

Founded on Tradition - Focused on Excellence

Scoop from the Supt

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Students

• The district wants to remind our students and families that the program providing free breakfasts and lunches to all students ended on June 10th. Later this summer, the district will be reminding families to apply for free and reduced meals for the 2022-2023 school year. We don't want to see families who qualify miss out on this important support.

Total Family Size	Scale for Free Meals or Free Milk		Scale for Reduced Price Meals	
	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
1	\$17,667	\$1,473	\$25,142	\$2,096
2	\$23,803	\$1,984	\$33,874	\$2,823
3	\$29,939	\$2,495	\$42,606	\$3,551
4	\$36,075	\$3,007	\$51,338	\$4,279
5	\$42,211	\$3,518	\$60,070	\$5,006
6	\$48,347	\$4,029	\$68,802	\$5,734
7	\$54,483	\$4,541	\$77,534	\$6,462
8	\$60,619	\$5,052	\$86,266	\$7,189

• The district wants to remind all community members that we offer a free preschool program to eligible families. Eligibility for the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) requires that the families income be below 250% of the federal poverty guidelines with priority given to children based on family income. If you have any specific questions about this program or early childhood education, please feel free to contact Ms. Lisa Mellinger at mellingerl@milanareaschools.org or at 734-439-5159.

\$512

\$8,732

\$728

• The Milan High School program in the Federal Corrections Institute (FCI) held their graduation ceremony on Tuesday, July 18th. Eight inmates received their high school diplomas. It is important to note that the Milan FCI is the only federal corrections institute that offers a high school diploma in addition to GED's. The Federal Bureau of Prisons is currently investigating how to replicate our program across the country. The FCI Milan program is fully funded by grants and does not affect the general operating budget of MIlan Area Schools.

Community

• I am sad to share that Gerald Cook, a Milan Area Schools graduate and lifelong Milan resident passed away on July 8th. Jerry supported Milan High School athletics and was inducted into the MHS Athletic Hall of Fame in 2002. More recently, "The Jerry Cook Award" was created by the girls' varsity volleyball program where annually a member of the team is named as a recipient for outstanding performance. I would venture to say that Jerry is in the top 5, if not number one slot, on the list of most Milan Area Schools athletic events attended during a lifetime by a community member.

Board

- The state filing deadline to run for the Milan Area Schools Board of Education is 4:00 PM on July 26th. Candidates must file the required paperwork at the Washtenaw County Clerk's Office.
- In accordance with the timelines provided in state law, Betty Rosen Leacher signed the Acceptance of Office and took the Oath of Office.

General

• The responses from the K12 Insights School Quality Survey for Parents, Campus-based Staff, and Students are being finalized by K12 Insights. Once the district receives the final report, we will share the information with our Administrative Team, the Board of Education, and then the Community (via the district website). We expect the report to be available to everyone prior to the start of the 2022-2023 school year.