

JR TROJAN WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

February 7, 2020

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Registration now open for Science and Engineering Fair.
- Parent Council Meeting at 6:00 pm on February 25th.
- President's Day, February 17th, no school.



East Lansing Public Schools

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MMS@MMS

Every Monday MMS recognizes Mighty MacDonald Students otherwise known as **MMS@MMS**. These are students who do the right thing when nobody is looking. They are students who go above and beyond, put others before themselves and simply make MMS a better place. Students are announced on the morning announcements and receive a small token of appreciation. This week's MMS@MMS are: 6th graders Jude M., Sarah W., Connor W., Marshall V., Ella G., Sophia T., and Rayyan M; 7th graders Edna H., Hunter M., Eliie A., Abby M., Ava S., Caeden S., Bella I., Ruby H., Kathryn Pl., Adriana T., Jesse T., and Destiny P; 8th graders Ruby P., Lasia I., Phineas R., Annie W., Ella F. and Gabby F.

Congratulations Students!

SAT PRACTICE TEST IS BACK

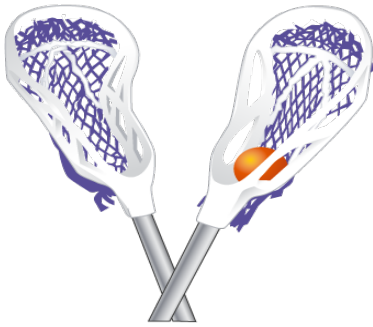
There will be another SAT practice test on February 22nd at ELHS. Please see the **attached flyer** for costs and deadline details.

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR

The MMS Science and Engineering Fair is February 27th from 6-8 pm in the MMS Cafeteria.

There are two categories for the competition: Scientific Experiments and Engineering Projects. See the attachment for more details on how to prepare a display in these two categories. The first 50 participants get an event t-shirt and top prizes include Apple AirPods and iTunes gift cards. Registration is open now through February 10th – use link below to sign up. Email jlatom@gmail.com with questions.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfgQNWb3FDfIQmKrVjPctgjfhUHU922TxbUsvyJT-qk5eia7Q/viewform?usp=sf_link



FREE LACROSSE CLINIC! STILL TIME TO JOIN THE FUN

Hey MMS students! Is Lacrosse something that might interest you? Well, you're in luck. MMS will be hosting Lacrosse clinics. **Please see the attached flyer for more information.** Hope to see you there.



NEW AT MMS

In the spirit of National Kindness Week kicking off February 11, parents and caregivers are seeking supplies for an Empathy and Equity closet at MMS. We've heard from counselors, teachers, and student success coaches that having these items on hand would make a world of difference to our students.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904044baca62faa8-community>

Or, if you prefer, an Amazon wish list has been created indicating these needs as well.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/NIXY2USSLWBY?ref=cm_sw_em_r_wl_dp_A1Cg6D4Mqpf1

Please deliver all goods to the bins in the front office. Thank you so much for your support!



MSU GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION OFFICE

Informational meeting for the GATE (Gifted and Talented Education) program is coming soon. Come learn more about the weekend and full week programs geared towards gifted students! For grades 2-11.

Please see the informational flyer attached.

2020 GIRLS MATH AND SCIENCE DAY REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

The Mid-Michigan chapter of Graduate Women in Science would like to invite your students at MacDonald Middle School to Girls' Math and Science Day at Michigan State University on **Saturday, February 29, 2020**. This is a fantastic opportunity for middle school-aged girls to participate in STEM demonstrations led by some of MSU's enthusiastic and knowledgeable graduate students and researchers. The day for each participant will consist of a keynote speaker talk, four individual STEM-themed activities, an afternoon snack, and an ice cream social with a gift bag giveaway and thank-you note signing. Please see the **attached flyer** for more info.

Girls must register for the event using the following link: <https://midmichigan.wixsite.com/gwis/girlsmathscienceday>
Registration is open and FREE of cost!

COMING SOON: MiPHY SURVEY

MiPHY Survey: On February 20th, 7th grade students will be participating in the Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth Survey supported by the Michigan Department of Education. The research survey will ask about the health behaviors of 7th, 9th, and 11th grade students. The survey will ask about behavior and attitude related to nutrition, physical activity, injuries, tobacco, alcohol, and other drug use. It will also ask about sexual behaviors that cause AIDS, other sexually transmitted diseases, and pregnancy. Please see **attached document** for more information.

Attention Parents: A copy of the survey is available for viewing in the main office.

YEARBOOK INFORMATION

The yearbook club is busy working on the 2019-2020 MMS Yearbook. ***We need your help! We need your photos.***

Anyone with photos that could be used in the MMS yearbook (especially fall activities that have already passed) please send them to: mms2020yearbook@gmail.com. Our club will now begin meeting weekly on Wednesdays.

Want to pre-order your yearbook? Cost is \$20

Go to: ybpay.lifetouch.com, use code: 11190920



Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of blacks in U.S. history. It is also known as African American History Month. This month was chosen because it coincided with the birthday of Abraham Lincoln on February 12 and of Frederick Douglass on February 14, both of which dates black communities had celebrated together since the late 19th century. Black History Month was first proposed by black educators and the Black United Students at Kent State University in February 1969. The first celebration of Black History Month took place at Kent State one year later, from January 2, 1970 – February 28, 1970. President Gerald Ford officially recognized Black History Month in 1976, calling upon the public to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.”

Each day this month we will celebrate a person who has made a significant contribution to African Americans both historically and currently. This week, some of those we have honored include: **Marshall, Thurgood**, 1908–93, U.S. lawyer and associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court (1967–91). In 1936 he joined the legal staff of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. As its chief counsel (1938–61), he argued more than 30 cases before the U.S. Supreme Court, successfully challenging racial segregation, most notably in higher education. **George Washington Carver** (1860s [1] [2] – January 5, 1943) Carver was an American agricultural scientist and inventor. He actively promoted alternative crops to cotton and methods to prevent soil depletion [3] He was the most prominent black scientist of the early 20th century; **Shelton Jackson “Spike,” Lee** born March 20, 1957. Lee is an American film director, producer, writer and actor. His production company, 40 Acres and a Mule Filmworks, has produced more than 35 films since 1983.



#TRENDING

Michigan State University and MacDonald Middle School Present..... **#Trending.**

Is there something you want to change in the world? Is there something happening in your school or the world that you want more people to know about? Is there a hot new meme format you want to try? Yes? Then #Trending club is the place for you! Check out the attached flyer. **Sign up is in the main office or via the email address provided on the attached flyer.** Looks like this is going to be a pretty cool experience. **Sign up soon** and come join the fun!

Club will meet on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

DODGEBALL ANYONE? IT'S A FREE EVENT

East Lansing Police Athletic Leagues (PAL) presents a night of fun for all 6th, 7th and 8th grade MMS students. Come join us on Thursday, March 5th from 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM right here at the MMS gymnasium. Please see the **attached flyer** for more information.

GIRLS BASKETBALL NEWS 😊

The girl's grade 7 team fought hard against Williamston on Monday night coming up a little short in both games. The White team featured the outstanding play of Madie H. and Jessica M. Ciera A. and Marisa S. played well also. The Blue team starred Neveaha V. Leea H. and Zoe Y.

On Wednesday night in the MMS Student events gymnasium it was the 7th grade girl's basketball team ripping up a couple of scrappy Grand Ledge teams. For the White team, Ava S. and Maddie H. played lock down defense while Jess M. and Ciera A. scored big buckets. The Blue team featured the great play of Maeve H., Elli H. and Maddox G. Kinsey M. and Neveaha V. were outstanding in the victory. The girls face Haslett this coming Monday at home. **Great job ladies!**

SEVENTH GRADE JAZZ BAND INFO

1. Future concerts: April 22nd and May 13th

SPRING CONFERENCES ARE COMING UP

March 12th and 17th will be our spring conferences. Watch the newsletter for MyConferenceTime.com (**being set up soon**), to schedule your conferences with your child's teachers. **Please note:** These conference times do fill completely up so be sure to watch for the opening of schedules.

Michigan State
University and
MacDonald Middle
School presents...

WEDNESDAYS

THURSDAYS

January 29 to March 11

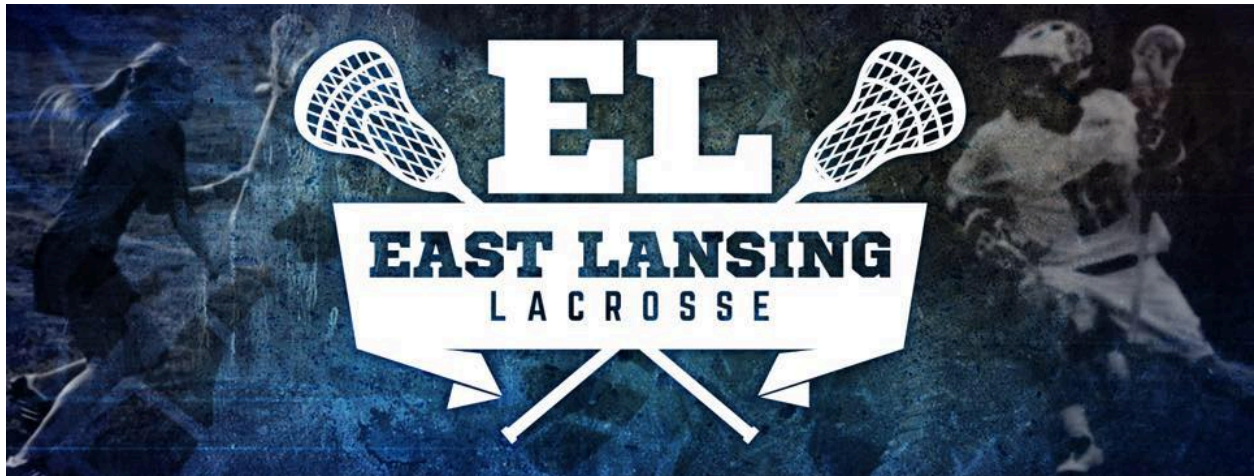
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MacDonald Middle School
Media Center

#Trending

TIKTOK! ART! MEMES!
ARTICLES! QUIZZES!
ADVERTISEMENTS!
NEWS CASTING!

Is there something you want to change in the world? Is there something happening in your school or the world that you want more people to know about? Is there a hot new meme format you want to try? Yes? Then #Trending club is the place for you! Alongside MSU preservice teachers and faculty, and your own classmates, you'll have the opportunity to take that trending topic and make it into your own piece of media. Join today in the office, with your English teachers, or by emailing Dr. Joanne Marciano at marcian2@msu.edu or Dr. Jennifer VanDerHeide at jvheide@msu.edu



FREE LACROSSE CLINICS

STARTING JANUARY 12

The East Lansing Lacrosse Club is offering five **FREE** lacrosse clinics throughout the winter at MacDonald Middle School. These clinics are geared towards players of all levels, from the beginner just starting out to the veteran who wants to sharpen their skills. Come play the fastest game on two feet!

Clinic Dates and times (note the later time on 2/23):

January 12	January 26	February 9	February 23	March 8
3 rd & 4 th Grade 4pm-5pm	3 rd & 4 th Grade 4pm-5pm	3 rd & 4 th Grade 4pm-5pm	3 rd -4 th Grade 6pm-7pm	3 rd -4 th Grade 4pm-5pm
5 th -8 th Grade 5pm-6pm	5 th -8 th Grade 5pm-6pm	5 th -8 th Grade 5pm-6pm	5 th -8 th Grade 7pm-8pm	5 th -8 th Grade 5-6pm

If you have any questions, please contact:

Kimm Waldo

Phone: (517)582-7955 | Email: kimm@eastlansinglax.org

For full clinic details visit

EASTLANSINGLAX.ORG



SCAN ME

SATURDAY
29
FEBRUARY

**When: 2/29/2020
1-5pm**

**Where:
Molecular Plant
Sciences
1066 Bogue St., MSU**

**Registration opens
Feb. 3rd!**

GWIS Mid-Michigan
presents...

Girls' Math & Science Day



Join us for our annual & interactive event designed to give middle school-aged girls access to fun STEM-themed activities led by MSU's own STEM researchers. Visit our website for more information.

Information Meeting - Sunday, March 22, 2020

Location: MSU Business College

632 Bogue Street, East Lansing, MI 48823

GUPPY *Grades 2-6*

GUPPY is designed for young gifted students to attend the MSU campus and explore educational experiences.

MST *Grades 7-8*

Students attend one-week of advanced Math, Science, and Technology curriculum through classes and workshops on campus.

MSTL *Grades 9-10*

In this two-week program, high school students will choose two STEM courses & one leadership workshop.

IS4GT *Grades 6-11*

Students will participate in a one-week advanced program in a specific concentrated curriculum.

Summer Programs

12 pm - 2 pm

GATE overview/ Testing
Academic Year Review
Summer Programs

12:00 pm - 12:30 pm
12:35 pm - 1:00 pm
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Come learn more about the weekend and full-week programs geared towards gifted students!
For grades 2-11.

RSVP ONLINE BY MARCH 13, 2020 @ www.gifted.msu.edu/gatesummerinfo2020



GATE
GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION

Academic Year Programs

Beginning Fall 2020

Complete 4 years of high school curriculum in 2 to 3 years!
For grades 7-10.

Information Meeting

Sunday, February 9, 2020
11 am - 2 pm

Location: MSU Business College

632 Bogue Street, East Lansing, MI 48823

ALL	11:00 am - 11:30 am
M.A.N.G.A.	11:30 am - 12:00 pm
Testing/ Dual Enrollment	12:00 pm - 12:30 pm
CHAMP	12:35 pm - 1:05 pm
ISHALL	1:10 pm - 1:45 pm

CHAMP

Mathematics

Highly advanced math students can enroll in this accelerated math program! Study Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, and Pre-Calculus.

ISHALL

Humanities, Arts, Language, & Literature

Advanced readers will study a wide range of texts and media in literature and the humanities including novels, poetry, and film.

M.A.N.G.A.

Japanese Language

Students enrolled in this new program will be studying the Japanese language and culture over 6 semesters.

ALL

Latin Language

Students will study language and linguistics and discuss the role Latin has played in the development of the English language.



FREE PARKING IN RAMP 1

For a map of the campus, please visit

www.maps.msu.edu/interactive

Phone: 517-432-2129

Email: gifted@msu.edu

Website: gifted.msu.edu

**RSVP ONLINE BY
JANUARY 31st, 2020 @**

www.gifted.msu.edu/gateAYinfo2020

Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth

Parental Notification Form

Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth



Our school is taking part in the Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth Survey supported by the Michigan Department of Education. The research survey will ask about the health behaviors of 7th, 9th, and 11th grade students. The survey will ask about behavior and attitude related to nutrition, physical activity, injuries, tobacco, alcohol, and other drug use. It will also ask about sexual behaviors that cause AIDS, other sexually transmitted diseases, and pregnancy.

Students will be asked to complete an online survey at a private computer terminal. Participation in the survey will cause little or no risk to any student. The only potential risk is that some students might find certain questions to be sensitive. The survey has been designed to protect each student's privacy. **Students will not be asked to provide their name or any other identifying information.** Also, no school or student will ever be mentioned by name in any reported results. The results of this survey will help students in the future. We would like all selected students to take part in the survey, but **the survey is voluntary.** No action will be taken against the school, you, or the student if the student does not participate. Students can skip any question that they do not wish to answer. In addition, students may stop participating in the survey at any point without penalty.

The surveys are available at the school for your review. If you have any questions please contact the main office.

If you object to your child's participation in the survey, please complete the form below. **You only need to return this form if you do not give your child permission to take the survey.**

Please see the other side of this form for more facts about the survey. Thank you.

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

I have read and understand this form concerning the MiPHY Project.

[] My child **does not** have my permission to participate.

Parent's Signature: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Date: _____

Note: You DO NOT need to return this form if you give your child permission.

Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth (MiPHY) Survey

Fact Sheet for Parents/Guardians

Q. Why is the survey being done?

A. The Michigan Department of Education has provided this survey as a means for local school districts to assess student needs and develop education programs and other strategies to help reduce health risk behaviors.

Q. What kinds of questions are asked on the survey?

A. The MiPHY includes questions about a range of health risk behaviors and attitudes that can lead to serious health problems.

Q. Are sensitive questions asked?

A. Some questions may be considered sensitive. The only way to determine the extent to which adolescents are at risk, however, is to ask questions about these behaviors. Questions are presented in a straightforward and respectful manner and those that focus on risk behaviors always begin with an abstinence or non-use answer choice. In addition, students always have the option to skip questions.

Q. Will student participation be anonymous? Will student privacy be protected?

A. Yes. Survey administration procedures have been designed to protect student privacy and allow for anonymous participation. Students will not enter their names or other identifying information at any point during this survey.

Q. Will students be surveyed again to see how their behavior changes?

A. No. It will be impossible to track students who participate because no identifying information will be collected.

Q. How long will it take to fill out the survey?

A. It will take approximately one class period to complete the online, multiple-choice survey.

Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth





2020 Dodge Ball

**East Lansing 6th, 7th, & 8th Graders
6:00PM – 7:30PM**

Date: March 5th, 2020

Location: East Lansing Middle School Gym

Please complete below registration form and bring on the night of the Event.

NAME:_____

AGE:_____ **SCHOOL:**_____

PHONE NUMBER:_____

**Parental / Guardian Consent
Signature Required for Participation**

PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:_____

***There is no charge for participation**



Introducing the **SAT Practice Test !**

The SAT exam is coming - are you ready?
The East Lansing Educational Foundation and Sylvan Learning Center
have teamed up to get you ready.

The SAT Practice Test:
half-day seminar and practice
exam that preps you for the SAT.

All ELHS students are required to take the SAT in April of
their junior year. Studies have shown that student scores improve
by taking the SAT multiple times.

The cost is just \$25 – all proceeds go to the ELEF to help fund
East Lansing School District programs.

SAT Practice Exam: Saturday, February 22, 2020

8:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in the ELHS Student Union

Open to all MMS and ELHS Students

Please register early to reserve your spot.

Attendance will be limited to the first 150 students!

Snacks generously provided by Grand Traverse Pie Company.

What to bring – calculator and sharpened pencils - snacks provided

To register, fill out the form below and return along with payment to ELEF,
Attn: SAT Workshop; 501 Burcham Dr, EL 48823. Registrations may also
be dropped off in the MMS or ELHS main office.

Deadline is February 18, 2020.

Registration (Detach and Save Top Part for Your Information)

Student name _____ grade _____

Parent name _____ phone _____

Parent's email address _____

Street address _____ City _____ Zip _____

☐ Check (Please make check payable to the East Lansing Educational Foundation)

☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa Card Number _____ Expiration ____/____

Name in Card _____ Signature _____

*Scholarships available to those students who qualify