

Murray Lake Messenger

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From the Principal...

I hope you all had a wonderful and relaxing spring break! This week we got back into the swing of things again. It is hard to believe we only have about 7 weeks of school left!



As I mentioned before spring break, our students began taking (or will begin soon) the MSTEP and MAP (Measurement of Academic Progress) assessments. This testing will go on for the next month. Please remind your child to try his/her hardest on this assessment. These assessments give us great feedback on how much our students have grown academically throughout the school year. We use the data to help us evaluate our curriculum and our instructional practices. The data is only helpful if each student's data is valid and reflects his/her 100% effort.

This weekend is the performance of *The Trial of Goldilocks*! This performance is put on by the LowellArts program at Lowell High School. We have many Murray Lake students participating. It is a 45 minute show and perfect for any elementary age student. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased online (<https://www.lowellartsmi.org/trial-of-goldilocks>) or at the door. There is also the option to stream it at home as well. Check it out if you can! Congratulations to all of our performers! They have worked so hard!

Performances:

Friday, April 16: 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 17: 11:00 am & 2:30 pm

We had a very productive week. Our students and teachers seemed rested and ready to finish the school year off with a bang! I see quality teaching and learning on a daily basis. Murray Lake is a GREAT place to be! Have a fantastic weekend!

Molly Burnett, Principal

Upcoming Events:

Week of April 19:

M-STEP & MAP Testing

Hearing & Vision Screening

Last Chance for Yearbooks! Deadline is today, April 16, 2021!

Parents, if you would like to order a yearbook & haven't already, see info below. If you're unsure, you can call Geskus to see if you already ordered one, 616/453-4170.

Hearing & Vision Screenings are next week, 4/19-23 (Mon-Fri), in Room C100. **Virtual students should come on Friday, 4/23, between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm.** Those students can access the building through the main entrance on a walk-in basis. Parents should wait outside after pushing the buzzer in the vestibule and completing the Covid screening: <https://www.lowellschools.com/our-district/superintendent/screening-for-students/>, or QR Code: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1245tNNeqo9kBkddiJzPVTa-ZoKbsL7Rs/view>. Students will be directed by staff to the screening room.

For incoming kindergarten students, Bushnell Elementary will be having a screening day on 5/24/21. MLE incoming kindergarten students are welcome. The Signup Genius for this is as follows: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4babae2ea5ff2-bushnell1>. No incoming kindergarten students should come to MLE the week of 4/19. Only Bushnell on 5/24, or via a personal doctor appointment.



Student Placement Request Forms are now available for the 2021-22 school year!

See attached form or request one from our office.