



Happy New Year 2024!

PROGRAM REMINDERS

ACES AFTER HOURS CONTACT

- Parents will be notified through the school district's message system if the buses are running late, or if there is a delay.
- Parents and/or guardians with concerns or an issue about the PM ACES Bus after 5:35PM should first contact Integrity Bus Company at (609) 965-8100 for an update on bus status. If a situation arises after hours that cannot be addressed by Integrity, parents can email Mrs. Barbara Rheault, 21stCCLC Director, at: brheault@mullicschools.com. Mrs. Rheault will be "off-the-clock", however that email will be monitored for questions and concerns after the ACES Program has been dismissed for the day.

AM Morning ACES Program (7AM-8:30AM)

- Your child must be signed into our program between the hours of 7AM-8AM.
- Parent/Adult must report to the Main Entrance Vestibule to sign-in your child(ren). An ACES Staff Member will be at that entrance to welcome your child.

PM Afternoon ACES Program (3:35PM-5:30PM).

- First Day of Cycle 2 is January 8, 2024.
- Children may be signed out of our PM Afternoon Program at the Front Desk anytime after 3:45PM and before 5:25PM.
- Parents are reminded that PM ACES students must be signed out by 5:25PM.
- Students not picked up by 5:25PM will be sent home on their assigned 5:30PM Courtesy Bus.

FUN FRIDAYS - JANUARY

- **January 12th - PainTzaA Night 4PM - 5:30PM - Cafeteria**
 - Parents are welcome to join with our ACES students in an afternoon/early evening of winter painting fun! AtlantiCare Art Therapist Elana Mallov will provide guided instruction to complete a winter moon and snow scene. ***Parents interested in attending need to RSVP by emailing brheault@mullicschools.com to reserve a seat. Special THANKS to the Mullica Township PTA for providing pizza for attendees.***
- **January 26th - International Dance Day 4PM - 5:30PM - Cafeteria**
 - Students will spend Fun Friday learning about International Dances and cultural dance styles from AtlantiCare's Kelly Connors, a Healthy Schools Specialist and Dance Instructor. Students will get their fitness on as we learn the moves and dance to multi-cultural beats.

MONTHLY PARENT /FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

- **January 24th - Meditation & Mindful Movement Workshop - 5PM - 6:45PM - Cafeteria**
 - Parents, MTSD Staff and Adult Community Members are welcome to attend an adult school community workshop lead by educator and Peace Circle/Mindfulness Consultant Carolyn Corbi. Peace Circles and meditation intentionally create a space that lifts internal and external barriers between people, opening fresh possibilities for connection, collaboration and mutual understanding and well-being. Participants will engage in mindful practice and movement activities.

FIELD TRIP

- Our next field trip is scheduled for January 19th and takes place during the school day. Students will travel to The Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, PA. They will tour the museum and attend a special FI Demonstration show on combustion. Student eligibility to participate in this trip is based on regular attendance in the ACES Program (45+ days) and a record of positive behavior, with NO disciplinary incidents or reports during the school day, as well as ACES. Only 60 seats are available for eligible students. Parents will sign-up their child for the trip through a PAPER RSVP/Reservation Form. This form will be given ONLY to eligible students. Forms will be distributed the week of January 8, 2024.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Nita M. Lowey 21stCCLC Mullica Township School ACES Program provides Mullica Township resident students in Grades 3-12 with quality “out of school time” academic support, instructional programs, and activities. Mullica ACES collaborates with grant-approved organizations and community groups to provide a safe environment where opportunities in academic remediation and enrichment, positive youth development, culture and the arts, health, nutrition & fitness, and physical activity - as well as opportunities for parental involvement - are offered. In addition, ACES also provides positive social and emotional experiences to promote the academic success of all students.

All ACES Programming is intentionally designed to provide our students with a broad array of experiences to complement and supplement the regular school day academic programs and school services. Parent Programs and Workshops will also be offered. AM Morning and PM Afternoon ACES will:

- infuse SEL and life skill opportunities into our programs.
- incorporate more "physical movement for life" activities.
- provide remediation and enrichment opportunities to support student learning.
- expand STE(A)M offerings through added robotics, coding, and problem-solving opportunities.
- Promote student voice and equity in education.

ACES CONTACT INFORMATION

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