

HOWARD

DRAGONS

April 25' Newsletter



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Greetings Howard Families,

Spring is here! It is a great time to promote more outdoor activities for our children and less screen time! Less screen time usually leads to happier, healthier, and more focused children. We know it is not always easy to minimize screen time in our digital world, but we hope to work together to promote a healthy balance for all our students. We appreciate the teamwork!

This past month (March is Reading Month) has been filled with fun and educational activities for our children. Thank you to all the staff, students, and parents who have made this month special! We had many guest readers from our community; we consistently received positive feedback about Howard's outstanding students and staff. It is a true reflection of the Howard community! We could not be more proud of our successes, academic achievement and progress, and the school community's teamwork. Go Dragons!

Please contact the office if you have any questions about registering your child for the summer discovery program! We have already sent out many communications regarding this and want to ensure you do not miss any information.

Wishing you a wonderful spring!

Take care and stay connected!
Mrs. Sabbagh

M-STEP and iReady Spring Testing Information:

Website to practice for online M-STEP:
<https://wbte.drcedirect.com/MI/portals/mi>

All grade levels will take the iReady assessment in math and ELA. iReady testing for students in grades K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade will take place from April 28th to May 9th. Students in 5th grade will take the iReady assessment between April 7th and April 25th (this test will determine admission into STEM middle school for fifth-graders interested in this program).

Beginning in April, grades 3-5 will also take the state M-STEP assessment, which has a testing window from April 7th to May 16th. [Click here to view some helpful information](#) for parents; please let your child's teacher know if you have questions.

Please see the testing windows for each grade:

5th Grade:

MSTEP testing will take place from April 7th -May 16th.

4th Grade:

MSTEP testing will take place from April 21st to May 16th.

3rd Grade:

MSTEP testing will take place from April 21st to May 16th.

Attendance:

Please call the attendance line if your child will be absent at 313-827-6351 or enter it in Parent Connect. The first bell is at 8:55 am, and the tardy bell is at 9:00 am. Instruction begins at 9:00 am. *Please note that if your child is sick,*

