



Dear Academy Board Members and Leaders,

Our Summer Board Leadership Retreat was held on our beautiful campus from July 26-27th, 2019.

You came. You networked. You boat cruised. You ate. You learned.

We are pleased to report that our retreat was a success. We've received much positive feedback and are looking forward to our next on campus retreat tentatively scheduled for Summer 2022. (offered in a three year cycle)

With summer fading, we are turning our sights to fall and planning for 2019-20. We are excited to roll out new annual academic reports within the month, as well as a Portfolio Performance Report in January 2020. Our philosophy as an authorizer has shifted to embrace a "whole child, whole academy, whole community" approach. You will see this with the inclusion of a Community Health Factors and Outcome piece in your new report. We strive to evaluate our academies fairly and holistically.

Also, new to 2019-20, we will pilot our new Tiering System with a few academies and fully implement in 2020-2021. More to come on this. As always, we're only a phone call, text, or email away. Don't hesitate to reach out if we can be of service.

Sincerely,

Chris Oshelski

LSSU Charter Schools Director



2019 Summer Retreat Footage

## TESTING REMINDER

### 2019-20 NWEA Testing Windows

Testing Season	LSSU Window
Fall	Sept. 10-Oct. 5
Winter	Jan. 14-Feb. 8
Spring	Apr. 1-Jun. 4

### *Brooke's Blurb*

### *HAPPY FALL Y'ALL!*

Fall is definitely upon us. School is back in session, the leaves are changing, and I've switched my footwear arsenal from sandals to boots. Next up, pumpkin spice and plaid! With the start of the school year, I wanted to let you know what will be happening this year in the school support world. We will be collaborating with Ferris State University, Grand Valley State University, and Oakland University to offer a wider range of PD sessions, and allowing Julie and I to focus more on individual district needs and concerns. Julie will be conducting Adverse Childhood Experiences trainings in collaboration with Oakland University and I am offering Nonviolent Crisis Prevention Intervention trainings.

I will also be conducting a few special other trainings:

- ◆ Executive Functioning in the Classroom
- ◆ Integrating Technology; For Instruction and Communication
- ◆ General Education Classroom Intervention Strategies & Accommodations.

Additionally, we will be having our Network meetings via Zoom again this year; Leadership, Special Education, and (new this year) Continuous School Improvement. Please watch your emails for upcoming opportunities for various sessions and opportunities for professional growth or feel free to reach out if you need something specific. If you know someone who should be included on our list serve for updates and information notifications, please let me know at [bmaciag@lssu.edu](mailto:bmaciag@lssu.edu).

## COMPLIANCE CORNER

- ◆ LSSU will be partnering with NMU and FSU to offer a five part governance webinar series in 2019-20.

Webinar #1: Preparing, Reviewing, and Managing the Agenda– Oct. 14

Webinar #2: Ensuring Efficient and Orderly Meetings– Jan. 15

Webinar #3: Reporting– Feb. 10

Webinar #4: Old and New Business– Apr. 27

Webinar #5: Adjourning the Meeting and Next Steps– May 13

## FINANCE UPDATE

Welcome to the NEW Fiscal Year!

\*Upcoming Important Dates\*

- ◆ Sept. 29– Budget– Revision Resolution (1st Quarter FY20)
- ◆ Nov. 1– Financial Audit, Letter to those Charged with Governance & FID
- ◆ Nov. 14– Quarterly Financial Statements– 1st Quarter

## IN THE FIELD

**Your friendly and helpful field representatives have been assigned to the following academies.**

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## Meet Your Charter School Staff

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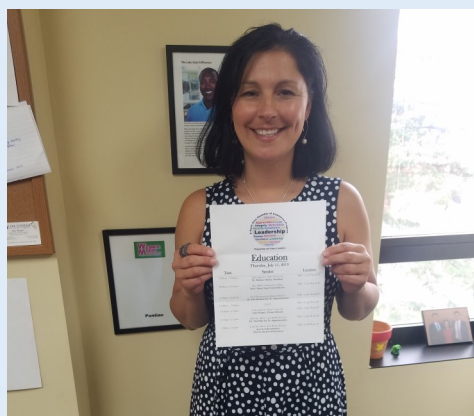
Position: Executive Director of Charter Schools

Hometown: Sault Ste. Marie

Family: Wife, Sabrina, son-Carter, daughter- Ahnaka

Hobbies: Coaching youth basketball, golf, family trips

Little Known Fact: Winner of E.U.P. Hospice House's 2013 "Dancing with the Stars"



Dr. Robert Anda, ACE Initiative

### ACEs Update

On May 21-22, 2019, I was fortunate to be selected to join the fifth cohort of Master Trainers for the Michigan ACE Initiative held in Lansing. What is ACE? ACE stands for Adverse Childhood Experiences and is described as a traumatic event that happens during childhood prior to the age of eighteen. ACE knows no socioeconomic boundaries, is common, and often clusters meaning if you have one ACE indicator, you have an 87% chance of having another ACE indicator and a 50% chance of having three or more indicators. The ACE Study confirms with scientific evidence that adversity early in life increases chances of physical, mental, and behavioral problems later in life. Dr. Robert Anda, from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, (see left bottom picture) was the co-designer and co-investigator of the study and conducted a portion of the ACE training in Lansing.

I will be teaming up with Shawna Boomgaard from Oakland Community College (who manages academic accountability for academies authorized by OCC as well as is an Advanced Certified Trauma Practitioner/Trainer) to conduct a training at Grand Traverse Academy in October.

Please contact me if you are interested in training.

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