



## **Director Report**

**January 2021**

***“Relate. Connect. Understand”***

### **“Micro” Moment:**

*The Micro City Government has developed a new set of laws for the remote learning period since many of our original laws would not be applicable. The Government has decided that these laws will be in effect for as long as remote learning continues. Some examples of these laws include:*

- *Being on time for Google Meet lessons. If you arrive late, do so without disrupting others.*
- *Using kind and respectful words and actions with all students and teachers in both Google Meet and Google Classroom*
- *Using only the resources that your teacher has provided to prevent cheating.*

*President Natalie shared the full list of laws with students during the December Town Hall meeting. We are proud of the government for being flexible and timely to make these necessary additions to the Micro City Laws!*

### **Enrollment Numbers (as of 1/8/21):**

K - 20	5th - 24
1st - 21	6th- 24
2nd- 41	7th- 20
3rd - 46	8th- 19
4th - 24	

Total : 239

### **Upcoming/Recent Happenings at MACS:**

#### Reminders:

Admissions Open Houses for the upcoming 2021-22 school year will be held virtually via Zoom on Wednesday, January 17th at 4:30, Wednesday, February 17th at 6pm. This is for parents of any student wishing to be part of the lottery for the upcoming school year, including parents of siblings/staff/ and board. The lottery is scheduled for March 3rd at 11am and will be held

virtually as well. Anyone interested in attending an Open House will be asked to sign up through our MACS website on the admissions page. A link to the meeting will be sent to those registered prior to the meeting.

MACS staff will be conducting Middle of Year (MOY) progress monitoring assessments this month. We hope to invite students individually to work with staff. For those not comfortable, they will be conducted online. However, the assessments were designed to be done in person, therefore we are offering students to come in via a sign-up in order to get the most accurate data in regards to progress. Regardless of remote or in-person instruction, we want to ensure our students are still learning and achieving adequate progress within the grade level standards.

**MicroSociety Update:**

The middle school students finished up their first LevelUp challenge before the winter break. Students submitted video presentations of original product ideas for judges to score and provide feedback. The first place prize went to 6th Grade Cohort B with the product 'Lava Cubes'. These silicone cubes are filled with sodium acetate and a metal circular disk that you can snap and place in your drink to keep it warm for an extra 30 minutes. Other awesome product ideas included pet friendly household items, an automatic plant hydration system, and charitable awareness bracelets. The students are now using the fully remote learning period to learn about careers in STEM in preparation for their next challenge.

Micro City Businesses are up and running. Contained online production for our K-5 grades have been underway. We can not wait to check out some finished products and see what the online store will have to offer!

**MACS PTO Update:**

We will be hosting an online Scholastic Book Fair from February 8th - February 21st. Details and links will be sent out to parents before the event.

PTO Read-a-thon and Read Across America Celebration week will be held February 22nd - March 5th. The staff and PTO will be organizing fun online activities and events to celebrate reading!

Respectfully Submitted,

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Director