

MEC October Newsletter

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Our Focus of the Month is:
Bullying

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Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri

2	3 Bus Evacuation Drill	4	5 Achieve Party/CAEEL	6 Institute Day—No School
9 Columbus Day—No School	10	11 Early Dismissal—Fall Testing	12	13 CAEEL Game
16	17 Military Wear	18 Club Day	19 CAEEL Game	20 End of 1st Qtr Early Dismissal
23 Career Fair Red Ribbon Week	24 1st qtr recognition breakfast	25	26 Library Day	27 CAEEL
30	31 Mix it up Breakfast			

CAEEL—

10/5—MEC vs. HF @ 10:30am

10/13—MEC vs. Peace & Education @ 10:30am

10/19—MEC vs. HF @ 10:30

10/27—MEC vs. SPEED @ 10:30

Perfect Attendance: Aviana Freeman
Great Job!!

Achieve

MEC is currently using Achieve3000®'s proven and patented method of online differentiated instruction to engage all learners at their individual reading levels and constantly challenge them to improve their literacy skills. In order to increase reading comprehension and Lexile levels students will be encouraged to complete 8 Achieve activities per month with at least 75% accuracy. Students who reach or exceed this goal will be considered ACHIEVERS and eligible for a monthly celebration. MEC's goal for the 2017-2018 school year is to raise each student's Lexile level by 100 points. We look forward to reaching our goals and to seeing all our students at the Monthly Achieve Celebrations! The September 2017 Achievers are:

William Cheers	Demarco Dillon	Volandrea Fitzgerald
Trayvon Frazier	Aviana Freeman	Vashaun Hatchett
Tairon Johnson	Justin Jones	Jarell Lawton
Deandre Rush	Michaela Wright	Jarrell Wilson

Plato Success!! Our students are working very hard! The following students have already completed classes for 1st semester:

Demarco Dillon—5 Classes
Johnathan Franzese—1 class
Tairon Johnson—1 class
Keyana Moreno—1 Class
Justin Marma—2 classes
Lorene Winding—1 class

Middle School student "have taken it to the hallways"

MEC Middle School students recorded speed, time, and distance in a special science experiment. They also looked at the impact friction has on surfaces. Students built ramps made of different textures, and raced small toy cars in the hallway. We compared, made contrast, and recorded the results. We also conducted an experiment in balance and motion. Each student had a deck of cards and was challenged to "build a house of cards". If all forces were balanced, the house of cards would not fall. Let us just say we picked up many cards during this experiment.—Ms. McCarthy

We have completed our first full month here at MEC and our year is off to a great start. There are a number of new things from the Tier I PBIS team. One of the biggest changes has been a shift from our previous behavior referral system, into a more intervention and restorative practice system where students will receive BIFs (Behavior Intervention Forms) for minor behavior issues and only receive referrals if it is a major behavior infraction. Our PBIS focus for the month of September was attendance. We had one student who had perfect attendance, and over 25% of our student body had attendance above 80%. The students did an outstanding job focusing on getting here on time, every day, all day. The focus for the month of October will be Bullying Awareness, which will coincide with the National Bullying Awareness month. We will have a lesson plan ("Cool Tools") for all classes to participate in, to reinforce the focus of the month. There will also be a BINGO card for each student to be able to track their positive behavior in their classes, as they work towards their incentive of the month