



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **ADMISSION-FREE MUSEUM FIELD TRIPS AVAILABLE FOR BAY, MIDLAND AND SAGINAW SCHOOLS**

**SAGINAW, MI – January 18, 2018:** Admission-free field trips for schools, as well as agencies serving vulnerable youth, can be scheduled today! Sponsored by local foundations and businesses, these field trips allow our community's youth to explore the ten interactive STEM-rich galleries of the Mid-Michigan Children's Museum at no-charge.

Second grade students will learn the unique properties of air and water while enjoying gallery-play during *2<sup>nd</sup> Graders Are 1<sup>st</sup> Class* field trips. The STEM-based experiments with the museum's air and water exhibits align with Michigan Common Core standards and cannot be duplicated in a classroom setting. Any public, parochial or charter school within Bay, Midland and Saginaw counties can schedule its admission-free second grade field trip today! **Full-admission and limited transportation scholarships** are generously provided by Frank N. Andersen Foundation, Dow Corning Donor Advised Funds, William F. McNally Family Foundation, Allen E. and Marie A. Nickless Memorial Foundation, and Wickson-Link Memorial Foundation.

Additionally, Chemical Bank and the James R. & Anita Horne Jenkins Family Foundation have provided **admission funding for children from schools receiving Title 1 funding as well as nonprofit organizations** serving at-risk and vulnerable youth.

The Mid-Michigan Children's Museum is the only hands-on museum in our region created solely for children ages newborn through 10 years old. Each gallery is designed by children's museum specialists and educators to ensure that children are educationally engaged as they play.

For more information about our admission-free field trips, please call MMCM at (989) 399-6626.

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#### **About the Mid-Michigan Children's Museum**

The Mid-Michigan Children's Museum is a local 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to providing a hands-on, *Play and Learn* environment that inspires children to use their curiosity and creativity to learn about the wonders of our world. For more information, call (989) 399-6626 or visit [michildrensmuseum.org](http://michildrensmuseum.org).