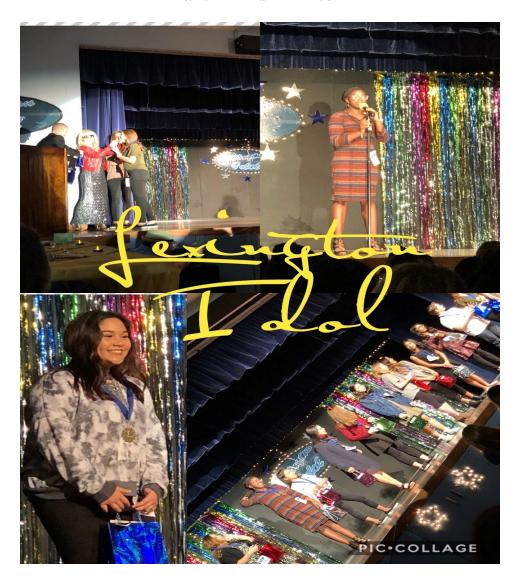


Mrs. Houston's Monday Memo

Lexington Idol...



by Amber Houston on February 12, 2018

LEX IDOL 2018

Mrs. Batinga nailed another awesome Lexington Idol. There were guest performances by Lady Gaga, the 2017 Lexington Idol and our 2018 Best Dance Crew winner. MC Ryan Seacrest (Mr. C) entertained us with his antics---while judges Harry Connick Jr (Mr. Pfeiffer), Blake Shelton (Mr. Coombs), and Lady Gaga (Ms. Stewart) gave constructive feedback, productive praise---and even some funny jokes! Mr. Wardle's stagecraft did an amazing job with sound, lighting and flow of the show! This show is a perfect example of our COR (Communication, Ownership and Relevancy).

The winners are:

PEOPLE'S CHOICE ENSEMBLE

Isabelle Vizcarrondo & Lauren Porteneuve

PEOPLE'S CHOICE SOLO

Cameron Holmes

JUDGE'S ENSEMBLE CHOICES

- 3rd Julie Mai & Navya Sharma
- 2nd Brooke Beukelman & Emily Anesi
- 1st **Isabelle Vizcarrondo & Lauren Porteneuve** JUDGE'S SOLO CHOICES
- 7th Nikki Thach
- 6th Caroline Kraemer
- 5th Clarissa Molina-Rodriguez
- 4th Ysabel Niebres
- 3rd Journey Johnson
- 2nd Amber Galante

1st – "LEXINGTON IDOL" Kalani Arzaga





Important Upcoming Dates:

- Science Fair in MPR, February 13 8:45am-11:00am.
- NO SCHOOL-Monday February 12 or February 19.
- Dress Code---no rips, torn clothing, frayed, tights, leggings.
- Bikes and Boards must be locked in our bike rack area. Detentions will be assigned starting Monday if left without lock.
- Please do not block our school driveway-our busses and emergency vehicles need that clear to enter.

THIS WEEK'S TOP STORIES

AUHSD PLEDGE/LEXPECTATIONS

We had a district student alumni from Anaheim High School visit our Coffee Chat this past week. He was awesome and presented on our AUHSD Pledge, LEXpectations and the AIME program. If you missed it---please contact Jonathan Barba our FaCES at <u>barba_j@auhsd.us</u>.

Lexington Lions are getting college, career AND life ready! Students, be sure to finish your 10 LEXpectations so you can go on the field trip. Remember, 7th graders will go to UCI---the University of California at Irvine, and the 8th graders will go to USC---the University of Southern California. The first 150 students in each grade level that finish 10 LEXpectations will get to go. Bring those LEXpectations to one of the counselors, to an administrator or to someone in the main office and we will sign off on them. Let's get college and career ready! All students received the cards last week, however, you can see them below or print them from here as well.



LEXPECTATIONS



ANAHEIM ASSISTANCE LEAGUE

The Anaheim Assistance League made a visit to us this past week after ASB director Mr. Cornelius wrote a grant request and received almost \$4,000 worth of technology and equipment for our ASB and VAPA programs. Speakers, wireless headsets, sound boards, and more! All of these items will enhance our programs and presentations for all our students! We are so thankful of this caring and giving organization. A huge thank you to Anaheim Assistance League for giving and supporting our kids!

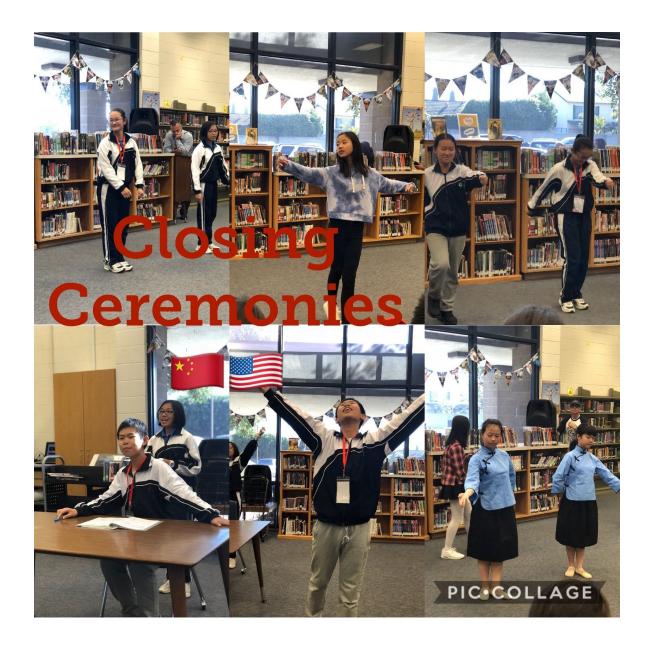




MORE VISITORS FROM CHINA

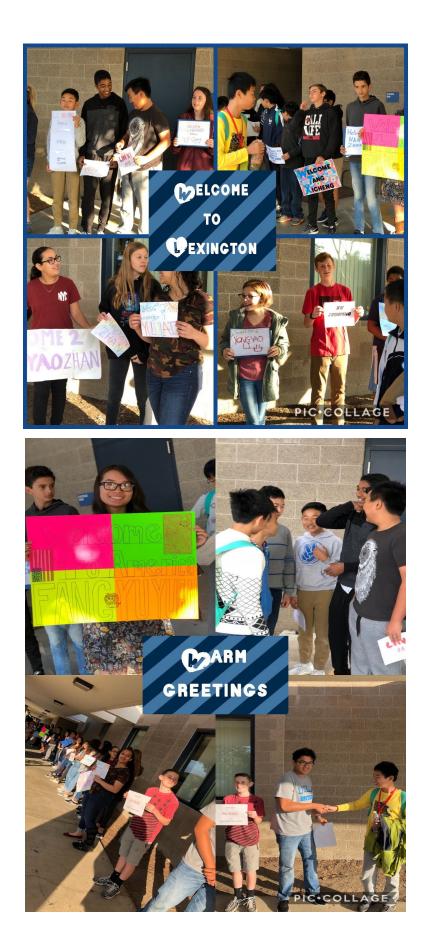
We hosted another 26 students from China this past week. I want to thank our Lexington Ambassadors as well as our teachers who have opened their minds and hearts to these students. This experience was so meaningful---the students made some friends here at Lexington where there were some tears when it was time to say goodbye. During the closing ceremonies-our choir presented them with some songs, and they in return performed some entertainment. All of our Lexington students are now asking--"When do we get to go to their school?" I love that our students are so curious and open to new experiences! I actually hosted two of the students in my home as well---I learned so much in the short time they stayed with me. My own children picking up at home where school left off. We took Lucy and Cherish to the beach, our favorite restaurant, and played American games with them. I even learned more about Chinese New Year---Happy Year of the Dog Friends!









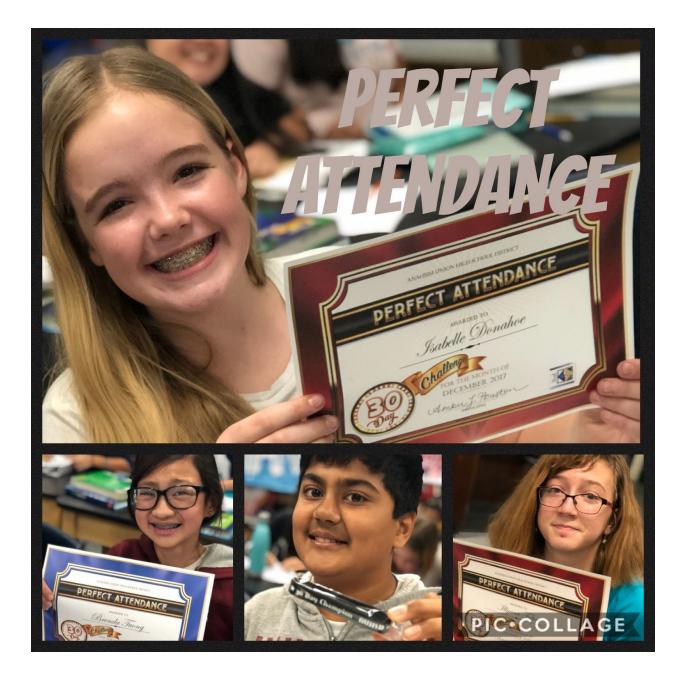




Perfect attendance

Congratulations to all our students who received perfect attendance recognition for December and January! They were awarded with district certificates and wristbands this past week in their period 7 classes! I am proud to announce that Lexington Junior High School was the top junior high with perfect attendance!

#lexisbest@everything



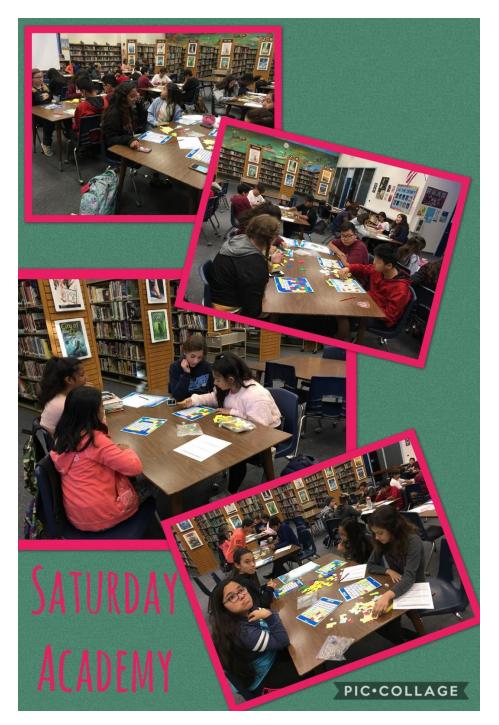
SPORTS ATHLETICS

We hosted our first cross country meet of the season. We welcomed all the other junior high schools in our district in this competition that took place on Thursday after school. Thank you for all the parental and staff support at this meet. It is so awesome to see so many supportive adults that make these events go smoothly. A huge shout out to our coaches---way to go! Stay tuned for other intramurals that will be starting in the next week!



<u> saturday асарету госкз</u>

Our last Saturday Academy was a success, and we will be hosting our next one on February 24th. This day will highlight math, technology and sports in our gym! Remember everyone is welcome!!! Sign up with our attendance office. Tickets will go home next week!



LEXINGTON LEADERSHIP TEAM

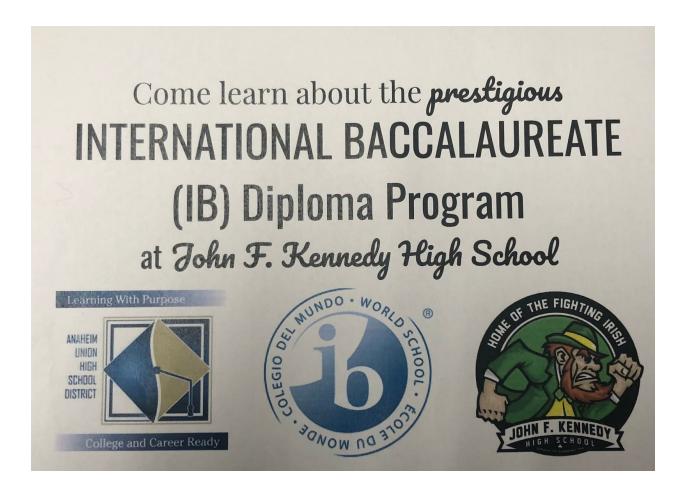
We are part of a district that promotes growth and commitment to kids! We got to be part of an amazing professional development day where we aligned, planned and got prepared to execute our vision to our Lexington students. It was a reflective day to see where we are, where we want to be and how to get there---most importantly the WHY? Why do we do what we do...we all may have a different why that we experienced at some point in our lives and careers, but it brought us all together for your kids.



Attention 8th grade families----Kennedy High Schools IB Program

Attached is a letter that went out via USPS mail last week and through Aeries Communicator to all families of students currently in Grade 8 who have a 3.5 GPA and enrolled in either Math 8 Honors or English 8 Honors.

If you would like additional information or guidance, please contact the IB Diploma Program Coordinators, Mrs. Helton or Mrs. Foy, at (714) 220-4101 or via email at helton_c@auhsd.us or foy_j@auhsd.us.





Girls in Ocean Science Conferences

MIDDLE SCHOOL FEB. 24TH HIGH SCHOOL MARCH 17TH 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Special Guest Scientists:

Salty Girl Seafood founder Norah Eddy Marine Geochemist Emily Klein Nautical Archeologist Rebecca Ingram USC Researcher Dr. Diane Kim

Empowering Future Leaders

Spend the day conducting research with leading scientists in our labs and at sea on the *R/V Sea Explorer*.

\$50 per student

Limited space available. Includes breakfast, lunch and a tee shirt. Members receive a 10% discount.

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