the Director - James Middleditch

Greetings Parents and Students!!

I hope that you all had a happy and safe Thanksgiving Holiday. We have some important things going on for December. The first thing is the start of our Micro School Pods. We will be assigning students in grades 6-10 to micro school pods from now until the end of January. The goal of these pods is to provide additional support in the core subjects of Math, Science, Social Studies, and English. Grade level changes and Test assignments for Spring testing will be coming up soon. Our Grade level changes, and Test assignments will be done when we return from Winter Break. Our office will be closed for Winter Break from December 19<sup>th</sup> until January 4<sup>th</sup>. During this time our mentors and online teachers will still be available to ensure your student meets their .50 credit requirement for December. In closing I would like to wish you a Happy Holidays and hope that you are able to enjoy time with your family safely over the holiday season. If you have any questions, please reach out to the office at 313-638-2716 or email us at [enroll@wayprogram.net](mailto:enroll@wayprogram.net).



### College & Career Corner

This December we will be focusing on scholarships for seniors. We will also be preparing for sending off the FAFSA at the beginning of the new year. Students will be sent a checklist of items needed to complete the FAFSA. As a reminder, no matter what path your student decides to take, we ask that they complete the FAFSA, so that they will have more options once they graduate. This month we will also be focusing on picking colleges and starting college applications. This is a very exciting and important step for our seniors. Career Cruising will no longer be used for out State required after high school planning. We will now be using Xello. All students need to make sure they complete their Xello requirements. If there are any questions of concerns, please sure to reach out to support staff.

- Jackee' Patterson

## Way Inspiration

***"The beautiful thing about learning, is that no one can take it away from you."***  
**B.B. King**

## WAYS Technology

### PLEASE NOTE\*

Last year, we started putting a letter in the package with the deadline on when your technology is due to be sent back to the office. That deadline is 30 days from which you received the package. The packages are tracked and an email is sent to us when it is received at your residence.

Unfortunately, we as a department have not only WAY Michigan, but all of the schools in Michigan to attend to, where reminder notices cannot be sent out. That is the reason for the letters. Also in the package, we have our COVID policy on how we kept your package safe as one of the letters. We also include everything that should be in the package sent back to the office in a checklist. Lastly, we include the FREE FEDex phone number that you can call to pick up the package from your house. There is no need for anyone to have to go to FEDex, we made it for you to simply just call and they will pick it up. That is why the letters inside the package are very important for you to read and open once you receive them. Please make sure if you have broken technology, that you reach out to your mentor or team leader if you need a new reclaim package sent. We would like them all back before Winter Break.

We hope you have a wonderful holiday season!

- Joy Jurado

