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MC² High School News

The Milwaukee College & Career (MC²) High School mission is to empower students to become engaged learners utilizing 21st century tools and resources leading to successful post-secondary opportunities in a global environment.



STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

SENIOR

EMERALD CASTRO

Congratulations to Emerald Castro on her acceptance to Columbia University in Chicago.

JUNIORS Marisa Ortiz & Jahailie Arias

have been selected as youth leaders for the Milwaukee Rep afterschool program.

Congratulations!



Letter from Administration

On behalf of the entire staff, welcome to a glorious year at Milwaukee College and Career High School. There have been many exciting changes at MC² so that we continue to challenge students. In addition to offering new electives such as Street Law, social issues, and genetics, we have a strong commitment to preparing all of our students for the ACT. Additionally, we incorporate 21st century soft skills daily. These include respect, responsibility, citizenship and relationships. All of the staff are continually awestruck at the wealth of positives that are surfacing daily in this community. Thank you for your continued support. We couldn't do this work without the commitment from the families and the community as a whole. As always, if you have any comments or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us. We welcome your involvement.

Sincerely,

Colleen Stuckart and Stephanie Steinbach
Principals

Washington D.C. Trip 2017

MC² High School had an absolutely incredible time on our trip to Washington, D.C. Thanks to the generosity of Herb Kohl Philanthropies, thirty-one MC² students and three staff members along with students and chaperones from Windlake Academy, Tenor High School and Veritas High School toured our nation's capital from September 30th-October 4th. Over the course of three days, students visited a number of museums, monuments, and historical landmarks including Arlington National Cemetery; the Lincoln, Jefferson, FDR and Martin Luther King Memorials; the WWII, Korean, Vietnam, and Pentagon Memorials; the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum; and the U.S. Capitol. The high school students were given a tour of George Washington University. Students also enjoyed a dinner cruise on the Potomac River. This trip was life-changing for the MC² students and their memories will last a lifetime!



A great place to learn

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News From Laura

Laura's classes have been busy and working hard so far this year. **English 11** just finished up their Native American unit and wrote their own Native American-style creation myths. All of them were fascinating! Now, they've moved onto exploring the Salem Witch Trials through *The Crucible*.

Both sections of **English 10** have finished their poetry unit with detailed poet analysis essays, and really incredible poems written by each student. Students also collaborated to write some fantastic partner poetry.

Laura's **novels** classes have been working hard on analyzing characters and themes in *The Glass Castle*. Thanks to some amazing art supplies donated to us through DonorsChoose, students created amazing visual representations of events from the book.

Outside of class, **student government** has been busy electing student representatives and planning a packed semester of activities. We hope to see all our students and families at our Fall Family Night.



UPCOMING EVENTS

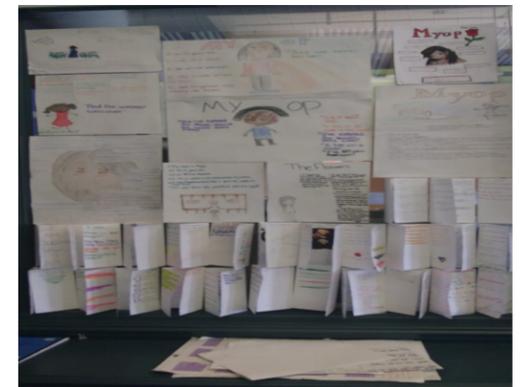
NOV. 17	INCENTIVE DAY
NOV. 22-24	THANKSGIVING BREAK
DEC. 5	ACT TESTING DAY
DEC. 12	PARENT COUNCIL MEETING
DEC. 22-29	WINTER BREAK
JAN. 3	SCHOOL RESUMES
JAN. 15	MLK DAY-SCHOOL CLOSED
JAN. 17 & 18	SEMESTER 1 EXAMS
JAN. 19	MAKE UP EXAMS-SCHOOL CLOSED
JAN. 22-26, 31	MAP TESTING' ACT Practice Testing Day

News From Taylor

In **English 9**, students are working hard to understand the fundamentals of English discourse--characterization, plot development, conflict, and theme! Currently we are reading short stories, including "The Most Dangerous Game." Students are enjoying finding out more about each character and the suspenseful plot.

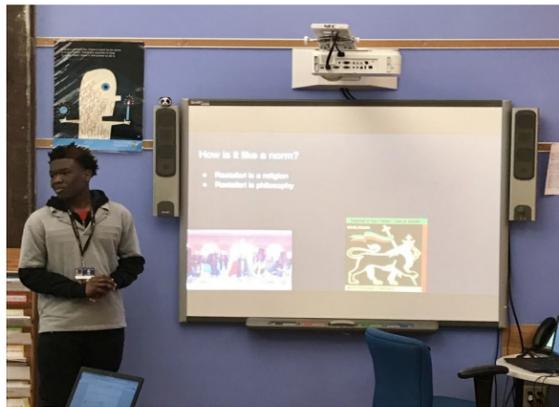
Writer's Workshop--a new elective for MC²--has also worked to find suspense in stories. Some students had the opportunity to write scary stories, filled with suspense, that we will read for Friday the 13th. A large part of the course is exploring the different real world purposes writers utilize. Currently, students are describing a significant person in their life and reflecting on why that person is so important to them.

Seniors in **English 12** are also focused on real world purposes of writing. They are working toward completing college level rhetorical analysis. Seniors have applied newfound strategies and jumped into a conversation larger than the ones in our classroom. I am incredibly proud of our students' progress, and I can't wait to see what they will write next!



News From Luke

Hello! My name is Luke Johnson, the social studies teacher at MC². This year I am teaching U.S. History to 9th and 10th graders, civics to 11th graders, Street Law to 12th graders, and Social Issues as an elective. In Social Issues, we have been learning about various aspects that contribute to culture. We explored what culture is, language and symbolism, material and nonmaterial culture, how culture changes over time, values and beliefs, pop culture, subculture, and counterculture. One way students applied their understanding of culture was through a PowerPoint presentation on various subcultures and countercultures. Some topics of research included Hippies, Hinduism, Buddhism, Rastafarianism, the Yakuza, and Rastafari. Below is a photo of a student sharing his presentation on Rastafarianism with the class.



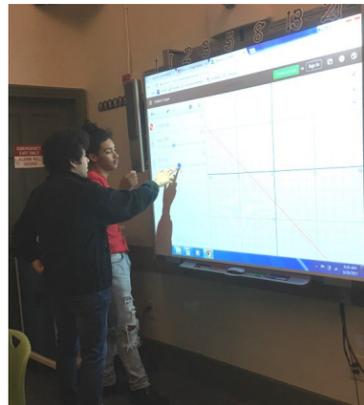
News from David

Students in **biology** just finished a great unit on cells. Students created 3-dimensional models, a cell analogy story, and illustrations on what exactly is going on in our cells! They identified each of the parts of our cells, and differentiated how they differ from plant cells. Our next unit will be on photosynthesis.

Environmental science is also off to a great start. The upperclassmen are actively engaged in this 'introductory' unit about many issues going on which involve reading classic stories such as *The Lorax* and *Truax* that explain both sides of deforestation and pollution. Many of the students love making connections to their childhood, and the others enjoyed reading about genetics.

News from Laila

My name is Laila Eslami and I am the algebra and Transitions to College Mathematics teacher here at MC². In algebra we have covered order of operations and functions. Ask your child how a function is like a vending machine! In Transitions to College Mathematics we have worked with linear, exponential, and quadratic functions. Ask your child about correlation and causation! I believe that everyone has a desire to problem-solve and as a mathematics teacher, it is important for me to enrich that skill. I use problem-solving methods to help students learn mathematics using high cognitive tasks and less teacher-led note taking. I want students to see the power of learning and exercising mathematics. Not only do I want them to be able to see real-world applications, but also be able to apply skills to situations in their own lives. I also like to incorporate technology into my classes. Students have been working with *desmos*, a powerful online calculator. In the picture below two students are working on *desmos*.



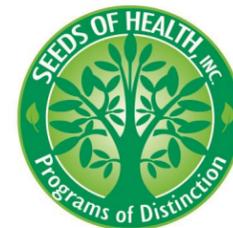
News from Aliscia

Students in **Algebra 2** are working hard learning about functions and linear equations. They are identifying how to recognize if functions are one-to-one. They are doing great work in groups. Students in **geometry** are doing amazing things with reasoning and proof. They will be looking at patterns and using logic to solve some really tricky riddles! **Personal Finance** has been busy preparing for the field trip to Junior Achievement Financial Park in November. Students receive a new "persona" with job, education, income and family scenarios. Based on their new persona, students will visit businesses to research and gather information to make financial decisions. Students will manage their household budget, use banking services, manage investments and much more!

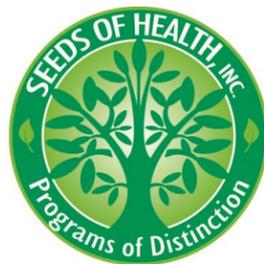


Jose Villagomez and Marisleys Lopez are working on a pipe valve unit at the Local 420 Union in Oak Creek, a trades partnership program.

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