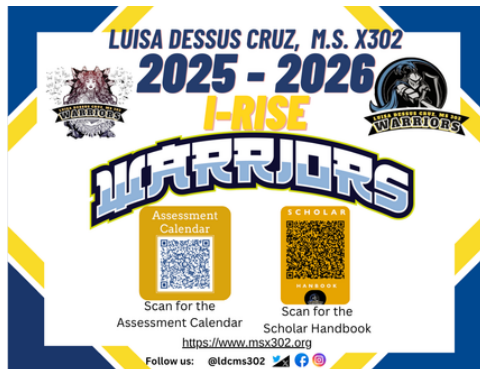




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Warrior March 2026 Bulletin



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FAMILY MARCH 2026						
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1 I-Ready Competition Begins ELA and Math Spirit Day for 8 th Grade	2 I-Ready Competition Begins ELA and Math Spirit Day for 8 th Grade	3 Science Fair You Prep Wednesday from 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm	4 Science Fair You Prep Wednesday from 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm	5 Dress Down Day Progress Report Distribution Spirit Day for 8 th Grade	6 Dress Down Day Progress Report Distribution Spirit Day for 8 th Grade	7 Dress Down Day Progress Report Distribution Spirit Day for 8 th Grade
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WOMEN'S HERSTORY MONTH!

Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories

Financial Literacy Tip
Spending Wisely - Tip: Learn about comparison shopping. Activity: When you want to buy something, compare prices at different stores or websites to find the best deal. Always ask yourself, "Is this something I need or want?"

MARCH SCHOOL HOURS 7:00AM - 2:20PM

Prepare the night before.
Go to bed early!
TEST TAKING TIPS

- Relax... Follow directions. Read each question.
- Write neatly. Erase completely. Make sure all questions are answered.
- Move on if you don't know the answer. Plan something fun to do after the test!

Dear Warrior Parents and Families,

March is often associated with "March Madness." The sound of basketball buzzer beaters, brackets, and high-energy competition. But here at Luisa Dessus Cruz, our March Madness is about something even more powerful:

Growth. Resilience. Character. Academic Excellence.

While college athletes compete during the NCAA tournament, our scholars compete in their own arena — their academic growth journey. March reminds us that success requires preparation, discipline, teamwork, and resilience over perfection.

Just as teams analyze plays and adjust strategies, our students are leaning into their i-Ready competitions, building stamina, improving scores, and taking ownership of their progress. This is academic grit in action.

i-Ready: Competing Against Your Best Self

Beginning March 2, scholars are committing to growth in ELA and Math while engaging in healthy, motivating competition.

We look forward to seeing: Stronger focus during independent learning; Students tracking and celebrating progress; Classrooms recognizing measurable gains; Competition rooted in encouragement and growth

Celebrating Our Upstanders

I am especially proud of our scholars and staff who model what it means to be upstanders — speaking up when something is wrong, protecting the dignity of others, leading with courage, and choosing integrity over popularity.

Our teachers are not only delivering instruction; they are shaping character. When students feel safe, respected, and supported, achievement follows.

Pride in Our Students

As your principal, I am proud. I am proud of our students who: Take feedback seriously; Reset after mistakes; Encourage classmates; Choose growth over excuses

This is what March Madness looks like at Luisa Dessus Cruz.

Not chaos. Not noise. But focused determination.

With gratitude and pride,

Dr. Liza Ortiz, Principal

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Important Dates

March 2: I-Ready Competition Begins (ELA and Math)

- Spirit Day for 8th Grade

March 3: 2:30pm–4:30pm D8 DLT Meeting

- Test Prep Wednesday from 2:30pm–4:30pm

March 4: Science Fair

- Test Prep Wednesday from 2:30pm–4:30pm

March 2, 9, 16, 23; 30 Spirit Day for 6th–8th Grade

March 6: Dress Down Day

- Progress Report Distribution

March 8

- Read Across America – Read your favorite book!

March 9: Spirit Day for 8th Grade

March 10: Parent Learning Walk at 8:30am

- DIY Workshop at 3:30pm

- 6pm D8 Parent Workshop

March 11: Test Prep

- 6pm CEC PS 107 (1695 Seward Avenue, Bronx, NY 10473)

- 1pm–2pm D8 Special Education Parent Series: Parent Teacher Conference

March 12: Parent Teacher Conference – Half Day

March 13, 27, : Spirit Day for 6th–8th Grade – Twin Day

March 16: Spirit Day for 8th Grade

- 6pm Presidents' Council

March 17: Grade Townhall

March 18: Test Prep Wednesday from 2:30–4:30pm

March 19: SLT Meeting – 4:30pm Room 112

- Safety Meeting – 9:40am Library

March 20: Eid al-Fitr (Schools Closed)

March 23: Spirit Day for 8th Grade

March 25: MBK Gala

- Test Prep Wednesday from 2:30–4:30pm

March 26: Town Hall Meeting at 3:30pm

- PA Meeting at 4:30pm – Room 112

March 27: Club Day

- Spirit Day for 6th–8th Grade

- 4pm–8pm International Festival (Archimedes Academy, 4068 Bronx Blvd, Bronx, NY 10466)

March 30: Professional Development

March 31: I-Ready Competition Ends (ELA and Math)

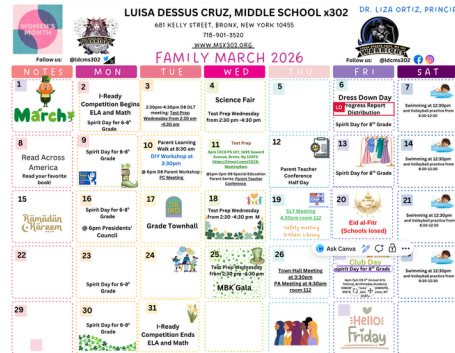
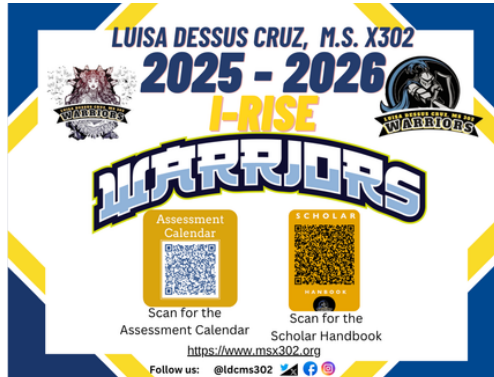


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Queridas familias y padres de la Comunidad Warrior:

El mes de marzo suele asociarse con "March Madness": el sonido de los buzzer beaters del baloncesto, los brackets y la competencia llena de energía. Pero aquí en Luisa Dessus Cruz, nuestro "March Madness" se trata de algo aún más poderoso:

Crecimiento. Resiliencia. Carácter. Excelencia Académica.

Mientras los atletas universitarios compiten en el torneo de la NCAA, nuestros estudiantes compiten en su propia arena: su trayectoria de crecimiento académico. Marzo nos recuerda que el éxito requiere preparación, disciplina, trabajo en equipo y resiliencia por encima de la perfección.

Así como los equipos analizan sus jugadas y ajustan estrategias, nuestros estudiantes están participando activamente en sus competencias de i-Ready, desarrollando resistencia académica, mejorando sus puntajes y asumiendo responsabilidad por su progreso. Esto es perseverancia académica en acción

i-Ready: Compitiendo Contra Tu Mejor Versión

A partir del 2 de marzo, los estudiantes se comprometen a crecer en ELA (Artes del Lenguaje en Inglés) y Matemáticas mientras participan en una competencia sana y motivadora.

Esperamos ver:

- Mayor enfoque durante el aprendizaje independiente
- Estudiantes monitoreando y celebrando su progreso
- Salones reconociendo avances medibles
- Competencia basada en el apoyo y el crecimiento

Celebrando a Nuestros Defensores (Upstanders)

Me siento especialmente orgullosa de nuestros estudiantes y personal que modelan lo que significa ser un defensor: alzar la voz cuando algo no está bien, proteger la dignidad de los demás, liderar con valentía y elegir la integridad por encima de la popularidad. Nuestros maestros no solo imparten instrucción; están formando carácter. Cuando los estudiantes se sienten seguros, respetados y apoyados, el logro académico es el resultado.

Orgullo en Nuestros Estudiantes

Como su directora, me siento orgullosa.

Orgullosa de nuestros estudiantes que:

- Toman en serio la retroalimentación
- Se recuperan después de cometer errores
- Animan a sus compañeros
- Eligen el crecimiento en lugar de las excusas

Así es como se ve el "March Madness" en Luisa Dessus Cruz.

No es caos. No es ruido. Es determinación enfocada.

Con gratitud y orgullo,

Dra. Liza Ortiz

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Fechas Importantes

- 2 de marzo – Comienza la competencia de i-Ready de ELA y Matemáticas; Spirit Day para los grados 6º–8º
- 4 de marzo – Feria de Ciencias
- 5 de marzo – Día de Vestir Libre (Dress Down Day) y distribución de los informes de progreso
- 6 de marzo – Spirit Day para los grados 6º–8º
- 10 de marzo – Caminata de Aprendizaje para Padres a las 8:30 a. m.; Taller de DI (Differentiated Instruction) a las 3:30 p. m.
- 11 de marzo – Preparación para el Examen de Práctica de ELA, de 2:30 p. m. a 4:30 p. m.
- 12 de marzo – Conferencias de Padres y Maestros (Mediodía y Noche)
- 14 de marzo – Spirit Day para los grados 6º–8º; Mitad del Trimestre / Half Day
- 17 de marzo – Asamblea de Grado (Grade Townhall)
- 18 de marzo – Preparación para el Examen de Matemáticas, 2:30–4:30 p. m.
- 19 de marzo – Reunión del SLT a las 4:30 p. m. (Salón 112)
- 20 de marzo – Eid al-Fitr (Escuelas cerradas)
- 25 de marzo – Preparación para el Examen de ELA, 2:30–4:30 p. m.
- 26 de marzo – Reunión del Town Hall para Familias a las 8:30 a. m.; 26 de marzo – Reunión mensual de la PA a las 4:30 p. m. (Salón 112)
- 27 de marzo – Club Day
- 28 de marzo – MBK Gala
- 31 de marzo – Termina la competencia de i-Ready de ELA y Matemáticas; Spirit Day para los grados 6º–8º