

Every student learning, growing... succeeding.

Project



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Dear Lake Denoon Middle School Sixth/Seventh Grade Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

The goal of the Project i is to realize our mission (*Every student learning, growing...succeeding.*) by offering a customized approach that is responsive to the middle-level learner. In this program, teachers serve as advisors as well as content instructors. Student choice is important, and through this educational model, student choice guides the attainment of academic standards. Our program/classrooms (both Bay Lane and LDMS) are now recognized statewide for this type of learning initiative. In fact, Project i was a featured visit by the Assistant State Superintendent in 2013, and is on the CESA #1 Touring Circuit (which means other schools from around the state and Midwest have come to observe Project i).

Project i Student Roles	Project i Parent Roles
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work with an advisor who will support and guide him/her through project-based learning experiences• Learn how to independently identify and use resources needed to complete projects and follow through with contacting any external resources when applicable• Self-assess progress and communicate learning goals and accomplishments via technology at least one to two times per week• Participate in district wide assessments• Demonstrate proficiency of Common Core and District standards• Attend electives/enrichment with grade level peers• Participate in “seminars” taught by the advisors• Utilize feedback provided by advisors regarding learning process and products• Ask for support from parent/guardian to fulfill project requirements, when needed• Use technology independently to access resources responsibly following the MNSD Technology Agreement/Rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintain and check-in with my child and his/her progress at least one to two times per week• Contact the advisor directly with questions/concerns• Attend parent education sessions/check websites to discuss and learn about various components of Project i• Be available to provide my child additional support outside of the school day (i.e. field trips, project research support, checking final product)

Thank you,

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