

**May
Newsletter**

Dayton Leadership Academies

**Open House
June 4, 2016
11—1:00 pm**

Happy Spring from Dayton Leadership Academies!!

It is hard to believe we are now in our final month of the 2015-16 school year...BUT it means that we will continue to work hard with our students to make sure they finish the year in strong fashion.

Highlights ahead include:

DLA Setting Records!!

DLA is #1 among 38 public schools in Dayton for student growth on the most recent state report card!

Our attendance for the year is almost 94% which is above the local average. Four years ago the attendance was about 88%.

We have reduced the number of tardies per day from 19 to 17 so far this year. Four years ago we averaged about 60 tardies per day.

THANK YOU for making your child's attendance and promptness so important to your family.

Assessments

State assessments concluded in April and we will take our final i-Ready assessments in mid-May (see calendar of events in this newsletter). We are proud of the effort that our students made throughout the very lengthy state assessment weeks. We need a strong final push by students with our May assessments. Our spring i-Ready assessments will determine how much academic growth our students made during the course of this school year. It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that the students do their best so that we get an accurate picture of how much gain they actually made.

Enrollment

We have re-registered most of our current students, our kindergarten numbers are growing and we have substantial interest from new students wishing to enroll at DLA! If you have not yet re-registered, be sure to do so very soon so you can **SAVE YOUR SEAT**.....

Summer Launch

More than 110 DLA students have registered for our 4 week program this summer. We have space for more students so **be sure to get registered SOON!** Summer Launch will feature strong math and reading work every day and every Friday we will have a special program for those with good behavior and good attendance.

Our final school day is Wednesday, May 25 and our first day of Summer Launch is Monday, June 6.

Dr. Wallace

Executive Director



Summer Launch—2016



Dayton Leadership Academies has one of the best summer programs in the city. Four weeks of reading and math sessions that your child can gain will most certainly prepare them for the next school year. So, from June 6—July 1, 2016 for five days a week from 8:30—2:00 pm, your child will receive instruction from DLA teachers, free busing, receive a hot breakfast and lunch and also receive enrichment classes

after their classroom instruction.

What better way to prepare your child for the upcoming school year? Sign your child up for the Summer Launch program and you will see the difference four weeks of instruction will do for them.

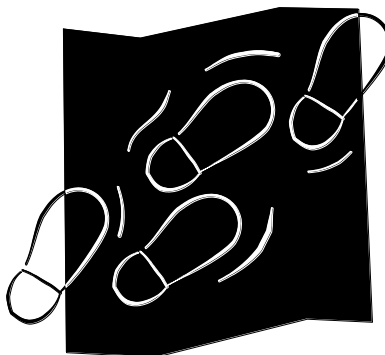
Contact DLA at (937) 567-9426 for registration.

It's Hard to Say Goodbye

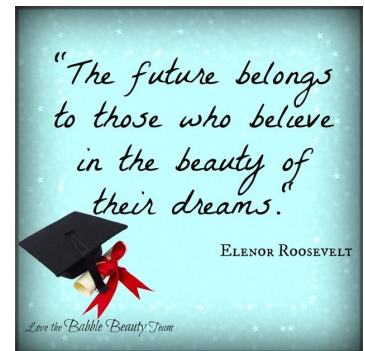
The end of a school year can be quite exciting. We are able to reflect and celebrate the many successes and begin planning to address challenges during the next school year. We end with festivities, both for students and staff. Along with this, though, is a tough reality we must say goodbye. Although we know it is a reality of seeing our students grow, physically and academically, it can still be emotional. The staff naturally thinks of all they have done to support the whole child, each child, and the progress they have made. One of the things which makes the end of the year bearable is knowing our students will go on to our colleagues who will continue to support our students like we did.

The staff here at Dayton Leadership Academies wish all of our students the very best and look forward to seeing you for the upcoming school year. To

our 8th grade students we salute you and wish you much success. We challenge you to never forget where you came from and feel free to walk back through the doors of Dayton Leadership Academies to encourage the students that you have left to follow in your footsteps. Continue to stand tall, walk upright and most of all soar like an eagle!



Paving the way for future eaglets



Avoid the "Summer Slide" and stay active.

For you to Know....

- May 2-6, 2016 - DLA Teacher Appreciation
- May 9—19, 2016 - i-Ready Assessments
- May 4, 11, 2016 - Wednesday Tutoring
- May 13, 2016 - Kids Read Now Application (Grades K-3) due
Receive up to 8 **FREE** books this summer
- May 16-20, 2016 - Sprit Week
 - 5/16 - Dress to Impress Day
 - 5/17 - Nerd Day
 - 5/18 - Super Hero Day
 - 5/19 - College Gear Day
 - 5/20 - DLA Day
- May 20, 2016 - Talent Show
- May 23-24, 2016 - Field Day
- May 25, 2016 - Kindergarten Recognition @ 9:00 am
8th Grade Recognition @ 5:00 pm
- May 25, 2016 - Last Day of School

Did you Know?

That Dr. Wallace, Mrs. Asinjo and Mr. Wright will return to DLA for the 2016-17 school year? Joining them on the Administrative Team will be Mrs. Yerman who will serve as Assistant Principal for Student Services which includes our Special Education program.

Seize the Summer: Keep Kids Active & Engaged in Learning

Did you know? Students can experience learning loss when they do not engage in educational activities during the summer months. On average, students lose the equivalent of two months of math and reading skills during the summer months. More than half of the achievement gap between lower and higher-income youth can be explained by unequal access to summer learning opportunities.

This summer, let's work to change that. Together, parents and guardians can help give our children the best foundation for the upcoming school year.

Stay Engaged

Encourage reading all summer long. This will help prevent the "summer slide" and provide benefits that can be seen year-round.

Be Creative

Summer is the perfect time to let your child's imagination run wild and stimulate creativity. Kids.gov provides resources for arts and crafts projects that will keep children engaged and their minds active while having fun.

Stay Active & Healthy

In addition to academic risks, children can also be at an increased risk of weight gain when they are out of school during the summer months. Take advantage of the warmer weather and keep youth active outdoors.

Did You Know

Current parents will earn \$100 for referring a student for grades 1-8 and \$200 for a Kindergartner.