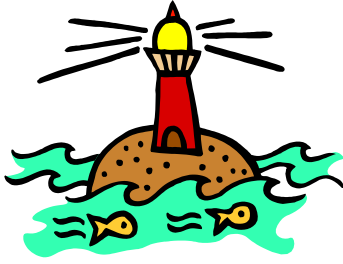


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## MLCS Blogspot: How do MLCS scholars use math on a daily basis outside of school?

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### Upcoming Events:

Sept. 30: Town Hall K-4  
9:00 am, 5-7 2:00 pm

Oct. 7: End of 1st  
Quarter

Oct. 10-21: Fall Break

Oct. 21: Parent/  
Teacher Conf. Day

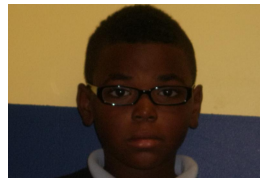
By Airron Green and  
Aaron Jackson



Nasyr Taylor from Miss Hacker's first grade class states, "I use math to keep track of the days of the week."



Jamiyah Willis from Mrs. Drake's 1<sup>st</sup> grade class proclaims, "I do math homework everyday, but I mostly use math outside of school by counting how many groceries my mom buys."



Tyler Bell from Mrs. Bennett's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class says, "When I play basketball, I use math angles to figure out how high and hard I should shoot the ball."



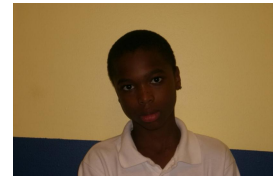
Rainy Clayton from Miss Kline's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class exclaims "I practice math by counting the cars that go by."



Jimmie Darbone from Miss Cooper's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class states, "If you want to pay your bills on time, you have to use exceptional math skills!"



Payton Conaway from Mrs. Manifold's 5<sup>th</sup> grade class says, "I see my mom buying pizza and I try to cut them into fractions so my family gets an equal portion."



Aldeon Simms from Mrs. Rockensuess's class states, "I use money when I'm going to buy a new pair of shoes. I use decimals to calculate how much change I should receive."



Khalisha Walker from Mrs. Bush's 7<sup>th</sup> grade class states, "I use math when I need to calculate a percentage off a new outfit."



# The Dangers of FaceBooking

By Stephanie Diaz-Mu oz

While many teens and children enjoy being on FaceBook, they also do not realize the dangers that FaceBooking can present. Firstly, anyone under the age of 18 is not allowed to have a FaceBook account without parental consent in some states. Secondly, children as young as 13 are not permitted to use FaceBook under any circumstances or parents can be legally held accountable.

Scholars can expose themselves to any number of dangers FaceBooking such as violation of the right to privacy, child predators, bullying,

and embarrassment.

For example, many scholars like to bring their cell phones to school and take pictures of their friends thinking that the rule about cell phones at school is stupid. What they do not realize is that some scholars post these pictures on FaceBook not knowing that posting someone's picture under the age of 18 without written parental consent can be considered a felony in some states. All FaceBook legalities are handled by the state of Delaware, not the Indiana judicial system.

It is recommended that before creating a FaceBook page for a scholar,

parents read the FaceBook Terms of Service (TOS) carefully so they know what rights they are giving up for the scholar. For more information, see the FaceBook Terms of Service or visit <http://www.pilgrimworks.com/Facebook.htm>.



# Football Frenzy!

The Indianapolis Colts and the Pittsburgh Steelers met in a nationally televised game last Sunday night at the Lucas Oil Stadium. The Colts produced three big defensive plays in the second quarter and had the Pittsburgh Steelers on the run.

All the momentum seemed to be with the Colts until the offensive maneuvers stalled and back-up QB, Kerry Collins, was benched for a possible concussion. Third-string quarterback, Curtis Painter,

came in and directed an 80-yard touchdown drive to tie the game in the fourth quarter. This was a marvelous comeback, but sadly, not enough to give Colts fans a solid win. The Steelers beat the Colts in the last two minutes by a field goal. However, the defense was explosive and promising leaving fans with a sense of accomplishment.

The next game on the Colts schedule is Colts @ Tampa Bay, 10/03 on Monday Night Football. Kick off is 8:30 pm!



# MLCS is Exemplary!!!!

By Nachele Jackson

Lighthouse was founded in November 2003 by our President and CEO, Michael Ronan. As the network continues to grow, it celebrates successes such as Monument Lighthouse being graded an exemplary school in 2010 by the Indiana Department of Education. MLCS scholars and educators worked hard to earn this honor. MLCS also made adequate yearly progress (AYP) in 2009.

Because of such monumental growth, MLCS is now the cream of the crop of public charter schools in the state. Not only is MLCS an arts-infused school, but it is also a college prep institution where educators prepare students for their futures.

Since MLCS is consistently making progress now, it has become a highly sought after school where parents put their children on a waiting list for a spot. Lighthouse Acad-

emies is spreading across the nation with endeavors in other states such as Illinois, Oklahoma, and Arkansas.



# About Title I Coordinator, Mrs. Miller

By Jayla Wilson

Title I teacher, Mrs. Miller, holds a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Ball State University. One of her goals for this school year is to help students make their personal and educational goals. Mrs. Miller is inspired by an intrinsic motivation to help children succeed. When asked why she wanted to be an educator, she answered, "It was a combination of teachers that I had in school that were nurturing and caring. They

pushed me to my full potential. Lastly, I asked her why her job was so important. She responded by informing me that Title I helps students that struggle to remain up to speed in the fast pace of MLCS classrooms.

Mrs. Miller also spent one year as a Reading First coach for IPS before coming to MLCS. Her professional goal is to continue to be a life learner and to share new strategies with aspiring educators.



# Manifold's Math Mastery

By Teriyana Shelton

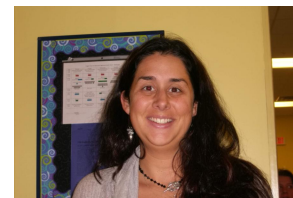
Mrs. Manifold is a 5<sup>th</sup> grade math teacher here at Lighthouse Academy. Mrs. Manifold makes math fun for kids by making up math songs, creating lots of hands-on projects, and handing out wipe boards and manipulatives!

Mrs. Manifold believes math is very important because it is a lifetime skill. Scholars can use math for grocery shopping, clothing shopping, and their future careers! When

asked how she inspires scholars, she states a famous quote, "Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind."

Although most scholars think math is difficult, it is a skill they use throughout their entire lives. No matter what one is doing it will probably consist of at least a little math. Mrs. Manifold encourages scholars to ask a lot of questions in class and feels math does not have to be a hard subject to master.

People that use math at their jobs are accountants, agriculturists, architects, biologists, chemists, computer programmers, engineers, geologists, lawyers, managers, medical doctors, meteorologists, military personnel, nurses, politicians, technicians, and teachers.



Try not to become a man of success but rather a man of value. - Albert Einstein





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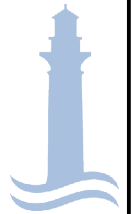
## History and Vision

### History

Lighthouse Academies was founded in November 2003 by our current President and CEO, Michael Ronan. Our first school, Bronx Lighthouse Charter School, opened its doors in September 2004 to 128 students. In the first five years, LHA has developed, opened and is operating public charter schools in four states and the District of Columbia. Since our inception, Lighthouse Academies has been supported by generous grants from the Doris and Donald Fisher Fund, New Schools Venture Fund (NSVF) and the Walton Family Foundation. Lighthouse Academies is a member of the NSVF Community of Practice, sharing our experiences with other education entrepreneurs who share our passion and mission.

### Why "Lighthouse"?

The Lighthouse is a symbol of hope and security. Our mission gives hope to parents for a brighter future for their children. Our vision extends the hope and security into the future.



### Your MLCS

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