



WILDFLOWER WORD

The Family Newsletter for Malcolm Shabazz City High School



Greetings from Principal Chantel

We are excited to announce that we are switching to PTCFast for parent-teacher conferences this year.

PTCFast is a user-friendly scheduling platform that will make it easier for you to sign up for conference times with your child's teachers.

On Monday, you will be receiving an email to sign up for either the November 16th or 17th parent-teacher virtual conferences.

We encourage you to sign up for parent-teacher conferences as early as possible to secure your preferred time slots. Conference slots will fill up quickly, so please don't wait until the last minute.

We look forward to meeting with you at parent-teacher conferences to discuss your child's progress and work together to ensure their success.

-Principal Chantel Angeletti



WEDNESDAYS AT SHABAZZ

Wednesdays are important days to attend school at Shabazz!

The day begins with E3 and concludes with students working in their learning labs.

Learning Labs: These are dynamic learning lab days where classes are often utilizing the flexible schedule to work with community partners, get out in the community on field trips, and/or work on hands-on projects.

What is E3? E3 is designed for students to explore, experience, and engage with both themselves and the Shabazz community in meaningful ways.

This includes:

Community events and connections

Exploring course offerings and scheduling

Reflecting on personal growth

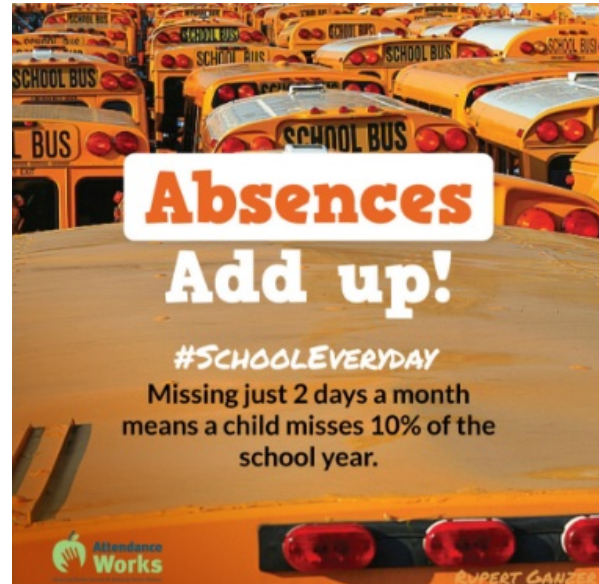
Planning for post high school

#AttendanceMatters!

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We are moving into the season of gratitude. Make sure your child is in school every day. They will be thankful for your support to access a good education.

[MMSD Attendance Website](#)



Important Reminder About Pre-Planned Absence:

Per school board policy each student may only have 10 pre-planned absences per school year. Once 10 PPA absences are recorded in IC, any additional requests for pre-planned absences will have to be denied and if the student is absent without other excusable reasons per school board policy, the student will be marked These 10 excused absences may be flexible to cover things like hair appointments and family celebrations.

Wisconsin Homelessness Awareness Month

Wear Purple and Green for Homelessness Awareness Month

November is Homelessness Awareness Month and National Runaway Prevention Month. In Wisconsin homelessness effects thousands of people, including children and families. To raise awareness, wear purple and green on select November dates:

Wednesday Nov. 1
Wear purple for all people experiencing homelessness

Friday Nov. 3
Wear green for all youth who have run away and youth experiencing homelessness

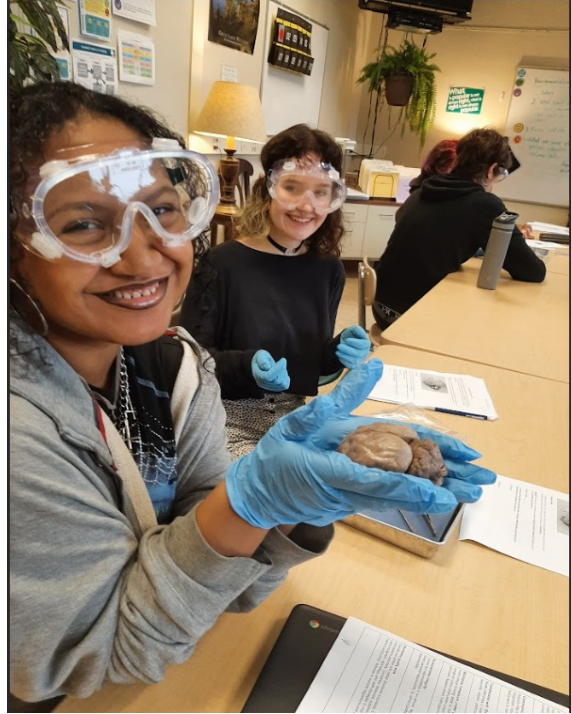
Share pictures of your clothing colors on Facebook:
facebook.com/WisconsinHomelessnessAwareness



Kickoff Event with Guest Speakers

November 1, 2023
12PM
Wisconsin State Capitol Rotunda

More Info @ Wisconsin Homelessness Awareness Facebook Page





Looking Back...

On October 16th, the Exploring Wisconsin Outdoors Learning Lab... went on a paddling and overnight camping trip to Lake Kegonsa State Park.



Latin Heritage Month kicked off our Celebrations this year. Beginning last year, Shabazz started making a concerted effort to celebrate cultural heritage months. For this year's Latin Heritage, we decorated the student center for the entire month and had a community kick-off lunch. At the end of the month we did another month that included.... At lunch, we had a student showcase of Latin Karaoke and Loteria with prizes of Mexican candies. At the end of the day, students got to choose from several movies including Under The Same Moon, Spare Parts, A Million Miles Away, Selena, Coco, and The Book of Life. At the very end of the day, we all got to eat Miranda's Tres Leches cake as we headed out for the weekend. A wonderful celebration that saw lots of smiles, some tears (from the movies), and elevated voices from our Latin students.

Looking Forward....

Neighborhood House's registration for a Thanksgiving Basket is now open. Baskets include all the sides for a full Thanksgiving meal as well as a turkey. Baskets are distributed on Monday, November 20 from 12-6pm. Delivery is not available at this time. Sign up [here](#)



Free Thanksgiving events for 2023

This year we have TWO event options:

- Meal Baskets: Individuals & families can register to pick up a Thanksgiving Meal Basket to pick up on **Thursday, November 16th** from 3:30-6 PM which will include a turkey, stuffing, and additional fixings for a meal! Meals can be picked up at our Fleming Club (2001 Taft Street, Madison) or our McKenzie Club (232 Windsor Street, Sun Prairie).

OR

- Sina Davis Community Meal: Individuals & families can register to join us for an in-person cooked meal on **Thursday, November 23rd** from 11 AM - 2 PM at our Allied Club (4619 Jenewein Rd, Fitchburg).

Registration is [HERE](#), and any questions can be directed to community@bgcdc.org.



Shabazz Student Support Day Guidance

We had our first Student Support Day on November 1st, that allowed many scholar's a chance to work with individual content teachers to make up incomplete or missing work.

There are THREE more Student Support Days this school year:
January 17 ~ April 3 ~ May 29

All families are encouraged to review the [student support day guidance](#) document. All parents/guardians should review student progress in IC and can excuse your scholar (PPA) from attending student support day IF the student is passing projects and meeting expectations in ALL their classes.



INFINITE CAMPUS

The "Campus Student" and "Campus Parent" apps are designed to provide real-time access to student information. The easy-to-use design displays what is currently happening in the classroom so you can understand, monitor, and participate in the

educational process.

Announcements - Quickly see district announcements as they are posted.

Assignments - Browse assignments by specific class or due date.
Attendance - Review attendance events in summary and detail form.
Grades - Immediate access to grades as they are posted.
Schedule - Review schedules from anywhere, at any time.

[Download on the App Store](#)

NEW: Mid-Semester Student Growth Summary "Glow and Grow"

Shabazz has used a narrative report process for many years in order to allow a student more voice in their grading and give students more meaningful feedback about their progress at Shabazz. This year we are revamping our end of semester evaluation process to include meaningful feedback earlier in the semester, so students can set goals and make changes for the remainder of their classes. Teachers at 9 week progress report time will be writing about strengths and growth areas around each student's academic progress and progress in the school's grad profile.

Shabazz November Calendar of Events

Below are some important dates to note for the upcoming month

Nov 1 - Student Support Day

Nov 15 - No School

Nov 16 - PM Conferences

Nov 17 - Conferences

Nov 21 - Fall Fest

Nov 22-24 - Fall Break



[Shabazz October Calendar of Events](#) - quick link to all upcoming school events such as field trips, celebrations, and other things!



Fall Fest is coming up on November 21st. For the festival we will get to eat... At the end of the day we shift from community to learning and will have several workshops for students to choose from. Since November is Native American Heritage month all of the workshops will focus on local native culture. So far, the Foundations of Leadership class has lined up Andi Cloud, local Ho-Chunk story teller, who is going to tell stories of the harvest and show students how to make a Wild Rice Desert. Also coming will be Kim Crowley, who will be helping students to make Ash Baskets in the Ho-Chunk tradition. Finally, we will get to see Tara Tindall, the districts Native American History coordinator to talk to us about local Native history. There will also be a few teacher led workshops including a mounds walk to local mounds and the movie Rez Metal a documentary about the metal movement happening in reservations around the United States. Should be another amazing celebration!



Welcome Keyerah!! Hey Shabazz Community - Please extend a warm welcome to Keyerah Bennett who is joining the Shabazz Family this year as our Student Engagement Specialist and Community In Schools Site Coordinator. In her free time, she loves doing DIY projects and listening to music, traveling, trying new restaurants, and spending time with friends. She will be around on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. She is looking forward to getting to know all of you!



Call for Donations Healthy Snacks!

Greetings Families!! We are accepting donations of healthy, single-serve snacks for our snack bowl! This may include cereal/granola bars, individual cracker/veggie straw packs, fruit snacks, etc. These snacks help keep our students stay happy and fresh!

THANK YOU!!!!



Where in the World Are Our Shabazz Grads?

We want to hear from you! Our monthly newsletter often includes a column about our

Shabazz graduates. So tell us what's new, where you are, and what you're doing these days.

[Click here to fill out the survey](#)

Hello Shabazz Community!

Over the last year, we have been supporting our students in hosting community and cultural celebrations at Shabazz. Our celebrations often include student made community lunches, guest speakers, professional workshops, and student led workshops. Some of our past celebrations included Hispanic Heritage Month, Black History Month, Native American Heritage Month, Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Women's History Month, and more! As these celebrations grow, and more community members are invited in, so do our needs for financial support..

There are two ways to support your Shabazz's cultural and community celebrations:

You can give gift cards to support community lunch during our celebrations by picking up cards from Pic-N-Save or Hy Vee and sending them to Jaren in the office.

You can give to our [donation fund](#). This fund allows us to give directly to our diverse array of community partners for workshops and guest speaking engagements.

Some past guest speakers and workshop leaders we have brought in for these days are:

[Joey Banks](#)

[Elmore Lawson](#)

[Andi Cloud](#)

[Mark and Elliot Funmakers](#)

[Na Hale Studios](#)



QUICK LINKS & HELPFUL RESOURCES

- [Staff contact info](#) ____
 - [Sign up for text message updates](#) ____
 - [Attendance form online](#) [or call 608-204-2440](#)
 - [Schedule](#)
 - [Infinite Campus Portal/App](#)
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[Shabazz Monthly Factoid](#)

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active alternative high schools in the country!



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