



Montcalm County

Montcalm County Great Start Collaborative

Agenda

4/5/23

11:30am - 1:30pm

Meeting in Person at MAISD 621 New St Stanton

- I. Call to order:
- II. Welcome & Introductions:
- III. Public Comment:
- IV. April Agenda Approval:
- V. February Meeting Minutes Approval:
- VI. Director Report: Cari O'Connor
- VII. New Business:
 - A. Highlight Presentation
 - A. Maternal Infant Health Program & Welcome Baby: Jennifer Peterman
 - B. Budget Process: <https://mlpp.org/budget-basics/>
- VIII. Old Business:
 - A. Dolly Parton Imagination Library update
 - B. Early On Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC): Elizabeth Buskirk
 - C. Talking is Teaching Update: Monique Cooper
- IX. Committee Reports:
 - A. Executive & Communication: Jessica Higley
 - B. Early Care & Education: Mindy Train
 - C. Family Wellness: Karen Marsman
 - D. Parent Leadership & Talking is Teaching: Monique Cooper
- X. Roundtable Updates
- XI. Principals of Collaboration Survey
- XII. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: June 7th, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm Location 621 New St Stanton MI 48888

**Please see our website for the most updated calendar information at www.GreatStartMontcalm.org.

*Advance health equities.
Early Childhood services meet high standards of quality.
Children prenatal to age five and their families thrive.*



Montcalm County

Montcalm County Great Start Collaborative

Minutes

2/1/23

11:30am - 1:30pm

Meeting in Person at MAISD 621 New St Stanton

I. Call to order:

Meeting was called to order at 11:32 am by Jessica Higley

II. Welcome & Introductions:

Present: Stephanie Barone, Alisha Bartlett, Abbey Blondin, Janel Boulis, Elizabeth Buskirk, Renae Caudill, Monique Cooper, Cindy DeYoung, Samantha Ford, Jessica Higley, Liz Ingraham, Sue Kearney, Karen Marsman, Anita McIntyre, Lillie McNeill, Cari O'Connor, Jennifer Peterman, Nancy Secor, Drew Train, Mindy Train, Joanna Urban

III. Public Comment:

None

IV. February Agenda Approval:

A motion was made by Abby Blondin and supported by Renae Caudill to approve the agenda of the February 1, 2023 meeting as presented, Motion was carried.

V. December Meeting Minutes Approval:

A motion was made by Renae Caudill and supported by Janel Boulis to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2022, meeting as presented, Motion was carried.

VI. Director Report: Cari O'Connor

2023-2024 Preschool application: 2022-23 application and 2023-2024 application are live online. If you have not put the application on your social media or shared it on Facebook (link or web address) please do so to encourage preschool participation! As of 1/4/23 we have enrolled 370 children. We will be sending slots back to MDE if we are not able to enroll 14 more students. Only specific districts have opening at this point: Greenville & MACC

Newsletter & Social Media messaging opportunities: One resource you can share with families is the MCGSC newsletter. Please connect with Mindy if you are interested in signing up or getting information on how to support families to sign up for the newsletter!

2022-2023 GSRP Fiscal Audit: Received compliance plan regarding MAISD fiscal department written policies. All other areas complied so no change in practice was recommended.

Think Babies Michigan: Capitol Day. Organizing Montcalm County's participation in Early Childhood Capitol Day March 15th, 2023, in Lansing! Anyone want to join? Contact US!

Montcalm Prevention Collaborative: March 3rd: Compassion Cures Event & Normalizing Narcan policy paper

February is Dental Health Awareness Month: The MCGSC is continuing to partner with Alpha Family Center to host our annual Tooth Fairy event. Families will be able to get pictures with the Tooth Fairy, receive free dental supplies, & a dental swag bag! The event is Free. Please share the information with your families.

Advance health equities.

Early Childhood services meet high standards of quality.

Children prenatal to age five and their families thrive.

Montcalm County Great Start website: Please share in your own messaging networks.
GreatStartMontcalm.org

EMTF and EMTF State Leadership: What is the EMTF: Early Mathematics Task Force which are centered on Essential #5: Cognitively Demanding Tasks. Newly Launched Essential 5 professional learning modules on Edu Path Now! MAISD math data:

Talking is Teaching Posters: If anyone has any connections with local businesses in their community and would like to make the ask for them to hang Talking is Teaching posters, we would appreciate the support! We would ask for someone to take a picture of the poster in the business and share with us so we can promote on Facebook & Instagram. Thank you in advance for your support of this program.

April 5th board meeting: Are we still all in for having the MCGSC board meeting that week? Week of Spring Break

Shout outs & Celebrations:

If you are in the area and or know who Lee Ann London, widow of Dr John London (Lakeview) provided a significant contribution to our Dolly Parton Imagination Library Fund through the Greenville Area Community Foundation. This moves us one step closer to long term stability for Montcalm County!

VII. New Business:

A. Highlight Presentation: Alpha Family Services- Karen Marsman

PowerPoint attached.

B. MI Math Vision & Survey

Early Math Vision <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GQEUXY6WWO4&t=16s>
Hanover Research is conducting a study about perceptions of PreK-5 Mathematics teaching and learning and would like to get your opinion. https://hanover-research.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9HLxM9c2T8RaogS

VIII. Old Business:

A. Dolly Parton Imagination Library update

Currently 1200 children enrolled, currently working on annual report, donation was through the <https://imaginationlibrary.com/> site, just remember when donations are made through the site a small fee is taken from the donation amount.

B. Early On Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC): Cindy DeYoung

Report attached.

C. Talking is Teaching Update: Monique Cooper

Created 2022 TisT calendar, handed out to all GSRP students, childcare providers, Head Start/Early Head Start children, library event, tooth fairy event and playgroup children.

IX. Committee Reports:

A. Executive & Communication: Jessica Higley

Did not meet in January.

B. Early Care & Education: Mindy Train

Friday, February 3 event at Flat River library, will have stories, crafts, and snacks. Currently seeking a keynote speaker for our September Early Childhood conference, if you know of one, please let us know.

C. Family Wellness: Karen Marsman

February is dental month, MCGSC in partnership with Alpha Family Services, Montcalm Care Network, and community dental grants will be hosting a Tooth Fairy event on February 11th at Frugthaven Farms. FREE hot cocoa, donuts, books, crafts, games, story time, face painting, and dental supplies for children. Please dress warm,

D. Parent Leadership & Talking is Teaching: Monique Cooper

February 13 to talk about stressors with parenting. We know being parents, childcare providers, foster parents, grandparents, etc. can be very hard at times! Dinner and childcare are provided. Each family will receive a gas card. 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm at the MACC

*Advance health equities.
Early Childhood services meet high standards of quality.
Children prenatal to age five and their families thrive.*

X. Roundtable Updates

- Jessica Higley- Families who receive food assistance through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). February will be the last month that people in Michigan and other states receive the extra food assistance benefits – which have been at least \$95 more per month. In March the additional benefits will no longer be issued. The Medicaid Continuous Coverage Rule Is Ending in April 2023 and You will need to update your information with MDHHS to keep Medicaid coverage. The phone system will be updated to a customer-based system, a call will go to an assistant, then if they are not able to answer the client's questions, the call will then go to their case worker. Eventually clients won't have a case worker.
- Sam Ford- Free tax appointments happening, covering Ionia, Montcalm, Gratiot, Clinton, and Eaton counties.
- Abby Blondin- Support crisis line is 24/7. February is teen dating violent awareness month- focusing on healthy relationships.
- Sue Kearney- May 6th is Family Fun Day at the MACC, in need of vendors.
- Lillie McNeil- Wrapping up rebranding, quality rating system has moved to a quality recognition system.
- Stephanie Barone- Sworn in two new volunteers, supporting 5 cases.
- Janel Boulis- Handicap lift bus is being used in Gratiot, hoping to order 3 more, to have in each county.

XI. Principals of Collaboration Survey

- What comes to mind when you think of a math doer?
 - Someone who completes any sort of math problems.
 - Some math was do able for me, the other parts I just shut down
 - Everyday life involves math, we are all math doers, even if we don't realize it.
 - Can be more than a worksheet, it can be fun and exciting
 - Excited about this initiative
 - Change math mindset for adults teaching children.
 - Great conversation, video seem to make math more doable.
- Questions/Feedback for Alpha Family Services
 - Love all the free services offered for families.
 - Thank you for all you do for our community.
- Do you have a need for Talking is Teaching materials?
 - Poster for United Way
 - RAVE- posters on emotions
 - DHHS- 2 more large posters for visiting room, anything prevention workers could give to families.
- Future Highlight Presentation Suggestions
 - We Care for Kids
 - CASA
 - Rotary
 - Immigration- Fentanyl- any local impacts
 - MIHP
- Other Comments
- Lunch Voting for April's meeting
 - 8 votes for taco bar
 - 4 votes for pizza
 - 1 vote for salad bar

XII. Adjournment

Adjourned at 12:58 pm

Next Meeting Date: April 5th, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm Location 621 New St Stanton MI 48888

**Please see our website for the most updated calendar information at www.GreatStartMontcalm.org.

Advance health equities.

Early Childhood services meet high standards of quality.

Children prenatal to age five and their families thrive.



Summary of Fund Activity
Dolly Parton Imagination Library Fund - # 00198

Fund Statement: 1/1/2022 through 12/31/2022

Historic Gifts or Corpus Accounts	10,218.00
Available to Spend	371.70

Beginning Fund Balance	14,052.59
-------------------------------	------------------

Revenue

Contributions	1,100.00
Pledges	0.00
Interest and Dividend Income	697.89
Appreciation of Assets	(3,207.01)
Interfund Gifts	0.00
Total Revenue	(1,405.04)

Expenses

Grants Authorized	0.00
Administrative Fees	(140.00)
Total Expenses	(144.08)

Total Change In Fund Balance	(1,549.12)
------------------------------	------------

Ending Fund Balance	12,503.47
----------------------------	------------------

Gift Summary

<u>Donor:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
Ms. Caryl Hackett	03/01/22	1,000.00
Ms. Alison Barberi	06/02/22	100.00



**Don't forget to REFER today for any infant or toddler you have concerns about!
ANYONE can refer.**

Go to: www.1800Earlyon.org or call 1-800-EarlyOn

MAISD Early On LICC Report: April 5, 2023

Comparison Referral Data

	2017-18 Referrals	2018-19 Referrals	2019-20 Referrals	2020-21 Referrals	2021-22 Referrals	2022-2023 Referrals
July	16	30	35	20	28	9
August	27	40	33	16	26	38
September	24	13	25	24	30	27
October	17	24	19	32	24	19
November	12	17	12	11	34	33
December	8	17	21	18	14	20
January	15	22	35	30	32	26
February	29	35	34	23	28	23
March	26	26	25	25	38	18*
April	31	34	14	31	26	
May	17	32	10	22	24	
June	24	25	16	24	33	
TOTAL	229	315	279	266	337	

*as of March 23, 2023

As of March 23, 2023 Montcalm Area ISD Early On has:

- 19 Children in Referral
- 142 Children enrolled and receiving Early On Services.
- 30 of 142 students receiving Early On are ALSO receiving special education services (Michigan Mandated Special Education MMSE).

Professional Learning:

We look forward to April when we have Melanie Potock coming to an all day training with Early On staff regarding picky eating and nutrition.

Staff spent professional development time in March discussing and learning about evaluation tools, considering MMSE eligibility and writing quality IFSP goals.

Playgroups:

Playgroups run through the week of May 8. We have some fun activities planned for the summer! Details and flyers will be available soon.

Social Media:

Follow us on Social Media to learn how to make a referral and get information about your child's development.



RESOURCES:

Check us out on Social Media



Montcalm Co. Playgroup

Private group



MAISD Early On

- Need more developmental wheels, Early On Pamphlets or other Materials? Email Elizabeth Buskirk at ebuskirk@maisd.com
- Interested in having an Early On Staff Member come speak to your organization? Email Cindy DeYoung at cdeyoung@maisd.com



~COME PLAY WITH US~
FREE Playgroup Opportunity in Montcalm County
for Parents & Children!



Any family with children from ages birth thru 4 years old living in Montcalm Area Intermediate School District is welcome to attend.

Registration is preferred prior to attending. Call (616) 225-6146 to register or for more information.

Highlights

- *Try new activities with your child that will stimulate your child's development!
- *Learn songs and read books (receive a copy of each book to keep)
- *Interact with other parents and children!
- *Learn strategies to use at home and have access to Early Childhood professionals to ask questions.

Book of the Month

September- Llama Llama Red Pajama
 October- There's a Monster in Your Book
 November- Pete the Cat's Big Lunch
 December- If You Give a Mouse a Cookie

January- Little Critter Just a Snowman
 February- Wild Feelings
 March- Clifford the Big Red Dog
 April- Ten Pigs Epic Bath
 May- There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed the ABCs

Tri County Middle School 21350 Kendaville Rd Howard City, MI 49329 Tuesday Morning 9:30am – 11:00am September - 20 th , 27 th October - 11 th , 18 th , 25 th November - 1 st , 8 th , 29 th December - 6 th , 13 th January - 10 th , 17 th , 24 th , 31 st February - 14 th , 21 st , 28 th March - 7 th , 14 th , 21 st April - 18 th , 25 th May - 2 nd , 9 th	Montabella Elementary 1456 North County Line Rd Blanchard, MI 49310 Wednesday Morning 9:30am – 11:00am September - 21 st , 28 th October - 12 th , 19 th , 26 th November - 2 nd , 9 th , 30 th December - 7 th , 14 th January - 11 th , 18 th , 25 th February - 1 st , 15 th , 22 nd March - 1 st , 8 th , 15 th , 22 nd April - 19 th , 26 th May - 3 rd , 10 th		
Montcalm Area Career Center 1550 W Sidney Rd Sidney, MI 48885 Wednesday Morning 9:30am – 11:00am September - 21 st , 28 th October - 12 th , 19 th , 26 th November - 2 nd , 9 th , 30 th December - 7 th January - 11 th , 18 th , 25 th February - 1 st , 15 th , 22 nd March - 1 st , 8 th , 15 th , 22 nd April - 19 th , 26 th May - 3 rd , 10 th	Mt Calvary Church 908 W Oak St Greenville, MI 48838 Thursday Morning 9:30am – 11:00am September - 22 nd , 29 th October - 13 th , 20 th , 27 th November - 3 rd , 10 th December - 8 th , 15 th January - 12 th , 19 th , 26 th February - 2 nd , 16 th , 23 rd March - 2 nd , 9 th , 16 th , 23 rd April - 20 th , 27 th May - 4 th , 11 th		
Evening Playgroup at Mt. Calvary Church 908 W Oak St Greenville, MI 48838 5:30pm-6:30pm	September 22 October 27 November 10	December 8 January 19 February 23	March 16 April 20 May 11

Montcalm County Community Baby Shower

Who is Invited

If you are pregnant, have a newborn under 6 months old, and live in Montcalm County, this event is for you!

What

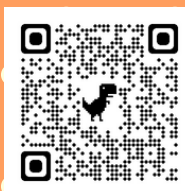
Receive a gift bag of items perfect for mom and baby. Books, a sleep sack, a bib, a burp cloth, a blanket, a bath towel, diapers, wipes, parenting resources, pack-n-play, and more! Limited Supply!

When: Saturday, May 6th, 2023

Time: 10 am - 2 pm

Where: The MACC, 1550 W Sidney Rd, Sidney, 48885

Register at: tinyurl.com/2023babyshower



Family Fun Day

Saturday, May 6, 2023
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM



*Early Childhood
Information Expo*

Join us for an in person event at
Montcalm Area Career Center
1550 West Sidney Road in Sidney

- ◆ Early Childhood Resources/Information
- ◆ Fire Truck, Police Car, and Ambulance
- ◆ Play Dough/Coloring/Crafts/Face Paint
- ◆ Free Vision Screening provided by Greenville Lions Club
- ◆ Children's Fingerprinting Registry provided by the Michigan State Police
- ◆ Petting Zoo
- ◆ Happy Meal Gift Cards from McDonald's
- ◆ Corewell Health/YMCA Veggie Van
- ◆ Free Children's Books
- ◆ Inflatables and Bounce House

*Event Coordinated by
We Care for Kids Council*

PO Box 70
Stanton, MI 48888
Sue Kearney, Executive Director
Email: skearney@maisd.com

**Hot Dogs and Chips
from Central Montcalm
Lions Club**

**Free Diapers given by
United Way of Montcalm
and Ionia Counties**

Register for the Free Community Baby Shower
<https://www.facebook.com/greatstartmontcalmcounty>

Montcalm County Dolly Parton Imagination Library



Annual Report 2022

618 West Main Street, Suite C
Stanton, MI 48888

Our Mission:

The mission of the Montcalm County Dolly Parton Imagination Library is to develop the love of reading in all children of this county, by providing an age-appropriate book each month to every child from birth to four years old.

Our Vision:

Imagine the benefits to children and to society if all Montcalm County preschoolers arrived at school loving books and reading.

The Montcalm County Dolly Parton Imagination Library premier early childhood book gifting program!

MC DPIL Looks Great at 9 Years Old!

The Montcalm County Great Start Collaborative (MCGSC) is a partnership of community leaders, business owners, charitable and faith-based organizations, health and human service agencies, educators, and parents that come together for the purpose of:

- Promoting awareness and advocating for early childhood issues.
- Address factors that influence school readiness.
- Planning and coordinating community services.

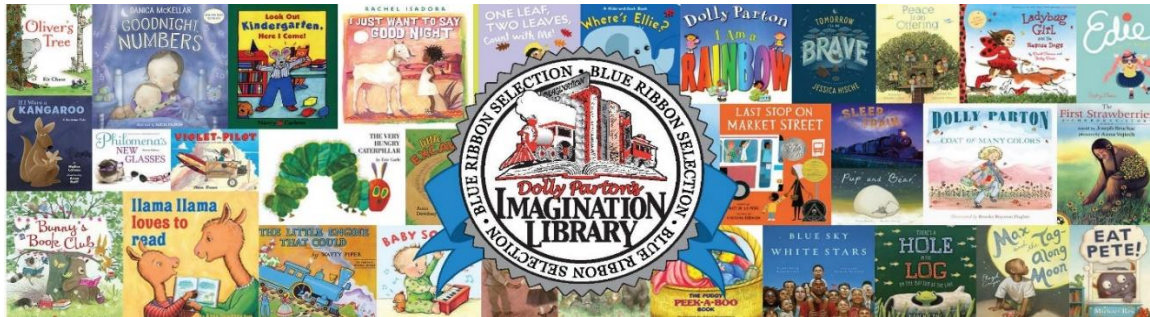
The MCGSC is committed to developing a seamless system that utilizes community resources and supports to help families gain access to tools needed to provide a healthy start for all children.

For more information about the Montcalm County Dolly Parton Imagination Library or Montcalm County Great Start Collaborative, visit our website at <http://www.greatstartmontcalm.org> or Facebook: www.facebook.com/montcalmimaginationlibrary



Table of Contents

MC DPIL Sponsors -----	3
Overview -----	4
Registration Data/Information -----	5
Registration by City -----	6
Registration by District -----	6
MC DPIL Expenses -----	7
MC DPIL Income -----	8
MC DPIL Endowment -----	9
Parent Survey Results -----	10
Words from Participating Parents -----	11
We Need Your Support -----	12
MC DPIL Enrollment Form -----	13



Montcalm County Dolly Parton Imagination Library Sponsors

- Bowen Insulation
- Builders Glass of Greenville, INC.
- Bush Rental LLC
- Carson City-Crystal Area Schools
- Carson City Correction Facility Boyer Club
- Central Montcalm Community Foundation
- Central Montcalm Public Schools
- Crystal Lions Club
- Danish Sisterhood Society
- Department of Health Human Services Montcalm County
- Edmore Lions Club
- Edmore Women's Club
- EightCAP, INC.
- Entrican Gleaners
- First United Methodist Church of Greenville
- Greenville Area Community Foundation
- Greenville Area Youth Advisory Club
- Greenville Family Dental
- Grenville Lions Club
- Greenville Public Schools
- Greenville Rotary Club
- Heart of West Michigan United Way
- Isabella Bank
- Lakeview Area Community Fund
- Lakeview Community Schools
- Lakeview Family Chiropractors
- L'Image Salon
- Martin Eye Care
- McDonalds of Greenville
- Mersen USA GS Corp- Greenville
- Montabella Community Schools
- Michigan One Community Credit Union
- Montcalm Area Intermediate School District
- Montcalm Care Network
- Montcalm County Great Start Collaborative
- Montcalm County Mom Prom
- Montcalm County Republicans
- Montcalm Wind
- Ninety Degree Nutrition
- Panhandle Area Community Fund
- Our Saviors Lutheran Church of Edmore
- Sidney State Bank
- Stanton Lions Club
- Our Saviors Lutheran Church of Edmore
- Sidney State Bank
- Stanton Lions Club
- Stanton Women's Club
- Target Foundation
- Tri County Area Schools
- Tri County Electric People Fund
- Turk Lake Restaurant and Bar
- United Way of Montcalm and Ionia County
- Vestaburg Community Schools
- We Care for Kids Council
- Wells Photography
- Many Individual Sponsors

**THANK
YOU!**



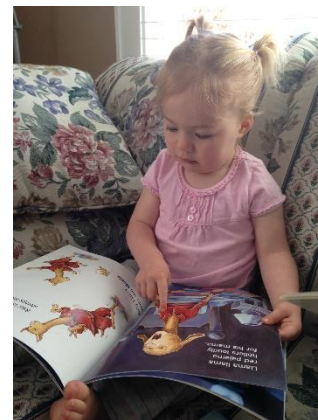

Overview of 2022 Montcalm County Dolly Parton Imagination Library (MC DPIL)

Highlights:

- 12,192 free Imagination Library books were mailed to Montcalm County preschool children in 2022.
 - Welcome Book- 507
 - Graduation Book- 263
 - Regular- 11,422
 - Number of children served- 1,412
- Since our inception in 2013, the MC DPIL has mailed 110,850 books.
 - Welcome Book- 3,884
 - Graduation Book- 1,966
 - Regular- 105,000
 - Number of children served- 4,986
- According to research, children are now attending preschool better prepared to learn, because they were provided high quality, age-appropriate books during their first years. Parents stated that their child is more prepared to enter preschool, because of their MC DPIL experience.

Challenges:

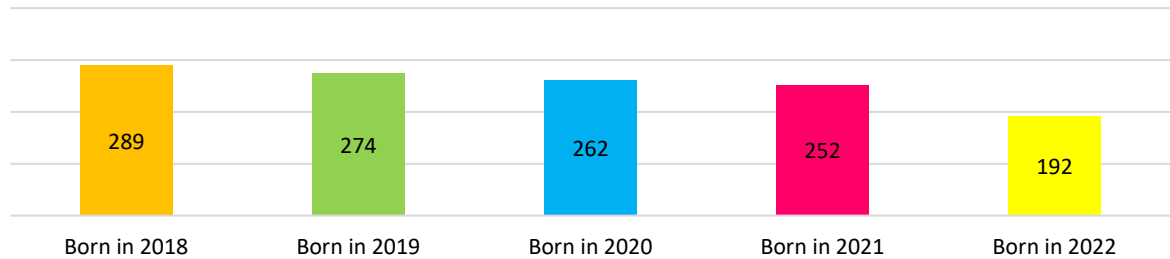
Long term, stable funding is a challenge. The price of the books is \$27.00 per child, per year, or \$2.25 per month. This low cost of \$2.25 per book includes postage and handling. This initiative is a gift from the community and not supported by any one organization or any form of funding, state or federal entities. However, since we mail approximately 1,200 books per month, almost \$33,000 needs to be raised annually through grants, donations and fundraisers, to serve children presently registered. Each year, we face the challenge to obtain funding needed for this program to continue. We established a partnership with Greenville Area Community Foundation to create a long-term sustainability plan to ensure this community gift could continue for future generations.



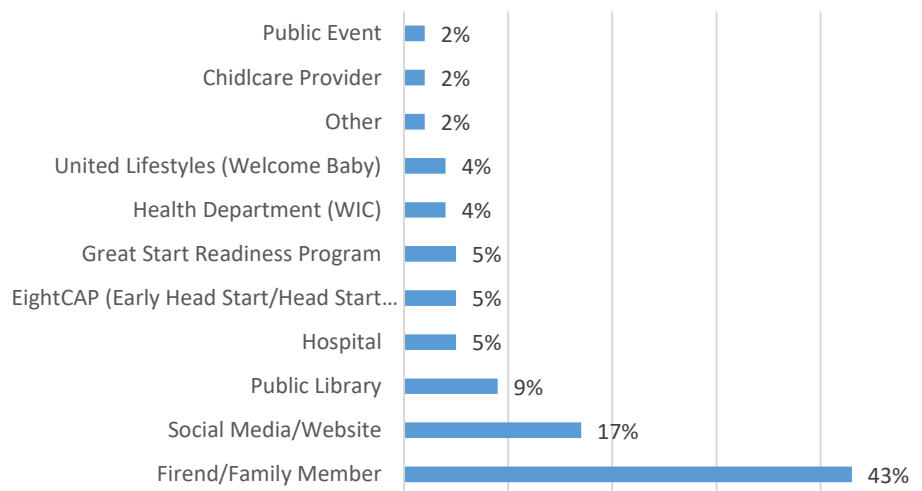
2022 Registration Data/Information

Children are being registered and graduating from the MC DPIL on an ongoing manner. The number of registered children receiving books varies from month to month. Finding ways to reach and register children in the birth-to-age-four age group is a constant effort, conducted primarily by volunteer MCGSC board members, birth to five parents, community service providers, and MCGSC Parent Coalition members.

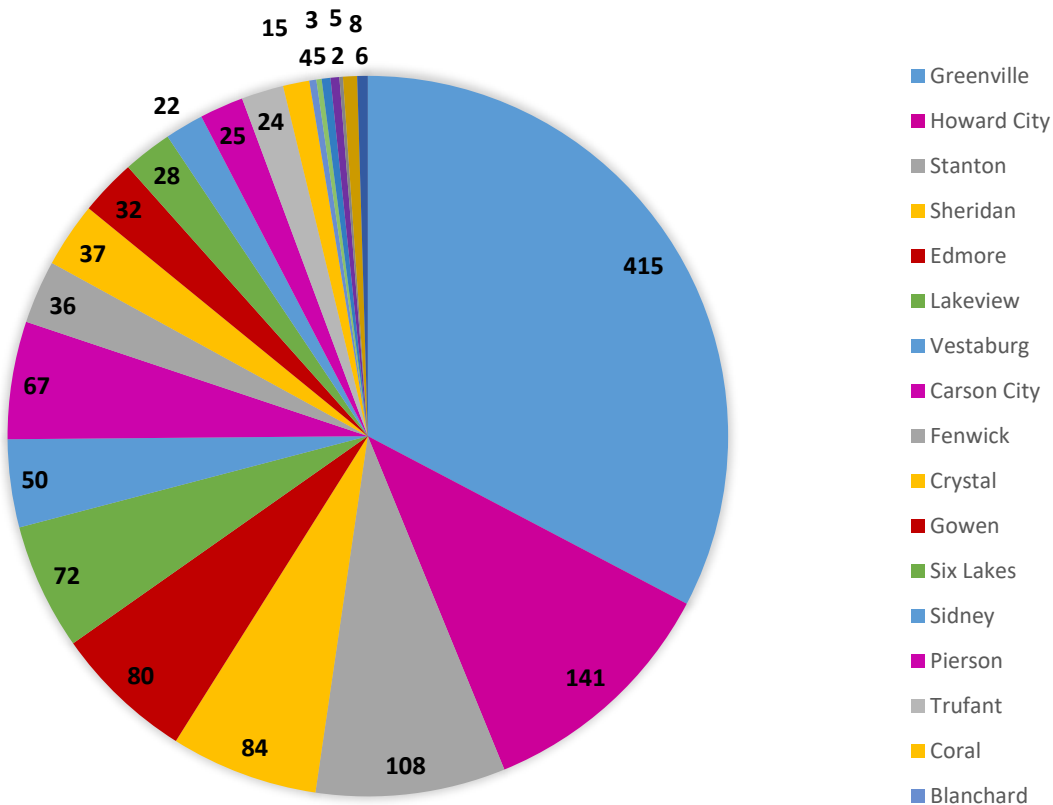
1. *Number of children registered on the closing date December of 2022: 1,269*



2. *Number of eligible children based on 2021 Kids Count, in 2021: 4,397.*
3. **We have 29% of the eligible children, enrolled in MC DPIL.**
 - Number of Children enrolled is determined by the amount of funding we have to support MC DPIL.
4. *Registration Brochure Holder locations:* The MC DPIL maintains registration brochure holders throughout the county.
5. We continue to collaborate with Corewell Health United Hospital, to put together Welcome Baby packets that include registration forms for the MC DPIL. With their partnership, we hope to build readers from birth!
6. During a recent survey with parents, they were asked about how they found out about Dolly Parton Imagination Library, most of them have heard about MC DPIL through a friend or family member!

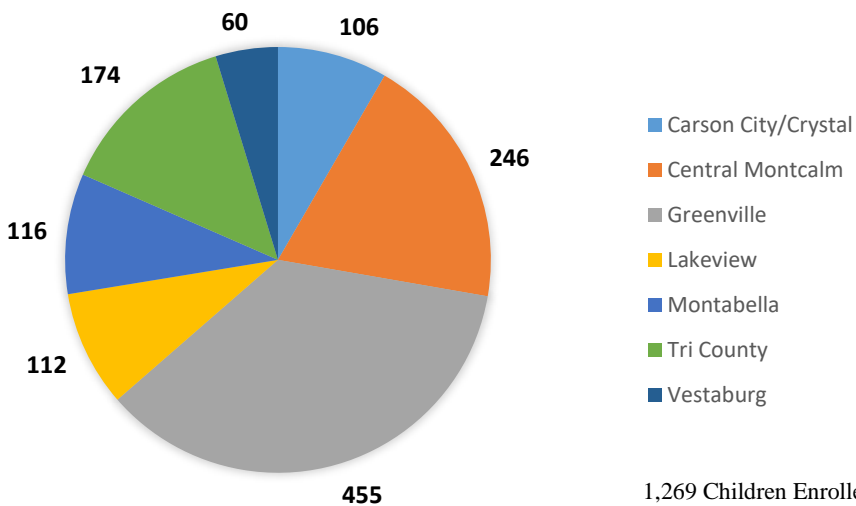


Number of Children Enrolled by Location
Data Pulled 12/29/2022



1,269 Children Enrolled

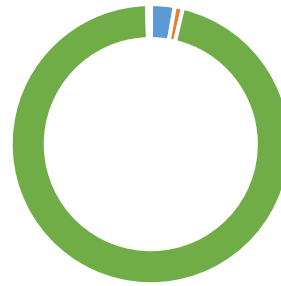
Number of Children Enrolled by School District
Data Pulled 12/29/2022



1,269 Children Enrolled

2013-2022 MC DPIL Expenses to Date

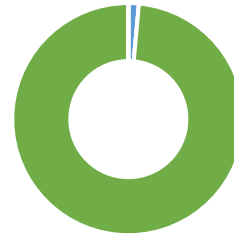
Postage through USPS	\$6,695	3%
Postage through MAISD	\$2,286	1%
DPIL Monthly Invoice	\$233,379	96%
Printing	\$119	0%
Marketing	\$912	0%
Total	\$243,391	100%



- Postage through USPS
- Postage through MAISD
- DPIL Monthly Invoice
- Printing

2022 MC DPIL Expenses

Postage through USPS	\$386	1%
Postage through MAISD	\$0	0%
DPIL Monthly Invoice	\$25,910	99%
Printing	\$0	0%
Marketing	\$0	0%
Total	\$26,296	100%



- Postage through USPS
- Postage through MAISD
- DPIL Monthly Invoice
- Printing

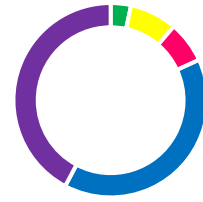
Explanatory Notes for 2022:

- ❖ 99% of all funds were used to purchase the 12,192 Imagination Library books that were mailed out in 2027. The local cost is \$2.25 per book, which covers the book, postage, and handling. This low cost is possible because of matching funds from the Governor’s Books from Birth Foundation and by special arrangements with publishers made by the Dollywood Foundation.
- ❖ *Undelivered Books/Postage: Books that are unable to be mailed to the address located on the book or forwarded to a current address are sent back to the post office and held until we can pick up the undelivered books. When picked up, the US Post Office requires that we pay for the return postage. These returned books are provided to Montcalm County families throughout the year via, Playgroup, Welcome Baby and various MCGSC parent coalition activities.*
- ❖ **Marketing:** In previous years we have purchased brochures, bookmarks, and stickers to promote at county community events, but due to the pandemic, we were not able to participate in community events, making it so we did not need to purchase any items.



2013-2021 MC DPIL Income to Date

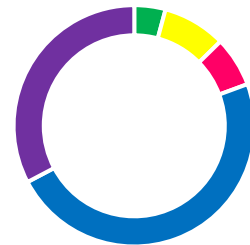
Individual Donors	\$9,386	3%
Business Donors	\$21,868	8%
Non-Profit Donors	\$19,206	7%
Grants	\$109,782	40%
Schools	\$117,210	42%
Total Income	\$277,452	100%



■ Individual Donors ■ Business Donors
■ Non-profit Donors ■ Grants
■ Schools

2021 MC DPIL Income

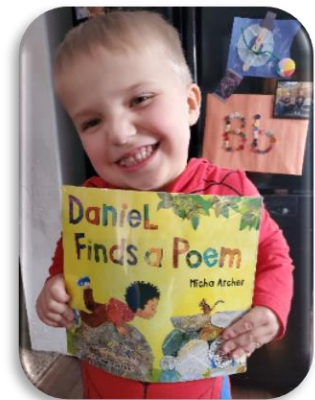
Individual Donors	\$1,061	4%
Business Donors	\$2,154	8%
Non-Profit Donors	\$1,705	7%
Grants	\$12,157	48%
Schools	\$8,303	33%
Total Income	\$25,380	100%



■ Individual Donors ■ Business Donors
■ Non-profit Donors ■ Grants
■ Schools

Explanatory Notes for 2022:

- ❖ **Individual Donors** = Revenue that comes from direct donations by individuals
- ❖ **Grants Received in 2022** = Income that came because of written grants.
 - Greenville Area Community Foundation Continuation Grant
 - Greenville Youth Advisory Grant
 - Central Montcalm Community Foundation
 - Lakeview Area Community Foundation
 - Tri County Electric People Foundation
- ❖ **Business Donors** = Direct business donations. Refer to page 10, for list of donors.
- ❖ **Non-Profit Donors**= Community clubs and societies
- ❖ **Schools**= EightCAP, Inc., and all 7 local school districts within the MAISD
- ❖ ***Annual cost for MC DPIL** is \$32,400 to serve current children registered, if we are serving 1,200 children.



Montcalm County Dolly Parton Imagination Library Endowment Fund

Greenville Area Community Foundation

Statement Summary

Historic Gifts or Corpus	\$10,218
Available to Spend this Year	\$371.70

Beginning Balance-	\$14,052.59
Contributions	\$1,100
Pledges	\$0
Interest and Dividend Income	\$697.89
Appreciation of Assets	(\$3,207.01)
Interfund Gifts	\$0
Total Revenue	(\$1,405.04)

Grants Authorized	\$0
Administrative Fees	(\$140)
Total Expenses	(\$144.08)
Total Change in Fund Balance	(\$1,549.12)

Current Ending Balance 12/31/22	\$12,503.47
----------------------------------------	--------------------

MC DPIL started a partnership with Greenville Area Community Foundation to establish an endowment fund on April 16, 2019, to support MC DPIL for years to come. We need to transition from ongoing fund raising to a long-term sustainable funding option.

Thank you to Greenville Area Community Foundation for support in establishing MC DPIL for future generations.



Montcalm County Dolly Parton Imagination Library

<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">\$27</p> <p>GIVES 1 KID 12 BOOKS FOR 1 YEAR</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">\$108</p> <p>GIVES 4 KIDS 48 BOOKS FOR 1 YEAR</p>	
---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--

We need your help to continue this wonderful gift to young children in Montcalm County!

Parent Survey 2022 Results:

239 Parents completed the annual MC DPIL survey

Table 1 below shows that 67% of parents reported that MC DPIL increased their children’s interest in reading or looking at books by “a lot.” 57% of parents reported an increase in the amount of time parents have spent with their child.

Table 1: Change in Literacy Activity

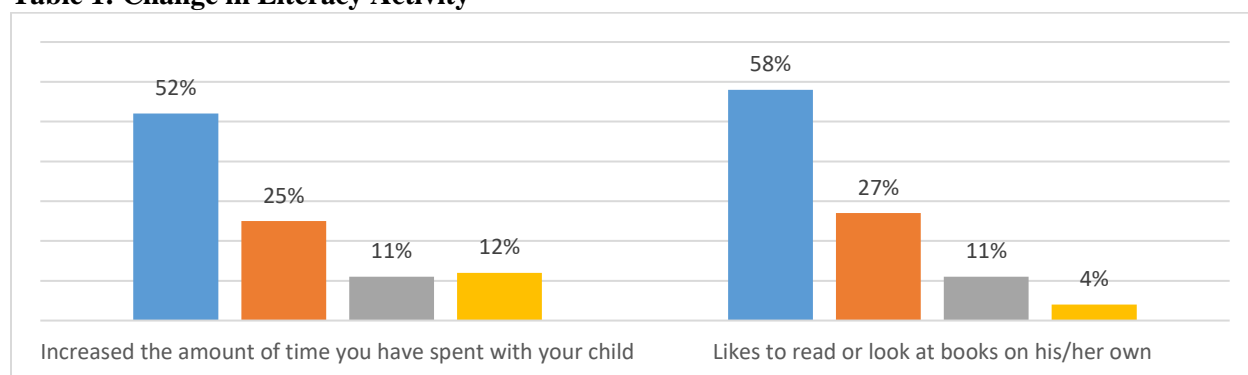
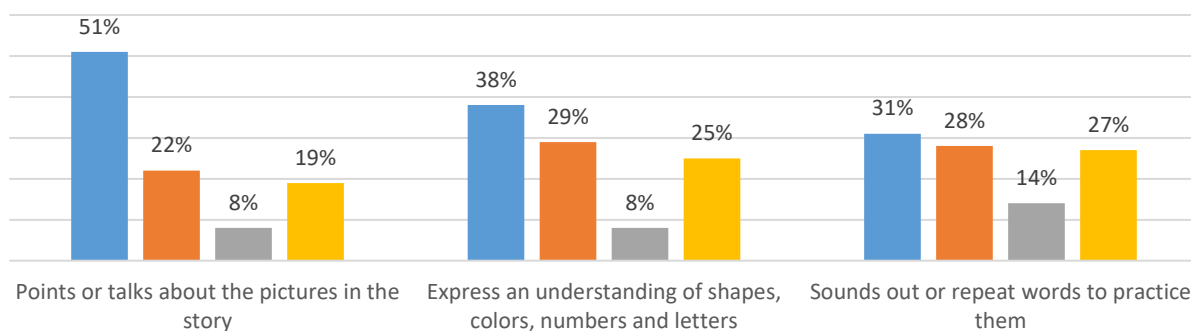


Table 2 shows that children receiving Dolly Parton Imagination Library books are supporting children to learn to read at an early age. According to parents, MC DPIL participating children have greater general knowledge, have expanded their vocabulary, and become readers that are more fluent. Research tells us that early readers can recognize a larger number of words by sight, which enables them to learn more from and about their environment. MC DPIL supports our children in this learning process!

Table 2: Change in Early Learning Skills



Parents are their child’s first and best teacher; therefore, providing tools to parents that encourages them to talk, read and sing with their child every day is critical. Even parents with poor literacy skills want to raise readers and MC DPIL helps support them in the effort as to even teaching their child how to hold a book correctly.

Quotes 2022 Montcalm County Imagination Library participants:



“Ernie's face lights up when he gets his mail each month and then he can't wait to read what Dolly sent him. Thank you for making him feel special and find joy in books. I know that his early love of reading will benefit him throughout his life.”

“Every month, my daughter (almost 4) looks forward to the day she gets a book in the mail. We always must read it right away. We have a special shelf on our bookshelf that is all her books from the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. I always encourage people to sign their children up for this amazing program. Thank you!”

“We are so happy there is a program like this available for our new young children of Montcalm county!”



“I love this program so much. We are on a tight budget so receiving a book monthly is really a nice treat for both my child and for me. We have a lot of fun reading the books he gets through this program!”

“My child is excited to receive mail once a month! The books are high quality and often different than what we would normally buy. DPIL is an amazing program.”

“My daughter gets so excited when she gets a new book in the mail. It's definitely a highlight in our household and we always sit right down and read them. They have become some of our favorite books in our house. I also love how it tells you different ways to interact with your child about the books on the inside cover. We would be devastated if anything were to happen to this program!”



“Our family loves this program! The books have progressed with my child's age, maintaining her interest and attention while reading. My daughter loves getting her own mail! She opens her new book right away to read it! Thank you for continuing this program!”

“This is the best program! I am a foster/adoptive parent, and this program has been invaluable over the years with my kiddoes! They learn so much from the books and get so excited to get their very own mail which makes them feel like they belong and our community cares! Thank you for bringing this program to Montcalm County it is so needed!!!!”



“We really appreciate the book that comes in the mail every month. I really appreciate the diversity that is represented in the books. Between a few in Spanish and the different cultural themes, we have really enjoyed learning about other things outside our typical day. For the most part, the plots are captivating, and the illustrations are beautiful. And for what it's worth, every time I see the "free" book in the mail for my daughter, I'm really struck by the generosity of this program. The time and money that goes into making this possible is very much appreciated. Thank you so much!”



DONATE NOW!

**HELP
SUPPORT**

DOLLY'S EFFORT
TO IMPROVE EARLY
CHILDHOOD LITERACY
ACROSS THE WORLD!



Make a tax-deductible donation to encourage the love of reading! Support the Montcalm County Dolly Parton Imagination Library Program!

Dolly Parton Imagination Library is available in Montcalm County, for children ages 0-3. Children will receive a free book in the mail each month until their 4th birthday.

This program helps children start their own personal library, and encourages a love of reading. More than any other skill the ability to read helps a child to succeed in school, function in society and have more employment options in the future.

It costs \$27 annually to sponsor a child. There are approximately 3,667 children ages 0-4 in Montcalm County!

By investing, we believe we are building tomorrow's workforce, by building readers. If you are interested in sponsoring a child, making a donation or becoming a program champion please contact: Mindy Train

Donations can be made online at <https://gacfmi.org> or mailed to:

Mindy Train
618 W Main St, Suite C
Stanton, MI 48888
mtrain@maisd.com or 616-225-6150



Montcalm County Great Start Collaborative

Presents



What Is It?

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library will help you read with your child. Each month a new, carefully selected, book will be mailed in your child's name directly to your home. Best of all it is a FREE GIFT! There is no cost or obligation to your family.

Who Is Eligible?

Preschool children ages birth to five who are residents of the Montcalm Area Intermediate School District (MAISD).

What Are My Responsibilities?

1. Be a resident of the MAISD.
2. Submit a registration form, completely filled out by a parent or guardian.
3. Notify the Montcalm County Great Start Collaborative any time your address changes.
4. Read with your child.

When Will I Receive Books?

Eight to ten weeks after your registration form has been received, books will begin arriving at your home and will continue until your child turns four or you move out of the MAISD.



Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Official Registration Form

Privacy Statement: This information will not be used for any purpose other than related to the Imagination Library. PLEASE PRINT

Child Full Name _____

Child Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____

Phone _____

Sex: M F

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Child Mailing Address _____

Address

State _____

Zip Code _____

School District Child Resides In _____

Does this child attend Head Start? Yes No

Email Address _____

" This child is a resident of Montcalm Area ISD"

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN _____

Sign up your child today!

Enroll online: www.tinyurl.com/montcalmdpil
Or Simply fill out the above form and mail to:



DPIL/Great Start
PO Box 367
Stanton, MI 48888
(616)225-6150



2022 Community Report



Montcalm Prevention
COLLABORATIVE
One County. One Cause.



Dear Community Friends,

It is our pleasure to present the 2022 Montcalm Prevention Collaborative Community Report. We are excited to share how the Collaborative has been engaging with prevention in Montcalm County.

Montcalm Prevention Collaborative (MPC) is a community coalition and Drug Free Communities grantee, serving Montcalm County. Our goals are to reduce the youth use of alcohol, marijuana, and tobacco/nicotine in the county.

This report contains a brief description of MPC. We hope to answer the questions of who we are, what we do, notable accomplishments, and provide the newest youth data on alcohol, tobacco, vaping, and marijuana. We base our activities and initiatives on this data and youth input.

Montcalm County boasts 12,000+ youth county wide. These youth are a bright promise for our community's future. MPC has worked to develop a strong coalition composed of adult community members, youth, and business organizations to address wellness and prevention. Our hope is that as you are introduced to the prevention activities taking place in Montcalm County, you will also want to be a part of this exciting and rewarding work. Please accept this report as an invitation to our coalition meetings, which take place every other month at the Montcalm Area Intermediate School District building in Stanton. We look forward to working side-by-side with our community to promote the well-being of our youth and a drug free future for Montcalm County.

Sincerely,

John Kroneck, Montcalm Prevention Collaborative Chair



Current Programs

- Medication drop-off events held around Montcalm County during the year.
- Placement of permanent medication drop boxes in law enforcement agencies throughout the County.
- Sharps (needles) collection and disposal.
- Youth Prevention Clubs in Greenville, Lakeview, Tri County and Vestaburg.
- Montcalm County youth sent to national leadership trainings 2 times/year.
- Vaping & other substance use disorder education presentations.
- Implement tobacco vendor compliance checks.
- Community Recovery Symposium participation.
- Disseminate substance use prevention educational materials.
- Media campaigns highlighting the health concerns of cannabis use by youth.

Accomplishments

- Hosted a Safe Prom event.
- Participated in the Greenville Public Schools Back to School Bash.
- Collaborated with the Community Recovery Symposium.
- Youth Marketing & Recruitment at the Greenville Girls' Basketball Game.
- Tobacco Vendor Sales Compliance Checks with local law enforcement; took place throughout Montcalm County.
- Informational display at Parent/Teacher Conferences.
- Alcohol Sticker Shock Campaign with local stores and law enforcement partners.
- Vaping education.
- Collected over 11,000 lbs. of medication out of Montcalm County through the community Drug Take Back events and Drop Boxes at local law enforcement agencies lobbies.
- Educational materials and prevention information distributed at Early Childhood events.





Youth Prevention Clubs Created

- Youth Prevention Clubs were created in Greenville, Lakeview, Tri County and Vestaburg High Schools through a grant from the Michigan Prevention Network. Over 40 students in these four schools are engaging in the fight against youth substance use in their own schools and communities



“Engage.Develop.Inspire”

Drug Use Prevention & Disposal

- Installing 5 permanent medication drop boxes in law enforcement agency lobbies throughout Montcalm County.
- Collaborating with the Mid-Michigan District Health Department, Sheridan Community Hospital, Corewell Health and the Montcalm Care Network, as well as other community partners to host Drug Take-Back Days throughout the County. These events include offering free Sharps disposals and new containers to residents, as well as offering free NARCAN to all who are interested.
- Distributed over 500 home medication disposal bags throughout the County

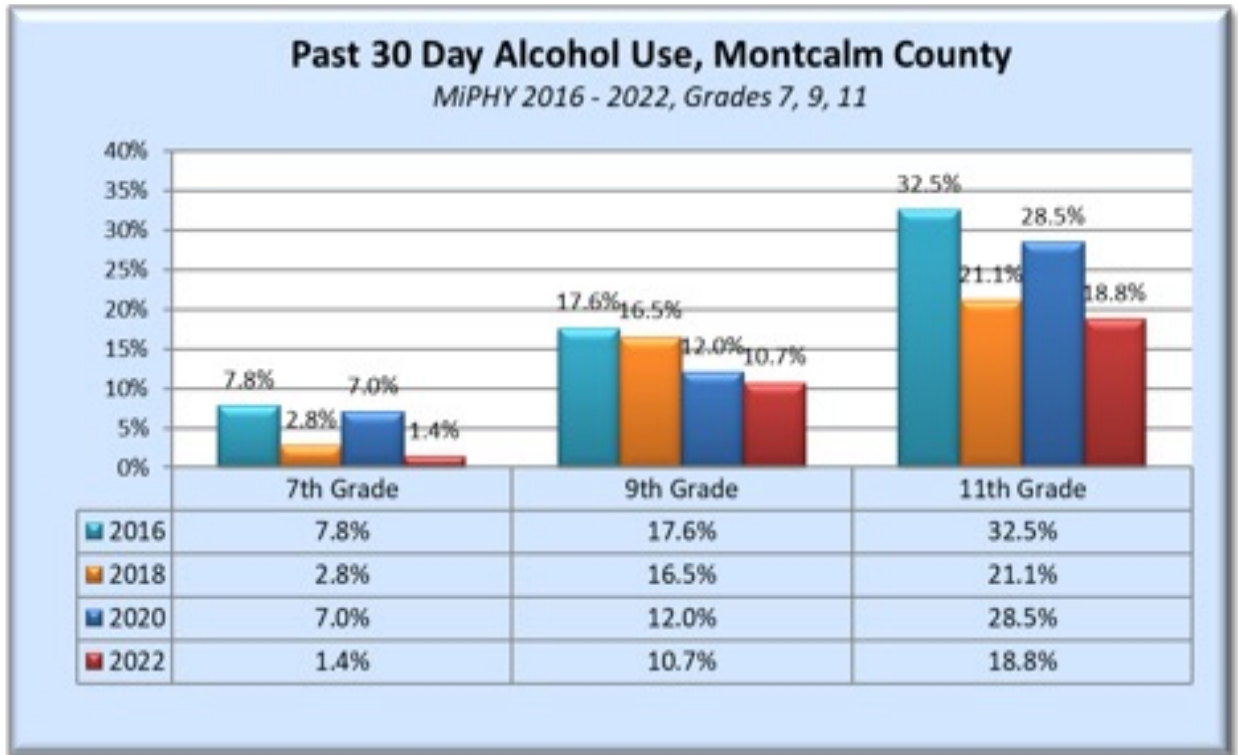


WHAT THE DATA TELLS US

The following data is provided through the Michigan Profile for Health Youth (MiPHY) survey conducted every two years in local schools throughout the State of Michigan. The MiPHY survey is conducted in the 7th, 9th, and 11th grades. Data reported for Montcalm County does not reflect any individual school but is composite data from the schools in Montcalm County which participated in the survey.

The next few pages show the data trends from 2016 to 2022 with respect to “Past 30 Day Use” of Alcohol, Cigarettes, Vaping, and Marijuana.

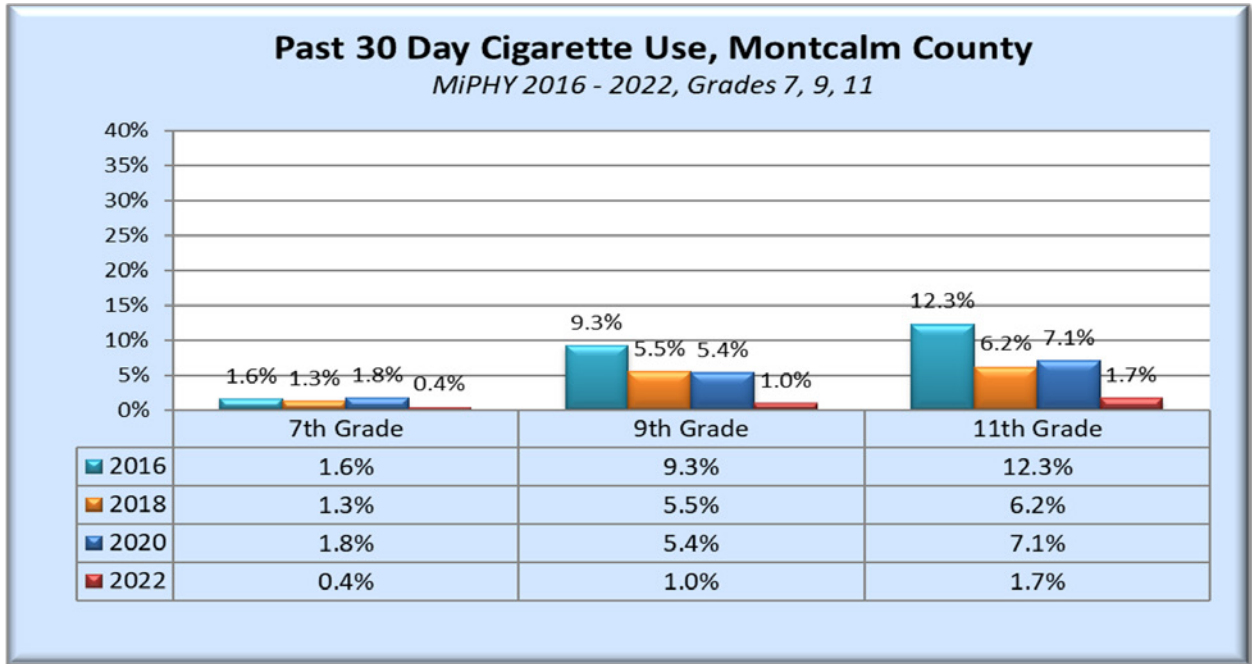
A positive set of related data shows Montcalm County student results for alcohol and cigarette use for all three grades continue to improve and reflect both state and national trends. In fact, Montcalm students are **outperforming students at the state and national level with regard to these substances.**



Data Report: Alcohol

Trend data for each grade level; 7th, 9th, and 11th; indicate lower Past 30 Day Alcohol Use for Montcalm Youth.

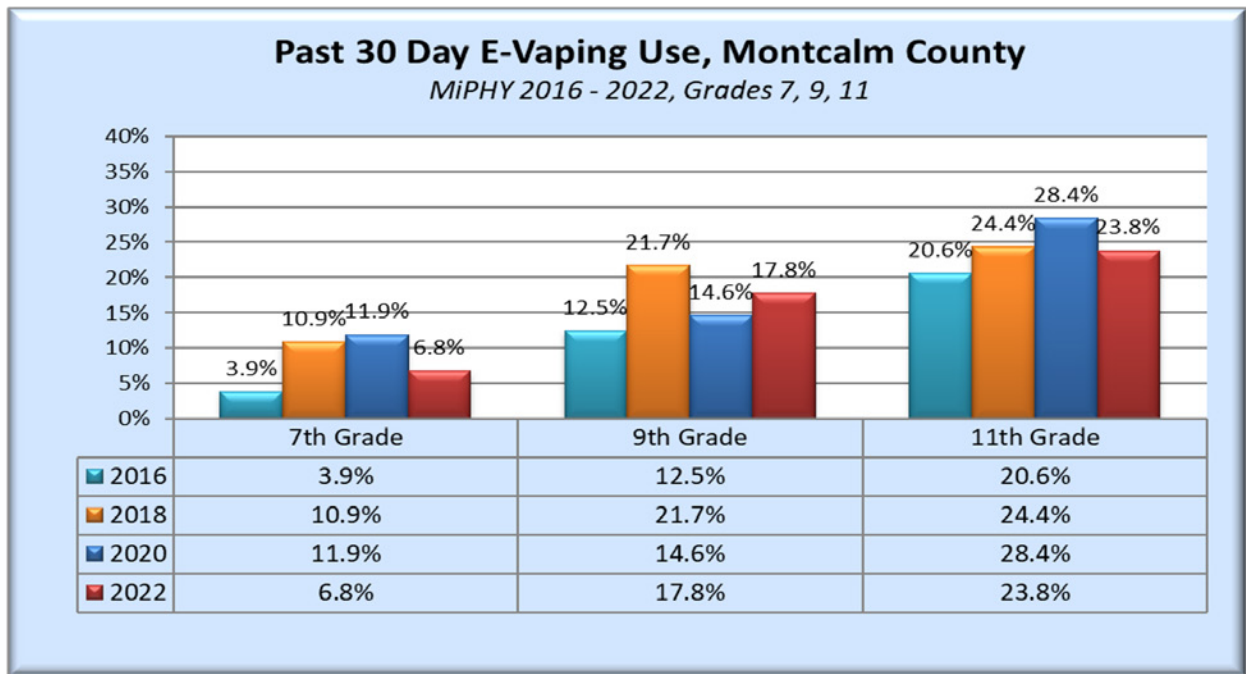
Additionally, the 2022 MiPHY Survey found that among 9th grade school students **17.8%** reported **consuming their first alcoholic beverage before age 13**.



Data Report: Cigarette

Trend data for each grade level; 7th, 9th, and 11th; indicate lower Past 30 Day Cigarette Use for Montcalm Youth.

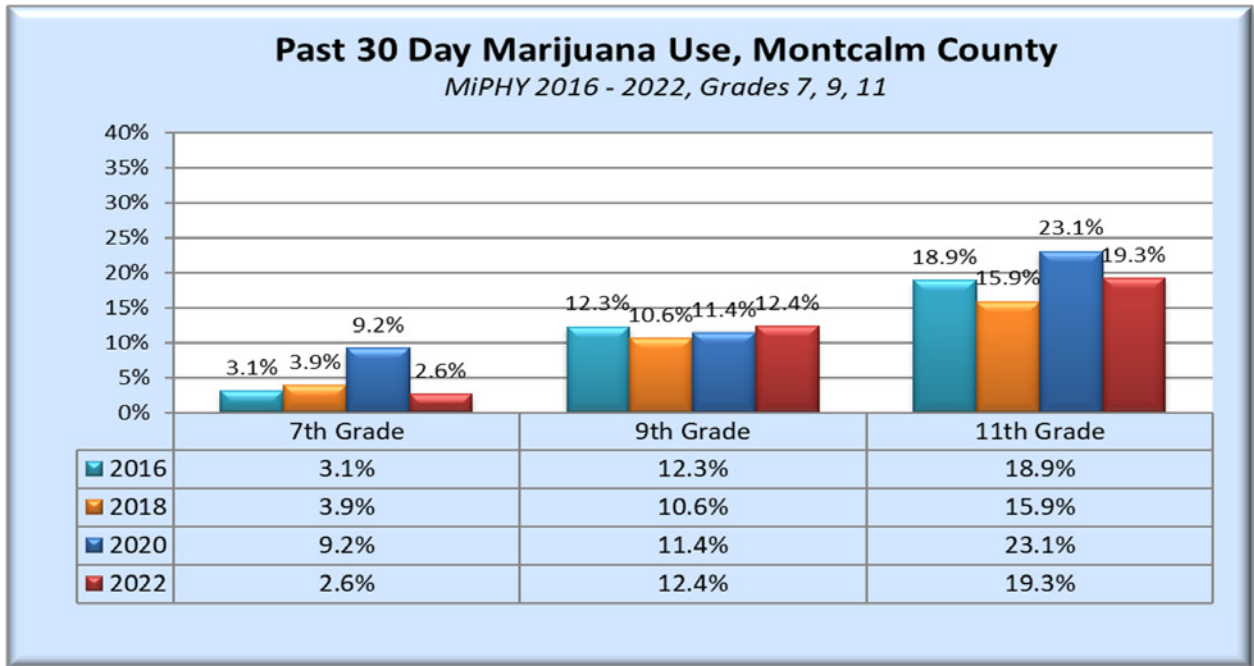
With regard to the first use of cigarettes, the 2022 MiPHY Survey found that among 9th grade students, during the past 30 days, **13.6%** of students reported **smoking their first cigarette before age 13**.



Data Report: Electronic Vaping Products

A concern shown by the MiPHY data; the use of Electronic Vapor Products in the last 30 days, particularly in the 9th and 11th grades, reported by students reflects a **significant increase** over other forms of tobacco use.

The MiPHY survey questions related to youth access to e-vaping suggests middle school students rely more on borrowing product from others, while high schoolers can often pay someone to get them. Prevention initiatives around reducing access continue to be important.



Data Report: Marijuana

The 2022 MiPHY survey found that among **Montcalm 9th graders, 7% of the students reported their first marijuana use before age 13.**

Almost **20% of 9th grade students and 8.6% of 7th grade students** report being offered, sold, or given an illegal drug on school property by someone during the past 12 months.



2023 Meeting Schedule

Full Montcalm Prevention Collaborative Meetings: 10:00-11:30 a.m. Typically meets the 2nd Wednesday of every other month – Eastview Room, MAISD, 621 New St., Stanton MI.

- January 11
- March 08
- May 10
- July 12
- September 13 * End of Fiscal Year Business
- November 08 * Nominations for Officers and Annual Meeting

Contact Us

Email: coordinator@montcalmprevention.org

Website: montcalmprevention.org/

Facebook: facebook.com/MontcalmPrevention/

Twitter: twitter.com/montprevention

