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From the Director's Desk...



The great Russian novelist Leo Tolstoy once said that, "Spring is the time of plans and projects." Many of you have just begun or will soon begin your Spring Break. As we make the transition from winter to spring, we are entering a busy time for schools. The State and NWEA testing windows are just around the corner, as well as numerous preparations for the upcoming school year. All this is in addition to culminating activities to this academic year with projects, celebrations, and graduations. Please make sure you include some much earned personal rest and relaxation to carry you through the home stretch. Your students need you to be at your best.

Dr. Ronald S. Rizzo
Director of Charter Schools

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Greetings from the Associate Director



New Policies and Procedures for Public Schools

I began a summary of some of the new school-related legislation in the last newsletter. As promised, I will share...

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Assessment News



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Ferris State University Charter Schools Office News Release-Accepting Applications

The Ferris State University Charter Schools Office (CSO) is accepting applications for a Public School Academy, Part 6a, or Strict Discipline Academy as per the Revised School Code. Applicants are asked to e-mail the CSO at charter@ferris.edu to request an application packet. Please include:

- Applicant Name
- Applicant Contact Info
- Applicant E-mail Address
- Proposed Academy Name

A read-only version of the application packet is available on the CSO website: www.ferris.edu/charterschools. Contact Sue Lewis with questions about the application process at (231) 591-5802 or e-mail SusanLewis@ferris.edu.

The Ferris State University Charter Schools Office is not yet accredited and therefore cannot authorize academies in the City of Detroit.

Art Willick, Congratulations!



Congratulations to Art Willick for 20 years of service as field representative for Ferris State University Charter Schools Office.

Congratulations

15th Annual Spring Briefing



On March 21, the Charter Schools Office (CSO) hosted its 15thAnnual Spring Briefing at the DoubleTree Hotel Detroit-Dearborn. Over...

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Congratulations Clara B. Ford Academy!



We are pleased to announce that at their meeting held on February 10, 2017, the Ferris State University Board of Trustees reauthorized Clara B. Ford Academy for an additional five years. The new Clara B. Ford Academy contract will run to 2022. Congratulations!

Ferris State University
Women's Basketball Team Visits
Creative Technologies Academy



Members of the Ferris State University Women's Basketball Team recently...

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Michigan Connections Academy Named
Top Performing Cyber
School



The 2017 Mackinac Center for Public Policy recently released its 2017 Performance Report Card listing **Michigan Connections Academy** (MICA) in Okemos as the top performing fully cyber school in the State of Michigan. Congratulations to all the staff and the Board of MICA for the fine work!

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School Leadership Institute



On Friday, March 3, 2017, the Charter Schools Office hosted a School Leadership Institute featuring...

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Scholarship Fund



College is an investment in your future, and whether or not to attend college is one of the most important decisions you will make in your lifetime. College is also expensive. For this reason, the...

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Our Mission

FSU Mission

Ferris State University prepares students for successful careers, responsible citizenship, and lifelong learning. Through its many partnerships and its career-oriented, broad-based education, Ferris serves our rapidly changing global economy and society.

CSO Mission

The Ferris State University Charter Schools Office focuses on student success and continuous improvement through quality oversight, professional learning opportunities, and relevant resources for its authorized public school academies.

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It's Spring, Let's Play Bulldogs!

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