



APRIL 10, 2026

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am writing to inform you that Mr. Jason Logsdon will be retiring effective April 13, 2026. We are incredibly grateful for his years of dedication, passion, and commitment to our students and school community. His impact on both the AP Biology and Chemistry programs, as well as the many students he has taught over the years, has been truly meaningful.

We understand that this transition may raise questions, as Mr. Logsdon leaves behind big shoes to fill. Please be assured that your students will continue to receive high-quality instruction from highly qualified educators who are prepared to support them through the remainder of the course.

At this time, all AP Biology course material has been fully covered, with the exception of final test review. Our instructional team will focus on reinforcing key concepts, practicing exam-style questions, and ensuring students feel confident and well-prepared for the AP exam.

Mr. Logsdon's Chemistry classes will be covered by Mr. Droblich, and will be supported by Mrs. Cocora. Both are experienced educators who will ensure continuity of learning and maintain high academic standards for all students.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Peter Paulon, Program Administrator

Graduation Lawn Signs are on Sale Now!

Celebrate your MST graduate with a lawn sign! Cost is \$20 and can be paid with cash or check. Pick up in the main office.



MST Senior Celebration Tickets are on Sale Now!

Tickets for the Senior Banquet are now available for \$40 per person, and graduates attend free of charge. Don't miss this special evening celebrating the Class of 2026!

Tickets will be on sale through May 8. The banquet will take place on May 19 at The Mirage, beginning at 6:00 PM.

To purchase tickets, please complete the flyer located at the end of the newsletter and return it with payment. Cash or checks are accepted (checks payable to UCS).

We look forward to celebrating with you!

Laundry Bag Donations

It is a tradition at MST to present each Senior, at the Senior Banquet, with a laundry bag filled with items, preparing them for their next adventure. With all the senior events and costs, we ask that the Freshman, Sophomore and Junior parents donate the items for the current graduating class. This way, you can sit back and enjoy your Senior's celebration.

There are **87 graduates** this year to congratulate. We would appreciate it if you could help us by signing up to donate any of the items.

We are asking that all donations are received by **May 12th**, so that we have time to put the bags together. From now until May 12th, please drop off the items at the IRC labeled with MST and your name.

***Please be aware of the amount of the product requested. For example, if you sign up for a slot under laundry detergent, you are committing to bringing in 8 small laundry detergents.*

*If you change the quantity to two, on the sign-up genius, you are signing up for TWO slots and are signing up to bring 16 individual laundry detergents. ****

Thank you for your support!

IRC: MST Senior "College Survival" Laundry Bags



**TECH
CAMP
2026**

CAMP DESCRIPTION:

Electrify Tech Camp consists of seven individual non-residential summer programs for high school students that is sponsored and run by Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) at the University of Michigan (U-M). Camp participants will be introduced to college-level topics at an introductory level suitable for high school students.

Program content is developed and taught by U-M faculty and graduate students, ensuring the highest quality of academic



learning. Recreational activities will be incorporated into the activities of each day. Come ready to learn and to have fun!

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**JUNE 15-19
and JUNE 22-26**

NANO-SIZE IT

Nanofabrication



JULY 6-10

ENTANGLE IT

Quantum Science
& Technology



**JULY 13-17
and JULY 20-24**

POWER UP

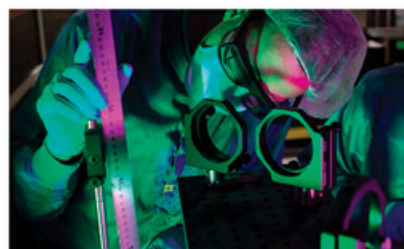
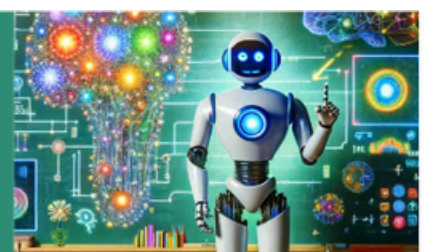
Power & Energy
Harvesting



JULY 27-31

AI MAGIC

Machine Learning &
Artificial Intelligence

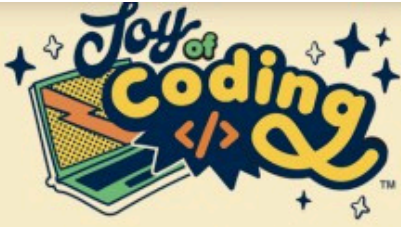


AUGUST 10-14

ZAP IT

Laser Engineering,
Plasma & Fusion Science

Joy of Coding via University of Michigan-AA



College-Level Courses on Coding, AI & Data Science | Summer 2026

Make coding fun!

Created for high schoolers

Our courses were created with high schoolers in mind. **No prior coding experience required!** All courses are online and self-paced, so you can fit them into your schedule.

Bolster your college apps

Upon completion of the course, **students receive a certificate of accomplishment from University of Michigan ECE** to include in college applications.

Have fun while learning

Students use Python to learn how coding powers Snapchat, TikTok, Instagram, and Siri... and even **learn how to code their own Snapchat lenses!**

Students should...

- love math and logic underlying math problems
- love solving problems creatively
- be receptive to coaching and reaching out for help when stuck
- be able to laugh off mistakes during the learning process

Basic Requirements

- Age 13+
- Have taken and enjoyed Algebra
- Understand the concept of variables and functions
- Understand basic manipulations of functions and variables
- Know how to compute $f(0)$ and $f(1)$ when, for example, $f(x) = \sin(x)$

\$149 plus tax | Need-based financial aid available



Join the community of 5,000+ students from 50 states and 25+ countries who have taken and enjoyed our courses.

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Apply by May 31
for priority consideration

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Click Here to Register

The Joyce Ivy Foundation presents



COLLEGE ADMISSIONS SYMPOSIUM (JCAS)

Students of all genders, families, and educators are invited to join us for a day of specialized workshops on navigating the college admissions process. The day will also include a mini college fair.

Topics include:

- writing an effective essay
- how to navigate the financial aid and scholarship process
- choosing the right college for you
- case-study workshop led by admissions officers where YOU will observe how your college application is actually read by universities.

During the workshops and college fair, you'll have the opportunity to meet representatives from top institutions, including:

- Amherst College
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Chicago
- Duke University
- Jack Kent Cooke Foundation
- University of Michigan
- Wellesley College
- ROOT College Advising and more!

Questions? please email us at
info@joyceivyfoundation.org

Saturday
May 16, 2026
9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Troy Community Center
3179 Livernois Rd
Troy, MI 48083



Click Here
to
Register

Please follow the link below to register for JCAS

Attendance Procedures

If your student is going to be absent from MST, you **MUST** call our attendance line to report the absence.

(586) 797-6899



UPCOMING EVENTS

5/19: MST Senior Banquet at The Mirage

5/21: Seniors' Last Day

5/22-5/25: No School - Memorial Break

6/5: Last Day of School for MST



Bagel Tuesday & Pizza Friday!



We sell Panera bagels & cream cheese on Tuesdays.

A bagel is **\$1.50** and cream cheese is **\$0.50**



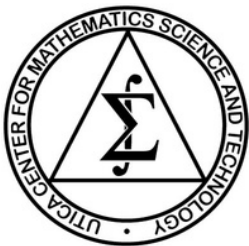
We sell Jet's Pizza on Fridays.

A slice of pizza is **\$2.00**

volunteers
WANTED!

If you are interested in helping with our pizza and bagel sales,
sign up here!

<https://tinyurl.com/2s388kfz>



MST Senior Celebration

CLASS OF 2026

The Mirage

16980 18 Mile Road, Clinton Township, MI 48038

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 6 p.m.

Tickets:

Available for purchase until May 8, 2026 at the Instructional Resource Center

Cost:

\$40 per guest (no charge for the graduating student)

Agenda:

6:00—Welcome and Introductions

6:15—Buffet Dinner

7:00—Student Recognition

Please fill out this form and return with payment no later than May 8, 2026. (Exact cash or check made out to UCS)

Name _____

Guests Attending _____ Amount Paid _____

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COMMUNITY

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988

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Thoughts of Suicide

211

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Services:

Get connected to basic needs
support for things such as food,
shelter, utility assistance, tax
assistance, and more



UCS THRIVE



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JUST ASK **UCS**

Utica Community Schools is a
big district, if at any time you
have a question, just ask us!

✉ questions@uticak12.org

☎ (586) 797-1000