

Key Services

Provided by Muskegon Area
Intermediate School District
2006-2007



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The MAISD enjoys a strong working partnership with Muskegon Public Schools (MPS). Together we maximize resources, share best practices, solve problems, and save time and money. **Mr. Colin Armstrong** served on the MAISD Superintendents' Negotiations, Special Education, Technology Advisory, and General Education committees. Staff from MPS joined business directors, human resource managers, principals, teachers, curriculum directors, technology directors, media specialists, Title I staff, early childhood staff, nurses, transportation, and maintenance/operations directors from throughout the county for professional development, networking, regular meetings, and problem solving facilitated by the MAISD.

This report was created to highlight the many ways MPS partnered with the MAISD during the most recently completed 2006-07 school year.

All Information Based on the 2006-07 School Year

Total Dollars Transferred

The dollars transferred to MPS for the 2006-07 school year from federal, state and local funds through the MAISD totaled **\$7,641,374**.

Special Education	\$ 5,053,530
Career & Technical Education	\$ 1,240,117
Head Start	\$ 1,201,761
General Education	\$ 145,966

Special Education

During the 2006-07 school year, MAISD services reached **1,162** MPS special education students.

56 MPS students with severe impairments attended programs at Wesley School. Of those students, **17** (ages 17-26) benefited from a transition classroom experience that included critical life skills. MPS staff received **\$230** in special education mini-grants.

Medicaid Reimbursement

The MAISD helped MPS recapture dollars used to serve some special education students through a program with Medicaid. For 2006-07, MPS received **\$732,422** in Medicaid Reimbursements.

Technology

The Regional Educational Media Center (REMC) provided audiovisual and technology services, plus economy-of-scale purchasing. MPS staff borrowed **1,020** media items from the MAISD Discovery Center.

Technology continued...

MPS saved **\$103,164 (30%)** off educational pricing on its purchases.

21 school staff members attended technology professional development sessions, including *Creating an Online Extension of Your Classroom or Library Media Center*, *Reaching Standards through Digital Storytelling*, and *Michigan E-Rate Program*.

Instructional Management

Technology Services managed **7,049** MPS student records, generated report cards, and provided training and support to MPS staff. In addition, the MAISD managed **1,556** MPS employee records and generated pay checks/deposit slips.

An annual **\$800,000** MAISD contribution kept instructional management costs lower than that of any other ISD offering the same breadth of services.

For more information

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Instructional Services

MPS staff took advantage of **43** instructional and special education professional development programs offered by the MAISD in 2006-07 including:

- *Muskegon Area Middle School Mathematics Improvement*
- *State Improvement Grant—Adequate Yearly Progress*
- *Data Conversations that Change Performance*
- *Writing Units of Study*
- *Michigan Model (Health)*
- *Michigan Merit Exam*
- *DTE Freshwater Institute*
- *Michigan Environmental Education Curriculum Support*
- *The New Michigan School Improvement Framework*

In addition, MPS educators received on-site training for:

- **60** *Teacher In-Service* at the high school regarding the design of a writing rubric that can be used for school-wide writings
- **24** *Teacher In-Service* at Nims regarding *English Language Arts Content Expectations*
- Prepping high school staff for *REAL Science* involvement
- One-on-one consultations with principals regarding writing professional development
- Training and support for *MiBLSi, Michigan's Integrated Learning and Behavior Support Initiative*
- Assistance for **8** special education teachers with the requirements of the *High School Content Expectations and Michigan Merit Exam*
- Technical support for *MEAP Review Sessions* for high school students

Early Childhood

- Muskegon Public Schools enrolled **358** students in Head Start[®] in 2006-07. The MAISD serves as the federal grantee for the free preschool program for income-eligible students.
- **40** MPS staff attended the Early Childhood Conference.
- Early On[®] served **102** children under age three and their families.



*On the Right: Javonnia Williams
MPS student enrolled in Rehab Tech*

Career and Technical Education

Career and technical education programs were chosen by **90** MPS students who attended one of **20** different courses provided by the Muskegon Area Career Tech Center (MACTC). **358** MPS students toured the MACTC in 2006-07.

MPS Student Involvement

- **425** fourth grade students played their recorders along with the *West Shore Symphony*
- **400** high school students participated in the *Reality Store*
- **379** students and staff attended an educational concert by Somali multicultural artists *Ilays*
- **379** students attended *Little Red Walking Hood*, an opera written for children
- **210** students attended the *High School Career Fair*
- **201** students participated in the *Arts & Humanities Fish Pin Project*
- **189** students took part in one of three programs offered by the *MAISD Regional Mathematics and Science Center*
- **33** students exhibited their artwork at the annual *Student Art Exhibit* at the Muskegon Museum of Art

Pupil Accounting

The MAISD assisted MPS in maximizing State Aid revenues, provided official pupil accounting auditing services, training, and consultation regarding current laws, rules, and procedures. In 2006-07, MAISD staff performed on-site audits in **5** MPS buildings.