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PARENT NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL PLEDGE

Right now, today, this very moment, I am capable of giving myself,

the gift of absolute self-assurance, self-belief, and powerful non-stop confidence in myself.



<u>"To Thro</u>ugh and Beyond College"

MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL DUNGEY



Attendance Matters

- One in 10 kindergarten and first-grade students nationally are chronically absent, missing nearly a month of school. Emerging research shows even higher rates among preschoolers.
- These early absences correlate with reading difficulties and poor attendance patterns in later years. One California study found that only 17 percent of students who were chronically absent in both kindergarten and first grade were reading proficiently in third grade, compared to 64 percent of those with good attendance.
- The effects of poor attendance are particularly pronounced among low-income children, who need more time in the classroom to master reading and are less likely to have access to resources outside of school to help them catch up. Unfortunately, low-income children are four times more likely to be chronically absent.
- Students can begin to reverse their academic difficulties if they improve their attendance.
- Parents are often unaware of the corrosive effects of absenteeism and how quickly absences add up to academic trouble in the early grades. Some face challenges with health, transportation or housing that contribute to absences.

Reading Month and Women's History Month

DAY	ANNOUNCEMENTS
Monday	Read and Respond and C3 distributed
3/20	I
	School Wide Cooperative Challenge –
	Demonstrate a focusing strategy
Tuesday 3/21	
	After School Tutoring Begins 3:45-5:30
Wednesday	
3/22	½ Day 11:30 Dismissal! We still need all students in school
<mark>⅓ Day Staff PD</mark>	
Thursday	After School Tutoring 3:45-5:30
3/23	Pretty Brown Girls Begins 4:00-5:00
	Update Power School Grade book
Friday 3/24	Read and Respond & C3 Homework DUE!
Real Men Read 9:50-12	
	UPCOMING
3/31	Quarter 3 Ends
4/7-4/14	Spring Break
Week of 4/10	MSTEP begins for state of Michigan
Week of 4/17	MSTEP Begins and continues through May 19

MSTEP/PSAT Testing Count Down

Soccer Try Outs 4:00-5:15



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Re-Enrollment – PAST DUE

It's that time! Time to re-enroll for next year! Save your space for next year! Please click the link and complete ASAP.

Re-enrollment link

Attendance for week of 3/6-3/10

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
%	80%	<mark>81%</mark>	81%	<mark>84%</mark>	<mark>77%</mark>	<mark>78%</mark>	<mark>87%</mark>	80%	92%

Average Daily Attendance 82%. — We are down again this week, HOWEVER, OUR CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM RATE IS 45%!!! THIS MEANS OVER HALF OF OUR STUDENTS HAVE MISSED 7 OR MORE DAYS THIS YEAR!! WHAT WILL. WE DO TO TURN THIS AROUND??

Exact Path Data Skills Mastered – Total Exact Path Previous Week/Last Week

Reading								
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2/0	16/0	21/2	2/3	9/18	4/3	13/8	12/10	5/2
Math								
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
6/4	1/9	5/7	3/15	11/7	5/23	14/18	15/15	0/7

Black History & Women's History Fact



Kamala Devi Harris is an American politician and attorney who is the 49th and current vice president of the United States. She is the first female vice president and the highest-ranking female official in U.S. history, as well as the first African American and first Asian American vice president.

How Much Time Do Students Spend on Their Learning Paths?

Time Period: Previous Week

48%

Math 132/191 Students with Usage 21% 27%
Reading

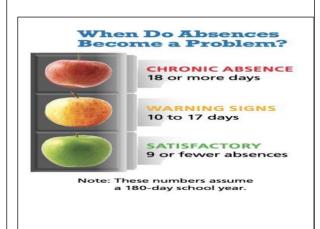
20-39 min per week 40+ min per week

Online Practice for M-STEP ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies

The online Sample Item Sets are a select group of test items in ELA, mathematics, science, and social studies that encompass different item types, such as multiple choice, constructed response, and various kinds of technology enhanced items.

The sets provide students, teachers, and parents practice in solving grade-level and content-specific test items aligned to Michigan's academic content standards.

There are two ways to get to the online Sample Item Sets: 1) Anyone can access the Sample Item Sets using the Chrome browser Sample Set2) Schools that have installed the updated INSIGHT software can access the Sample Item Sets by opening INSIGHT. The directions to access the sample items are the same for both methods: a) M-STEP is on the left side; b) Select "Online Tools Training" c) Select "Sample Item Sets" d) Select the grade e) Select the content area f) Login with the Username and Password provided on the login screen



Read By Grade 3 Law
The Michigan Legislature passed a law
that requires schools to identify learners
who are struggling with reading and
writing and to provide additional help. The
law states that third graders may repeat
third grade if they are more than one
grade level behind beginning with the
2019-2020 school year and not being
proficient on the M-Step.