

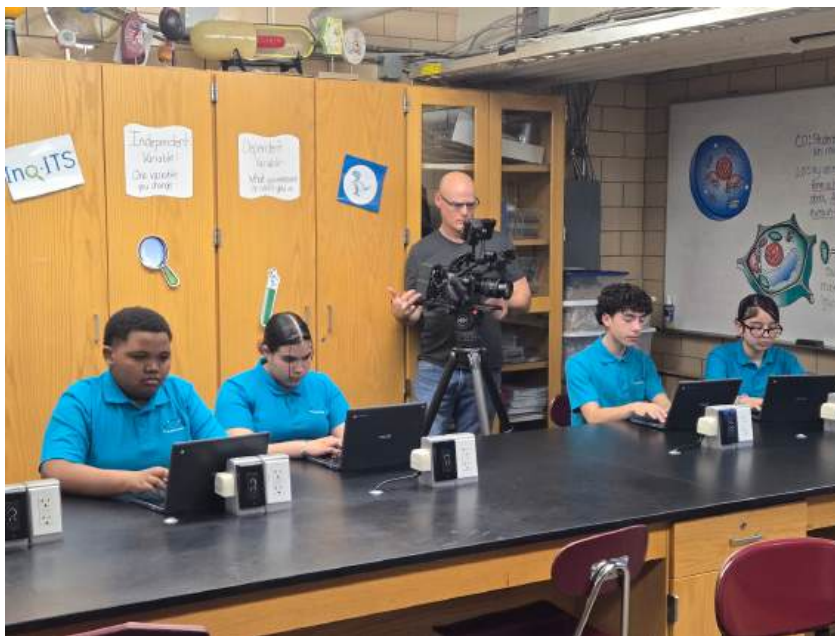
MLVRCS Gazette



Inq-ITS Commercial Filming

On Tuesday, February 25, 2025 Maria L. Varisco-Rogers Charter School was invited to participate in a National Science Teacher Association commercial focused on Inq-ITS (Inquiry Intelligent Tutoring System). Inq-ITS is a collection of virtual labs that allow students to control their own learning by leading inquiry-based simulations in designing investigations, using evidence to make claims, and back up their claims with evidence and reasoning.

Select middle school students walked into the STEM lab and were greeted by Dr. Janice Gobert (C.E.O. and founder of Inq-ITS), Cameron Betts (Co-Founder of Inq-ITS) and a professional filming crew. All students were excited to be part of this experience and are patiently awaiting to have a viewing watch party with Dr. Janice Gobert once the commercial is released. The commercial will be shown at the Philadelphia National Science Teacher Convention from March 26-29, and will run for 1 year on the NSTA YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/user/natsciteachassoc>). We are very proud that MLVR was chosen by Inq-ITS to represent their program.



Important Dates

**12PM Dismissal for Students -
March 26, 2025**

**Marking Period 3 Ends -
March 28, 2025**

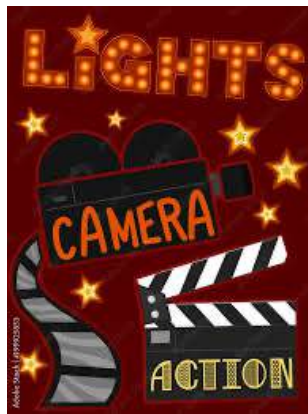
**12PM Dismissal for All –
April 17, 2025**

**Spring Break – April 18 to
April 25, 2025**



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Author's Fair



On Tuesday, March 4, 2025, in celebration of Read Across America Week, our ELA Family Engagement Team hosted our first MLVR Charter School Authors' Fair. We invited local authors and writers to join us. Six local authors and a journal writer (listed below) attended. Each author/writer read their books to the families, had fun activities aligned with their stories, and raffled one of their books to the families in attendance.



The list of authors/writers included: Dr. Marisa Castronova (Meena and Monty), Vida Fernandez (Scar's Thanksgiving), Nadia Zahn (Zoe Wonders Why), Eleonora Romaniello (Flight Lesson), Marianne Romagnoli (Double Stuffed), Elizabeth Leonard (Frizzy Lizzy) and Odelia Pyron (journal writing).

We would like to thank the ELA Family Engagement Night Team (Mrs. McCormick, Mrs. Sanchez, Ms. Raferty, Ms. Gonzalez and Ms. Harpal) for their hard work in organizing this event and all of our authors, writers, board members, staff, and families that attended that evening. Also, we cannot forget a huge heartfelt thank you to Ms. Frances Rosario, owner of All Things Grace for donating her time and printing skills to make our beautiful MLVR tote bags!

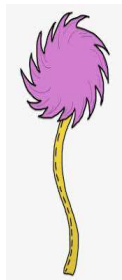


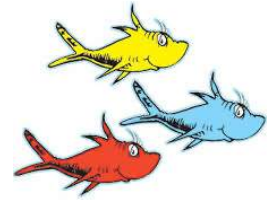
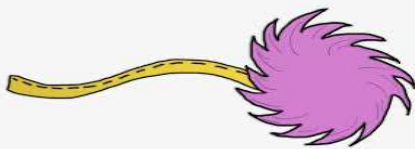
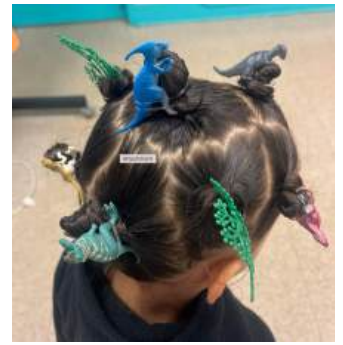
Dr. Seuss Week



The week of March 3, 2025, we celebrated Dr. Seuss and his books through a variety of activities. Check out all the amazing activities, projects and pictures that were taken during Dr. Seuss where our Kindergarten, First and Second Grade students participated in. Some of the classes even had special guest readers that surprised the students. Two of our special guest readers were, Margarita Valentin, a board member and Ms. Pitts, the principal of Newark School of Fashion and Design.

Everyone had a lot of fun and learned about Dr. Seuss and teachers incorporated his books into their lessons.





Black History Month Assembly

On February 20, 2025, students had an assembly for Black History Month. Certain homerooms were responsible for a skit, reading, song or poem. The students did an amazing job presenting and it was a great way to celebrate all they had learned in the past month and throughout the year. Great job!



Land of Smiles Assembly

On March 14, 2025, the students in Kindergarten through Third Grade attended an assembly on the importance of dental care. The presentation was informative and fun and the students took away from the assembly that taking care of their teeth is extremely crucial and important.

