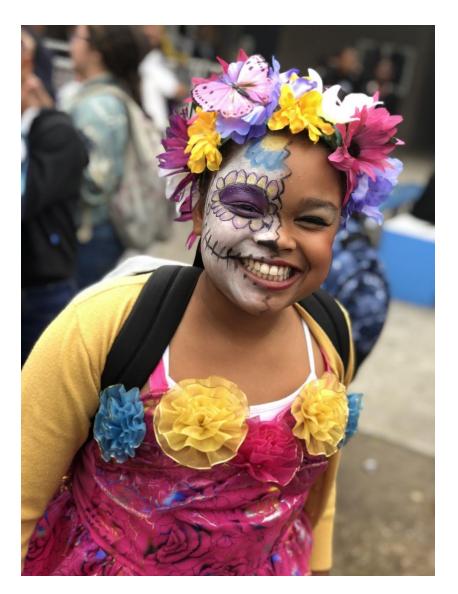


Mrs. Houston's Monday Memo

# Dia de los Muertos...

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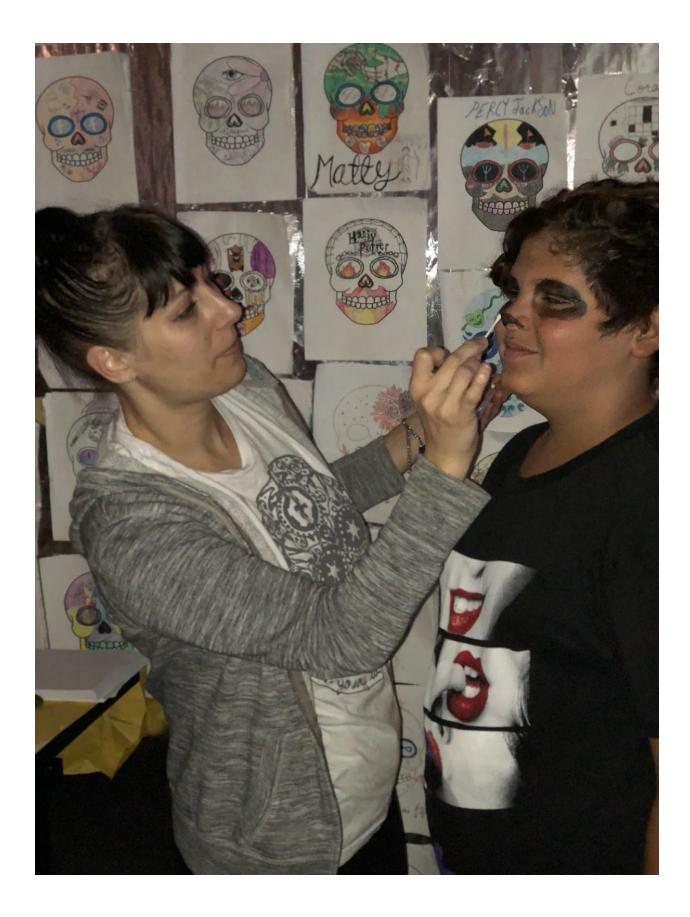
#### by Amber Houston on November 6, 2017

We celebrated Dia de los Muertos this past Thursday headed up by a team of cross-curricular teachers: Spanish teacher, Ms. Salazar, ELA teacher, Ms. Stewart, Drama/Stagecraft teacher, Mr. Wardle, Home Ec teacher, Mrs. Harpst, and Journalism teacher, Ms. Hind. I just love how we take this cultural event and make it relevant, meaningful and a way to teach our kids not only content area knowledge, but also the appreciation of diversity. Students enter with a "passport" stamp card and must travel to all stations in our MPR ranging from trying the food of Mexico, to reading poems, viewing the altar, and making crafts. A huge thank you to the parents who helped, volunteered, donated and came to participate! I truly value days and experiences like this for our kids!













### **Important Upcoming Dates:**

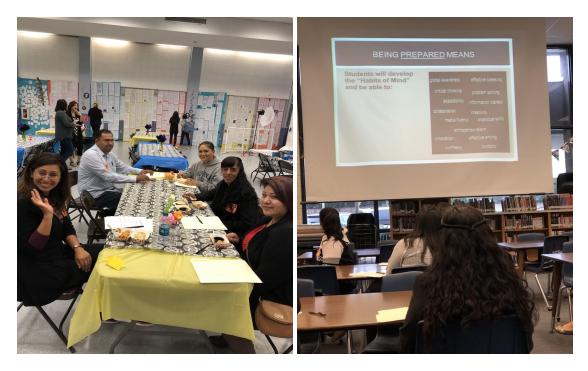
- Coffee Chat, Mental Health Tuesday 11/7 @9am.
- ELAC Meeting, Tuesday 11/7 @10am.
- Parent Leadership Academy @KPAC 11/7.
- Drama Fall Show: 11/8,11/9. Afternoon and Evening Shows.
- No School Friday 11/10.
- SSC 11/14 in Library Conference Room.
- Band Show 11/16 Gym.

## \*\*\*\* COME CHECK OUT OUR DRAMA'S PRODUCTION OF HOODY! THIS WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY!

# THIS WEEK'S TOP STORIES

#### Parent Learning Walk

We had our 4th parent learning walk this past week where Mrs. Houston and our FaCES Mr. Barba led an English and Spanish walk with roughly 20 of our parents. We opened with our LDC, Mrs. Bernhard connecting the dots between our district and school vision for our students and how the school to school partnership is vital in student success We visited VAPA classes, PE, Math and our cross curricular project with ELA, Journalism, Spanish and Home Ec. Stay tuned for our next walk which gives parents a snapshot a typical day at Lexington.





#### KINDNESS MATTERS AWARD

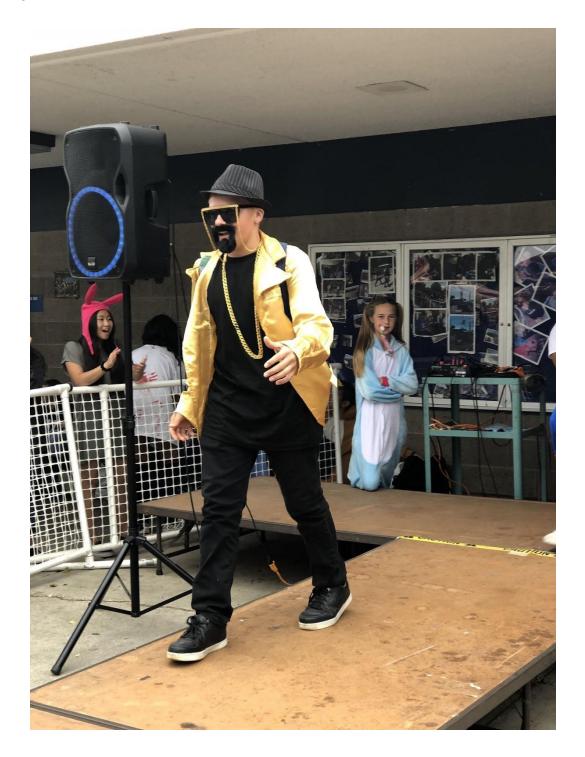
This past Board Meeting I was able to honor our Attendance Clerk, Ms. Crumley---she awarded our district's kindness matters award.

Ms. Crumley is the kindest person you will ever meet. I have worked with her for the last three years – but I can assure you her kindness extends long before my encounter with her. I have listened to her warm and welcoming customer service with our community and just stand in awe of her compassion, character, and positive demeanor. She loves our school, city, and our kids! Ms. Crumley has a job that really gets no kudos or rewards. Her role is to get parents to call about absences, clear them, and have hard conversations with our parents and students. She does it all with such diplomacy and class, that every parent leaves smiling and cooperating. She also sponsors 20-30 students anonymously for the Lexington Foundation "Fun Run", by matching their donations to allow for a grand prize winner. Thank you Ms. Crumley for loving your neighbor more than yourself!



#### Halloween Fun

This week wouldn't have been complete without a little Halloween fun. Here are some cool pictures of our students and teachers dressing up for this silly holiday! ASB hosted a costume runway contest at lunch---the competition is fierce at Lexington!







#### KINDNESS COOKIES ARE HERE

We have started selling our Kindness Cookies---\$5 a box makes you part of the kindness movement! Anaheim was named the City of Kindness and AUHSD has partnered in spreading this movement. Gourmet Foods sponsored our AUHSD students and teachers in the creation of this very cool project that afforded our AUHSD students with the opportunity to create, market, and sell this idea. The proceeds from the cookies will go to fund paid internship for our AUHSD high school students as well as Lexington's Journalism and Speech programs. Get yours today! You can purchase these at lunch in the quad or you may purchase them from Mrs. Sanchez in the Main Office.



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