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# Sabbath News



## Sabbath is reading at new heights!!!!!!



Our Accelerated Readers are jumping for joy over their accomplishments made during the 2nd quarter marking period. Eighty-one students reached or exceeded 100% of their goal. On Thursday, February 11, 2016 they participated in a rewarding day at Sky Zone in Taylor, Michigan. We are so very proud of our students and their continuous efforts to work hard at achieving their A.R. goals. KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK SABBATH!!!!!!!!

## Students Of The Month

## Damond Amir Jernigan

What I love about Sabbath the most is the teachers care about you and push you to your maximum ability. Mr.Cox is a fun and he works hard everyday to make sure everybody is happy.

## Emmanuel Salcedo

The reason why I like Sabbath is how the staff cares about us and how awesome Mr.Cox is. It's important to do your work and ignore your friends in class, if you want to pass your grade.

#### Miya Miles

Sabbath prepares you for your future and hopes you succeed. Sabbath staff cares for all of us and that's why I'm glad I chose Sabbath Middle School.

## **Emilly Deane**

I attend Sabbath I realize that not only do they focus on your education they want you to have fun while doing it.

## <u>Honor Roll Students</u> 2<sup>nd</sup> CARD <u>MARKING</u>

Daniel Angulo-4.00 Makiyah McIver - 4.00 Faith Jackson - 3.94 Curtisey Williams - 3.88 Ashira Booker - 3.86 Jannet Mercado - 3.72 Cortland Cochran - 3.61 Emmanuel Salcedo-3.60 Yamileth Hernandez - 3.53 Niya Rhodes-Hankens - 3.50 Catherine DeLoach - 3.46 Aliyha Robinson - 3.44 Reginald Lee - 3.38 Sharnae Pítts - 3.33 Indía Murray - 3.27 Eddie Martinez-Velazquez -Evelyn Salcedo-Salcedo -3.66 Shianne Jackson - 3.61 Zoe Finley - 3.60 Jazmean'e Griffen - 3.55 Asjah Free - 3.50 Ely Vazquez Arriaga - 3.46 Paige Burns - 3.40 Terrell Johnson - 3.33 Luís Zacarías - 3.33

Alíasha Khampraseuth -

3.20

## Science News

Congratulations to 7<sup>th</sup> graders, Dalicia Carroll and Eric Zervos for having the top Science scores on the Winter NWEA Map testing!



8<sup>th</sup> grade science students worked in teams to devise a plan to test silica content in lava.





7<sup>th</sup> grade science students explore with "Chemistry in a Ziplock bag" discovering endothermic and exothermic reactions.



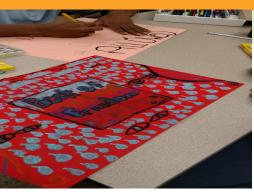
6<sup>th</sup> grade science students are creating closed ecosystem, which includes a living aquarium and a living terrarium. Please send in a \$1.00 to help cover the cost of plants and animals.

## Students of the Month Continued ......

#### Solarias Hudson

While I'm at this school, I can achieve anything that comes my way. What I like about the school is that the staff and also Mr. Cox really cares about my education and wants me to be successful in life.

#### Art News



Artwork done by Sabbath Students for Black History Month

## Parents, Have You Ever Wondered What We are Teaching Your Children?

All State of Michigan schools follow the Common Core Standards. To learn more about the standards for each content area log onto the Common Core State Standards Initiative at <a href="http://www.corestandards.org/">http://www.corestandards.org/</a>

At Sabbath Middle School we use guidance from the Oakland (Kent County) Curriculum for ELA, Science and Social Studies. Our social studies more specifically use the Michigan Citizenship Collaborative Curriculum. Our math department uses BCS Pacing Guides. For more information on our curriculum please see the following link. https://oaklandk12-public.rubiconatlas.org/Atlas/Public/View/Default

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

This year, your child will experience some exciting new test components in the M-STEP mathematics and ELA assessments that will measure deeper critical thinking skills. These new test components and items include: Technology enhanced (TE): On the online tests, some items will ask students to drag and drop, select text in a passage, select spots on a graphic, match between two lists, fill-inthe-blank, or select multiple answers to a test question. Constructed response (CR): Students will be asked to produce a grade appropriate written response to some test questions to demonstrate a clearer understanding of the content standard being assessed. Classroom Activity (CA) component: There will be a teacher-led 30- minute scripted lesson that introduces students to the topic of the Performance Task. This component is NOT SCORED, but will help students to have an understanding of the theme being presented in the Performance Task. Performance Task (PT) component: For mathematics and ELA, students will experience a new test component that is theme-based and asks them to answer more than one question related to a source, or several source/document(s). PTs are specifically designed to assess students' depth of content knowledge. Because of the technology enhanced and written response items, some questions on the online tests will require basic computer and keyboarding skills. Students will have had many opportunities to practice these online tools and skills before taking the tests. Your child's school has the flexibility to give the online tests anytime within a three-week time frame for each grade level. For example, schools will administer the three subject area tests to students in grades 5 and 8 during the testing window of April 13 through May 1. Please support your Brandon C. Cox, Principal child by taking practice M-Step tests online.