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The MLK Social Justice Art Bowl is a reading competition designed to encourage the love of reading, promote literacy and immerse students in topics of social justice. Each student is responsible for reading two books, including one fiction and one non-fiction selection. Students read the assigned books and prepare with their coaches and teammates for the competition. Refreshments served at 5:30 p.m. Both competitions began in October and culminate in January.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 11**

“The Courage to Create” poetry reading and competition awards reception, 4:30 to 6 p.m. Trine Building Multicultural Center, Western Michigan University

The Courage to Create Program is a writing and research competition designed to encourage the love of poetry, student research in the role of writers as agents for social change, and to promote literacy in middle and high school students. The program exposes young people to various genres of poetry and will provide a forum for parents and families, local writers, literacy experts and faculty, staff and students from local higher education institutions to build a supportive community to foster youth's creative writing and historical research activities. The Courage to Create Program is open to all middle and high school students. Poets are welcome to enter poetry on themes of social justice and equality.

**FRIDAY, JAN. 12**

Community Reflection, 11 a.m. Stetson Chapel, Kalamazoo College

Speakers include Kalamazoo College students, faculty, staff and administrators.

**SATURDAY, JAN. 13**

Public School Students’ Visitations, 8:45 a.m. registration Bernhard Center East Ballroom, Western Michigan University

High school and middle school students and families have the opportunity to attend a variety of fun and educational workshops. The event is open to families from Kalamazoo Public Schools and the surrounding school districts.