

# DLA News

## From the Desk of Dr. Wallace:



### Look at our Eighth Graders!!

#### High School News

7 of our eighth graders were accepted in Chaminade-Julienne and Alter High Schools in January!

The accepted students include:

#### Accepted to Alter

- Alicia West
- Alex Montanari
- Deondre McKinney
- Kamryn Bridges
- Charles Broyles

#### Accepted to CJ & Alter

- Imara Irwin-Debraux
- Terrance Robinson

Good luck to all of our eighth graders as they apply to DECA, Stivers, STEM, Ponitz, Dunbar, Meadowdale, Thurgood Marshall and others in the coming months. We will continue to highlight the high school acceptances of all of our eighth graders.

#### College Promise

Terrance Robinson is a finalist for the Montgomery County College Promise scholarship. Good luck to Terrance in the interview portion of the process!

#### Re-Registration for the 2016-17 school year is underway!!

The process of signing up our current DLA students to “Stay at DLA” has begun. We give our current students **FIRST**

**CHANCE** at the seats available for next school year. So watch for the re-registration packet and make sure to “**SAVE YOUR SEAT**”.

We want to grow our kindergarten again this year encourage your friends and families to enroll at DLA!

#### More Good News

83% of our families and students attended our second quarter conferences. Our goal for third quarter is 90% so mark your calendars for Wednesday, March 23 from 4-7pm and Thursday, March 24 9am-2pm. **Please note third quarter conferences are on Wednesday and Thursday that week because our last day of school before spring break is Wednesday, March 23.**

Our preliminary state test scores from last year place us on average, double the scores of Dayton Public Schools and ABOVE the statewide average of ALL charter public schools in Ohio!

For this year, our internal academic progress assessment, known as i-Ready, shows that our students have made significant progress in reading and math from the beginning of the school year to the end of December. With only 8 weeks to go before state testing in 2016, we are focused on

“**MAKING EVERY MINUTE COUNT**” at DLA! You can help by ensuring that your children are at school each day, on time and take full advantage of our weekly Wednesday after school tutoring and our last two Saturday sessions on **February 6 and March 12 from 9:00am to Noon.**

**Thanks for everything you are doing to help your children work hard at school and complete their homework!!**

**Dr. Wallace,**  
Executive Director



Attendance for the month of January was 93.9% and our school-wide goal is 94.5%. Parents: please make sure that students attend every day and on time. Every minute of the day counts for our students.

Mr. Wright

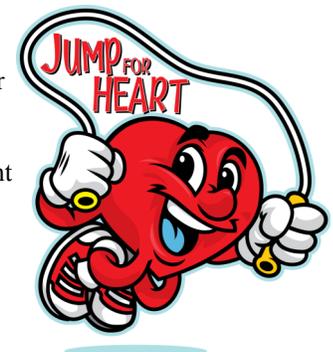
**2/2/16**  
Girls Tournament Basketball 5:30 @ DLA  
Boys Tournament Basketball 6:30 @ DLA

**2/3/16**  
**2/10/16**  
**2/17/16**  
**2/24/16**  
**Wednesday Tutoring**  
3:30—4:30 pm

**2/6/16**  
**Saturday Tutoring**  
9:00—12:00 pm

Jump Rope for Heart will start February 22-26, 2016. Our goal for this year is \$2,000 so please help your child to collect donations for this worthy cause. Please watch for pledge sheets to come home soon.

Ms. Phelps  
Physical Education  
Teacher



## Black History Facts

Black History Month honors the contributions of African Americans to United States history. Did you know that Madam C.J. Walker was America's first self-made woman to become a millionaire or that George Washington Carver was able to derive nearly 300 products from peanuts?

Black History Month began as "Negro History Week," which was created in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, a noted African American historian, scholar, educator, and publisher. It became a month-long celebration in 1976. The month of February was chosen to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln.



**BESSIE COLEMAN WAS THE FIRST  
LICENSED AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
PILOT IN THE WORLD.**

SHE RECEIVED AVIATION  
INSTRUCTION IN FRANCE.

*Black History Month Facts*



**JANET EMERSON BASHEN  
BECAME THE FIRST  
AFRICAN-AMERICAN FEMALE  
TO OBTAIN A SOFTWARE  
PATENT FOR LINKLINE IN  
JANUARY 2006**



## Nurse Jodi Corner

*Thank you to all the students and families who came out to show support for #Antoniostrong at the spaghetti dinner and the Milano's take over!*

*It was a great turn out at each event! Please continue to show our student the love and support of our DLA families!*

*Parents: Be on the look out for Growth and development information for grades 5-8. We are*

*hoping to schedule the sessions soon! Remember to keep an open line of communication going at home with your student about hygiene, puberty and healthy relationships!*

*February is HEALTHY HEART MONTH! It is a great time to begin a healthy diet or fitness regimen! Lifestyle changes can control*



*hypertension and high cholesterol! Jump Rope For Heart will be this month as well! Help your student collect pledges so we can reach our goal this year of \$2,000 to donate to the American Heart Association! Please call Nurse Jodi if you would like any additional information on healthy heart activities or diets!*