

INSPIRE, EDUCATE, CELEBRATE

Save the Date

Feb I:PTSA lock in event 3:30-5:30

Feb. 5th, 12th & 26:Parent Talk from 8:30-10

Feb 7: Late start and PTSA meeting afterschool 3:15

Feb 9: Piston Game

Feb. 6th, 13th & 27:Fitness for moms from 8-10

Feb 16: 100 year anniversary meeting

February 19-23
Mid- winter
break, no school

## Salina Intermediate

#### Wildcat Tracks



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# A letter from the Principal



Dear Parent/ Guardian,

Thank you for attending our Parent Principal Forum meeting. We had a great turn out this month. If you missed the meeting, please go to one of our iblog sites to get all of the resources/handouts.

https://iblog.dearbornschools.org/laweraj/or\_https://salina-int.dearbornschools.org/

Winter NWEA Testing is concluding this week. Our team will be sending out communications regarding Parent Contracts, the 2 or More E's letters and the I or More E's reports. All report cards will be mailed home to the parents.

WIDA testing will begin on February 5. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Alqadhi, Mrs. Qasem and/or Mrs. Talukder at 313-827-6600.

Second Semester started on Monday, January 29. If you would like more information on the "Student Progress Report Dates", view our iblogs or contact our school counselor, Mrs. Nowak. Congratulations to Salina Intermediate School! We are now an AVID Certified Site.

Open Door Policy: Remember, Administration, Teachers and our Support Team have an Open Door Policy.

If you have any questions, please feel free to visit Salina Intermediate School at any time, or call the main office at 313-827-6600 Thank you

Sincerely,

Mr. Lawera

#### Salina TechCats: Robotics Meet



McCullough Unis school hosted a FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) Robotics Competition. The December event drew as many as 36 teams from across the state of Michigan. This is the first year Salina Intermediate joined the national competition. The TechCats, a team of 14 students, met everyday during the month of November to design, build and program a robot. The mission of FIRST is to inspire young people to be science and

technology leaders and innovators. Our students made us extremely proud and represented our community respectfully. They competed head to head with many teams from all over Michigan. A special thank you to our coaches: Mariam Mohamed, Cynthia Alvarado, Eman Ahmed and Hanan Hussein.





# The best teachers are those who show you where to look, but don't tell you what to see.

#### Staff Spotlight: Ms. Anna Centi

Mrs. Centi, the A.V.I.D. Elective Teacher and Coordinator has been teaching at Salina for 6 years. She is currently working on her Master's Degree in Bilingual Education with a concentration in ESL (English as Second Language). She is a mother of 2 daughters, Alessandra and Bianca, who also attend school in Dearborn Public Schools. Mrs. Centi's passion lies in helping build students' confidence through collaboration, inquiry-based activities and project-based

learning.

A.V.I.D. – Our College Prep program at Salina Intermediate is an elective course that focuses on assisting our Wildcats in becoming prepared for post-secondary education. The course develops writing, reading, collaboration, inquiry and study habits. This past year, we were fortunate to have the opportunity to visit the MSU Campus and intend on visiting additional campuses before the year is out! Our mission is to



educate and inform students so they are well prepared to tackle their future careers in a fast-paced job market.

# nwea





### February Tip: Preparing for Assessments

Our students will begin testing for various assessments this month and onward. All parents want to see their student perform well in school. Parents play an important part in helping their children give their best performance on a test.

- During the weeks leading up to the test begin to talk with your student about the importance of giving their best effort during testing.
- The night before, help your child get to bed on time. Research shows that being well-rested helps students do better.
- The morning of the test, get up early to avoid rushing. Be sure to have your child at school on time. Have your child eat a good breakfast but not a

heavy one. Research shows that students do better if they have breakfast before they take tests. Be positive about the test. Explain that doing your best is what counts. The important thing is to make your child comfortable and confident. After the test, talk to your child about his or her feelings, making sure you acknowledge the effort such a task requires. Discuss what was easy and what was hard as well as what your child learned from the test.



#### **Book Fair**

The PTSA hosted another successful book fair at Salina Intermediate! We sold many books and were able to raise \$745 to purchase new books for the library! The book fair comes once a year to Salina, this is the perfect opportunity to purchase new books and raise monev for our school library!



# **Boys Basketball**



Salina's junior varsity basketball team played great games this season. Coached by our very own physical education teacher, Mr. Carson, the team finished the season undefeated with a record 10 wins!

Also, congratulations to our varsity team. They finished the season with 5 wins! Thank you Mr. Saif, Mr. Omar and to all the volunteers that supported our students.







All the world is

a stage.

-William

**Shakespeare** 

Theater field trip: Little Orphan Annie

Our students attended an evening at the theater. This year they watched the classical Broadway musical: Little Orphan Annie. This field trip was organized by Mr. Bruce. Almost everyone knows Mr. Bruce, our beloved history teacher that retired last year. Even though he has retired he still remains active and committed to empowering our students. A special thank you

to our admin for transportation and staff for chaperoning. Lastly, thank you Mr. Bruce, actors and actresses at The Catherine A. Daly Theater for inviting us.







# A message from the counselor

Report cards for 6th, 7th and 8th grade will be mailed home sometime next week.

The third card-marking started January 29 and will end March 29. Please make sure you are monitoring your students grades on a weekly basis by checking on Parent connect.

Coffee with the Counselor was

something the parents wanted at the last Principal Parent Forum, so be on the look out for the date.

Please stop by and take a look at the middle school honor roll showcase. Students who receive a 3.0 or higher will be recognized on the T.V. monitors and showcase. Students who receive a 4.0 will have a gold star next to their

name to recognize this wonderful accomplishment.

Henry Ford Early College applications are now available online for students who want to apply. They are due by March 31, 2018.

If you need support with Parent Connect please call
Mrs. Nowak at 313-827-7499.

