



Director Report

January 2023

“Relate. Connect. Understand”

“Micro” Moment:

The Micro City Courtroom is not a place where Micro City citizens typically want to find themselves. Theft, vandalism, and even receiving an excessive amount of tickets in a week's time can land a citizen in court. One afternoon, the judges and court clerk were having a conversation about some of the cases they had recently handled. The clerk noted how difficult it must be for some of the citizens to admit what they had done wrong, and also how difficult it must be for witnesses to testify against their peers and sometimes even friends. "It's hard because even though we're friends, you still have to speak the truth. When you can speak the truth even when you've done wrong, though, that's showing love. Truth is love." There you have it, from the mouth of an 8-year-old, inspired by the workings of a MicroSociety: TRUTH IS LOVE. - Susannah Williams

Enrollment Numbers (as of 1/6//2023):

K - 35	5th - 48
1st - 37	6th- 18
2nd- 44	7th- 20
3rd - 44	8th- 10
4th - 46	

Total : 302

Upcoming/Recent Happenings at MACS:

Admissions Open Houses

Open House Information Sessions for the upcoming 2023-24 school year will be held in the Multipurpose Room on Wednesday, January 25th at 4:30, Tuesday, February 23rd 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 public lottery is scheduled for March 8th at 10:00am and will be held at the school. If you know of anyone who might be interested in applying for their child to attend MACS next year, please direct them towards our [Admissions](#) page so they can download the application and sign up for one of the Admissions Information Sessions. For more information please contact the school at info@macsnh.org or by calling the main office at 603-595-7877.

Progress Monitoring

MACS staff will be conducting Middle of Year (MOY) progress monitoring assessments this month. Results help us track student progress to ensure they are progressing at an appropriate rate. Students identified as being below benchmark will receive remedial services designed to help close the achievement gap.

Teacher Evaluations

The Administrative team will be starting formal evaluations through the month of January and February in anticipation of contracts being handed out in April. Formal evaluation consists of observations, pre and post meetings and a formal written evaluation based on walk-throughs conducted throughout the year in conjunction with performance on professional responsibilities, professional goals and student progress.

Family Tech Talk Night Wednesday, January 25th at 7:00pm.- via ZOOM.

Once again, MACS is partnering up with Trend Micro Internet Safety to offer some best practices on how to help kids use the internet in safe and healthy ways. These include tech tips as well as guidelines and exercises parents can use with their kids. Please email Anjali Longan at alongan@macsnh.org if you would like to attend.

MACS Awarded a Grant

MACS was recently awarded the Beyond School Enrichment Grant from the Department of Education in the amount of \$16,215. This grant award comes from the NHDOE and will be used specifically to offer a before school "WIN- What I Need" program for struggling students in the areas of reading, math, social emotional learning and ELL. The program will run from February through May for 3 mornings starting at 8:15am. The program will be by invitation only if your child has been identified as in need for remediation of skills in any of the named areas. Invitations will be going out shortly. A big thank you to Anjali Longan and Susannah Williams who helped secure the grant!

Teacher of the Month

And a special congratulations to the MACS Teacher of the Month- Miss Fisher!

MicroSociety Update:

Business owners and managers are hard at work on their first round of government paperwork. They are using the data they have collected on their ventures over the past month to fill out information on monthly wages, profit and loss, and employee updates. The government will use this information to write tax bills for citizens, business tax bills for business owners, and determine if any ventures are in need of assistance from their government leaders. These managers and owners are also making progress on their annual presentations which will be presented at the end of the school year to share the progress that their ventures and agencies have made on their financial, social, and economic goals.

MACS PTO Update:

Mark your calendars!

1/15 Robotics Competition in Belmont, NH

1/18 PTO Meeting at 12:00 pm - (email alongan@macsnh.org for the Zoom Link)

1/23 National School Choice week

1/25 Scripps National Spelling Bee - final round

1/25 Admissions Open House - first of two

1/25 Free Family Tech Talk (Zoom)

Respectfully Submitted,

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