

# MENTA ACADEMY BELLEVILLE

## March/April Newsletter

*From the desk of Mrs. Daugherty*

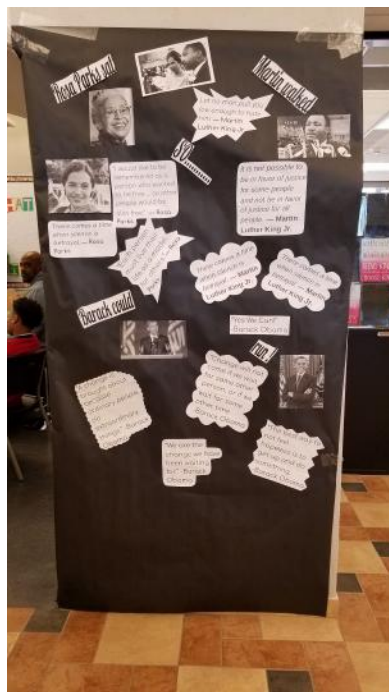


Dear Parents,

Spring is here! While we are looking forward to warmer weather, we would like to remind everyone that with the Springtime comes statewide assessments and testing. Please remember that student attendance is imperative during the upcoming assessment window. Please continue to provide encouragement and support as these tests can be stressful to students. I would like to thank everyone in advance for their willingness to be flexible as we attempt to get all of our students tested

Sincerely,

Mrs. Daugherty



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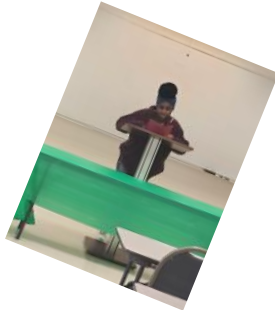
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### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

#### Speech Competition Winners

Students participated in a school wide Speech Competition! Three winners were selected from our Middle School and High school classes to compete in a Menta Regional Speech Competition in Litchfield, IL on Feb. 27th. This competition included students from all of the Mid-State Menta programs. The topic for the competition was "Who is the most influential/important American in history and why?"

1st Place Winner- River! 2nd Place Winner-Destiny! 3rd Place-Star!



As a way to recognize hardworking and dedicated educators and students. The Brother's of Southern Cross Lodge #112 created the Educator and Student of the Month Program and presented an award to our student and staff

Teacher of the month Ms. Pangelinan and student of the month Armond

**Congratulations!**



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*Committed to preparing students to be College, Career, and Citizenship ready.*

At MAB we aim to focus on helping our students to be 3C Ready. While enrolled in the program, students are exposed to curriculum, experiences, and tasks designed to help them prepare for life after high school. No matter what their individual goals are, we strive to help each student prepare in the areas of College, Career, & Citizenship.

*Here are some highlights of how our students are being prepared in these areas...*

<u>Career</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>Citizenship</u>
<p>Recently, high school students who attend group sessions were educated on how to create a resume and cover letter. This will readily prepare those students who are striving for future employment.</p> <p>Students completed the ISA in March and will be taking IAR and PSAT/SAT in April.</p>	<p>Students recently took a field trip to tour the Lindenwood University Belleville campus. Students were able to explore the multiple departments that the campus holds such as the : Gymnasium, Admissions office, Student Development Center (student were informed about IEP/Disability support, Incoming Freshmen Orientation). Students were also shown dorm rooms for those students who choose to live on campus.</p>	<p>Our students participated in a school wide Black History Month project. Each advisory classroom was asked to brainstorm ideas and work together to create door decorations to show pride for Black History and these doors were judged in March. Our students and staff worked hard to come up with original ideas to show many important people and events that have shaped our nation. We enjoyed looking at all the designs and our winners were treated to pizza! Way to go to everyone, but a special shout out to our winners from Mrs. Smith's class, Ms. Tributou's class and our runners up from Ms. Jamison's class!</p>



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<p>Fox 2</p>	<p>An updated calendar went home on 3.18.19 Please call the school if you need a copy.</p>
<p><b>March Themes</b></p> <p>March 1st- Read Across America Day March 6th- National Oreo Cookie Day March 8th-National Women's Day March 14th- National PI day March 18th- St Patricks Day Celebrations</p> <p><b>Monthly Themes</b> National Women's History Month National Social Work Month</p>	<p><b>April Themes</b></p> <p>April 9th-National Library Workers Day April 13th- Thomas Jefferson's Birthday April 15th- Patriot's Day April 19th- Good Friday</p> <p><b>Monthly Themes</b> Autism Awareness Month National Poetry Month National Volunteer Month</p>

Upcoming:

Last day of School: May 23, 2019

Summer School Begins: June 3, 2019 to July 25

No School July 4th and July 5th