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## Widening Advancements for Youth

### Words from the Director - James Middleditch

Hello Parents and Students!

I hope that you had a great first month of the 2021-22 school year. A big event coming up this month; Fall Count is Wednesday October 6<sup>th</sup>. Below are the count day instructions:

-Log in to Centric.

-The researcher will be required to submit one Step, Check Your Learning, or Final Product in each class on their learning plan (6 classes total, even for those seniors who have finished most of their classes). The projects should be selected with the help of their mentor at least a week in advance.

-Email, chat, text, or phone call your mentor and have an academic, 2–3-minute conversation about a specific project you are working on. This type of conversation must then happen the 3 Wednesdays following Count Day as well.

Our open enrollment has ended. We will be accepting transfer students starting Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. All transfer students must send us proof of count day completion to enroll. If you have any friends or family interested please have them reach out to us at 313-638-2716 or email us at [enroll@wayprogram.net](mailto:enroll@wayprogram.net).

I look forward to working with you and having an amazing year!



## Count Day

It is officially fall and our Fall Count Day is October 6, 2021. Please make sure all of our researchers login to Centric, complete their six steps in each of their six classes on their learning plan, and communicate with their mentor as much as possible. All of these count day steps are important and must be completed that day. If there are any questions, please reach out to your mentor, or team leaders, Joy and Stacy. We will all be glad to help you, especially if there is an issue that you are experiencing.

- Joy Jurado



## WAY Students

The WAY Michigan E-Sports club has registered to participate in the Michigan High School E-Sports Federation. This organization is a Non-Profit that helps bring schools across the state together to participate in E-Sports events. For those of you that do not know E-Sports or electronic sports; the sport is based around competing in video games against other schools. This fall our E-Sports club is participating in Rocket League and Valorant Club Division. Our Rocket League Team will play on Tuesdays at 4pm and our Valorant Team will play on Thursdays at 4pm. There are 9 weeks including a pre-season match, 7 regular season matches, and playoffs. This year we have added an E-Sports Coach to help run practices and help our team improve in communication and team building skills. If you have students interested in participating, please have them reach out to our E-Sports Club Coach, Mr. Trever Hall.



## WAY Parents

Hello, Parents and Guardians!

This week we are starting the NWEA MAP testing for middle schoolers. All middle schoolers are mandated by our charter-authorizer, Central Michigan University, to take the MAP math and reading tests. These tests tell us what skill level each student is at so that we can tailor our instruction to their academic needs. These tests are done online, on their school computer, from the safety of your own home. All middle schoolers should be done testing at the end of this week. We will start high school testing in 2 weeks, with the sign up sheet going out next week. Please be looking out for emails, texts, and calls regarding signing up for these tests. We will be proctoring these tests again during the winter and spring sessions to measure their learning growth. If you have any questions about the test, the process, or any other questions, please contact Kim Iorillo at [kimberly.iorillo@wayprogram.net](mailto:kimberly.iorillo@wayprogram.net) or at (734) 558-4230.

- Kim Iorillo

## College and Career Corner

Hello WAY parents and researchers. This has been a great school year so far and will only continue to get better. Our first stop on the virtual college tour will be Northwestern Michigan College, on Friday, October 15th, at 1030am and 130pm. Northwestern Michigan College has highly rated nursing and marine science degrees. Also coming up next month on November 5th, we will be hosting a College Financial Aid Meeting at 1030am and 230pm. All parents and students are invited to join. Link for registration and more information on Centric home page.

- Jackee' Smith

