## 05/14/2018

#### Monday Memo

Dear LHS family,

Last week was a tough week while we waited on the news of Angelique and then heard Friday night that she passed. Our hearts go out to her family, friends and all those affected this tragedy. Words cannot describe the sadness and heartache her loss means to our school community. We offered grief counseling on Saturday afternoon for students, staff and families. Tomorrow will be difficult for students as they return to school with the knowledge of losing their friend. Dave Robinson will send out a separate email regarding tomorrow. We will also let you know about the arrangements once we know. Thanks to our grief counseling team, and especially our C house team as this has been an extremely difficult time for all of them.

Last week was busy one which included a trip to Boston for a presentation alongside Perkins Eastman at the MSBA regarding the new building and recently approved renovation plan 3A. Roxane and I will update you in more detail regarding next steps in a separate email at a later date.

FYI - I will not be sending a Monday Memo next Monday as I will be out of the building on Monday and Tuesday. The next one will be Tuesday, 5/29 which is the day after Memorial Day.

# **DID YOU KNOW?**



Two of our students (Isaac Petruzziello, a senior at LHS, interning with the National Parks Service and Brendan Cronin, also a senior at LHS, intern at Watermark Environmental Inc.) representing LHS spoke at a Breakfast Roundtable Discussion with the Governor's STEM Advisory Council and High School Educators from Greater Lowell. The event was held at Tewksbury High School where Lyn Blouin, Stephanie Selvaggio, and I were in attendance from LHS along with LZ Nunn from Project Learn and Martie Cohen from Central Office.

See the link below for more information.

http://www.lowellsun.com/todaysheadlines/ci 31869938/stem-learning-doesnt-end-classroom



The Options Fair was very successful with over 200+ students in attendance and 21 representatives from various trade/technical programs, employers and military reps. Teachers brought down classes and at one point, it was almost too crowded which wasn't a bad thing!

The La Chic and Tux Boutique had a fashion show and grand opening on Wednesday thanks to our students and Dr. Vejar and her team for making this boutique a reality! We are also grateful for the many contributions from staff and community members as well.



### THANK YOU!

Thanks to our culinary students under the direction of Chef Therese Packard for the staff appreciation treats on Friday. The picture below shows students preparing the treats to be delivered to each office area. They were delicious, thanks to all who prepared and delivered them!





### CONGRATULATIONS!

A big shout out to all of our many students who participated in the Friday Night Dance Concert! What a great LHS event - I have never seen anything like it. Our students danced their hearts out and obviously enjoyed every minute! The auditorium was packed with beaming parents, family members and friends. Thanks to our dance teachers who are there day in and day out making sure our students have the opportunity to participate and enjoy all of these classes. Congratulations to our many students who received scholarship awards on Tuesday evening at the Honors Awards Night! Thanks to Karyn Cassidy and her team of helpers who spent many hours preparing for this event and making sure it ran smoothly. Pictured below is Eric Roy receiving the Titus Plomaritis Scholarship from Titus Plomaritis.





Congrats also to the many JROTC students who received awards at the Annual Awards Night on Thursday evening and to the many donors who made the evening possible.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Date	Day	Event and Time	
5/7-5/18	Mon-Fri	AP Exams continue	
5/14	Mon	Friends of Lowell High School Meeting	7:00PM Little Theater
5/18	Fri	Spring Music Concert	7:00PM Auditorium
5/21-5/25	Mon-Fri	Senior Final Assessments	
5/22	Tues	Senior Pathway Externship Exhibit	7:45-9:00AM Little Theater

Have a great week everyone!

Best, Marianne



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