



Director Report

August 2019

“Relate. Connect. Understand”

“Micro” Moment:

We love opportunities for voice and choice. And this past year, the students had an opportunity to vote on what the school hallways should be named in their society, MicroCity. We are excited to announce that the signs FINALLY arrived! When you visit next, take a look around and see the creative names the students picked out such as Founders Way or Lilac Circle. The students were creative when voting on the street names!

Enrollment Numbers (as of 8/14/17):

K - 18	5th - 23
1st - 29 (and counting)	6th- 23
2nd- 42	7th- 22
3rd - 22	8th- 23
4th - 23	

Total : 225 (anticipating 235)

Upcoming/Recent Happenings at MACS:

Amy, Susannah and Barbara have been working hard to get the school ready for its opening. Unpacking, checking in new materials and orders, receiving new student records, updating databases and ensuring all is ready for the staff workshop days. Board members are invited to a staff luncheon on **Thursday, August 29th from 12:00pm - 1:00pm** to help wish new and returning staff a successful school year. Please RSVP to Amy.

Title I summer camp started on August 12th. Students who qualified have been in the building to receive extra instruction in the areas of ELA and Math. This year, we will not run the morning Title program, but rather used the funds to hire a Title Instructor to specifically work with those students during the school day. We are hoping to reach more students who need support as we realize not everyone can make a before school time frame work for their families.

Amy attended the State Board of Education meeting on August 8th. MACS requested to move up the expansion timeline and add an additional first grade classroom for the fall of 2019. The BOE agreed to allow MACS 20 more students for the 19-20 school year, bringing our school capacity to approximately 236. We are excited to announce that Mike Maderville has accepted the new first grade position. We anticipate letting families know which teacher their child will have by the week of August 20th, either Mr. Mandeville or Miss Natale. Welcome to the team Mike!

MicroSociety Update:

We are excited to announce a newly created position, MicroSociety Community Liaison, which has been filled by Jewel Hurt. Jewel attend a MicroSociety School as an elementary aged student and has been interning at MicroSociety Inc. in Philadelphia while she completed her Master's degree. She joins our team this fall to assist the administrative staff with development, fundraising, PTO relations, marketing and all things micro! Welcome Miss Hurt!

Amy and Susannah will be meeting with new staff on August 27th to train them on the fundamentals of Micro. This is a whole day dedicated to just new staff so they can have time to get any questions or concerns answered before students arrive.

Building Update:

We have been busy preparing classroom for the students' arrival. All classrooms have been painted and floors have been waxed. Teachers are anxious to get back in their rooms and prep for the new year.

The staff have started to slowly come back and unpack or help move their classrooms. It's nice to see the building starting to get busy again!

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Bottomley, Director