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Widening Advancements for Youth

Words from the Director - James Middleditch

Hello Parents and Students!!

I hope that everyone had an outstanding October! Thank you for everyone doing their part so that we could have a successful count and complete the Fall MAP Growth testing. Both are very important to the school, as Count is tied to our funding from the state and MAP helps us identify students that need additional support this school year. Students should be getting into the full swing of things this month.

WAY Michigan is accepting transfer students. If you have friends or family looking for a new school, we are taking applications up until Friday December 2nd. As we are approaching the holidays, I wanted to remind you of our Vacation Policy. If you plan to take your student(s) on vacation, we ask you to email your student's mentor and team leader so we can make a note of it. All students will still be required to complete the .50 credit each month even if they decide to go on vacation. Please lookout for more amazing opportunities for your students coming soon. If you have any questions, please call us at 313-638-2716 or email us at enroll@wayprogram.net.

I look forward to a super school year!



HELLO NOVEMBER

Mentors

Please make sure that your researchers continue to communicate with their mentors. Mentor communication is an important requirement in our program. All researchers should communicate with their mentor at least 3 - 5 times a week. Check in with your researcher to make sure these communications are taking place, if not, please reach out to your researcher's team leader.

- Joy Jurado



WAY Students



Here is a list of museums and their websites throughout the state that you can visit. Most of these museums have free, reduced, or ½ off days for you and your family to enjoy!

Museums for All - <https://museums4all.org/> - Those receiving food assistance (SNAP benefits) can gain free or reduced admission to more than 900 museums throughout the United States simply by presenting their EBT card. Search below by museum name or state to find a participating museum near you!

MSU Broad Art Museum - <https://broadmuseum.msu.edu/visit/free-tickets/>

Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit (MOCAD) - <https://mocadetroit.org/plan-a-visit/>

Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA) - <https://dia.org/visit>

Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History - <https://www.thewright.org/visit>

Longway Planetarium and Sloan Museum of Discovery - <https://sloanlongway.org/longway-planetarium/>

College & Career Corner

Fall is here and it is time for seniors and juniors to start planning their next steps. I will be sending out surveys for all juniors and seniors to set up individual meetings to help them plan for their futures after high school. This month we will have our college tour in person at Michigan State University in Lansing. I have sent out a survey and will send out more information and permission slips soon. Please keep an eye out in your emails for updates.

- Jackee' Smith



WAY Parents

Hello, parents and guardians!

We got through all of our fall MAP testing! Those test results should be mailed out this week (first week in November) detailing what your student's scores mean. Remember that we use these scores to see which students need learning support and where they need that support. Please let us know if you have any questions at all about your student's scores or the family report that is being mailed to you. Our next round of MAP testing is in January. The goal for that round is to show "learning growth." Basically, we want to see scores that are higher than their fall scores. As long as there is improvement, we know your student is learning.

I will be sending out the recording and information from the October parent meeting this week as well. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the content of that meeting. Our November parent meeting will be on November 17th at 7pm.

- Kim Iorillo