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Michigan School for the Deaf Newsletter



UPDATES FROM CHARLES THOMAS, CAMPUS MANAGER

Hello Tartars!!

We are off to a great start for the 2019 - 2020 school year. We are moving forward in partnering with Gallaudet University. We have had visits from Marianne Belsky and Nicole Sutcliffe. They have met with MSD leadership, observed classrooms and are setting the foundation for Michigan School for the Deaf to become a top tier school.

Thank you for supporting MSD. Go Tartars!!!!

UPDATES FROM ANGELA HORNE, INTERIM PRINCIPAL

Happy Spooky Season!

We have many fun things happening this month!

On October 29th, we will be having First Responders Day! Police, Firefighters, and EMTs will be on campus doing a mini Trunk or Treat! They will also be explaining what they do each day. This is going to be an awesome experience!

October 31st will be our Elementary Halloween Parade. Just as previous years, please make sure that all costumes are school appropriate and not scary. Also, masks that cover the face are not permitted.

UPDATES FROM ALVIN SHAW, DORM SUPERVISOR

September had flown by quickly. We had gained few more dorm students and we are looking forward for more new students. Education Resource Center (ERC) started few weeks after school started. Students are using ERC for their homework needs.

Upcoming dorm activity

October 1st Captioned movie theatre

October 21st thru 24th Spirit week 6pm- 8pm

October 31st, Trunk n treat 630 pm - 730pm — Day students are welcome

Anyone interested setting up for trunk n treat please RSVP with dorm supervisor at Shawal@michigan.gov

IMPORTANT DATES

October 14

- Parents for Change meeting 5:00-7:00pm

October 29

- First Responders Day

October 31

- Elementary Halloween Parade

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Staff Spotlights

Every month, we will be spotlighting different MSD staff to recognize all of their hard work for our students.

Thank you staff members for being amazing!

BRYAN ALLEN

HS MATH TEACHER, MS ROBOTICS TEACHER

Bryan Allen joined the Michigan School for the Deaf family three years ago when he became one of the staff members in the EXP Program.

Bryan currently has a Bachelor's degree from Baker College in Interpreting. He is also in the process of obtaining a Masters in Education from the University of Michigan. He is expected to graduate in April of 2020.

For the 2019-2020 school year, Bryan is teaching High School Mathematics as well as Middle School Robotics.

Bryan has been married to his wife, Melissa, since Pi Day (3.14.15). They have one son, Barry, and another child expected in late March.



MARTY MIRACLE

RESIDENT CARE AIDE

Marty Miracle has worked with us for 12 years. He has worked in Unit Two High School Boys, Unit Three Junior High Boys, Unit Five High School Girls and LRC boys. He is currently working at LRC Boys on second shift.

Marty likes to work with students on achieving their goals.

He likes to plan fun activities for our students.

Marty is always eager to provide supports to our students!

ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT UPDATES

School Spirit week is coming up! It will be from Monday October 21st to the 25th. The theme of the week is

Tartars are CHAMPS! Creative, Helpful, Awesome, Mighty, Positive, and Successful!

There will be many activities that week. The whole school will participate in fun dress up theme days. High School

classes will have their traditional competition all week in the evenings. Our student leaders, Jake and Noah will be sharing videos

throughout the week with more information on spirit week; Theme days and competition details.

A few additions/changes this year are-

- Door competition for classes (in lieu of the traditional hallway decorations we used to do in the old school building)

- Instead of doing the Pep Rally, this year we will be hosting Tartars Got Talent!

- We will have our Homecoming Spirit week during basketball season where we will also host our carnival.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FROM THE CLERC CENTER

<https://www3.gallaudet.edu/clerc-center.html>



JOB POSTINGS

Teacher Positions
School Social Workers
Substitute Teachers
Teacher Aides and More

<https://www.michiganschoolforthe deaf.org/employment-opportunities--225>