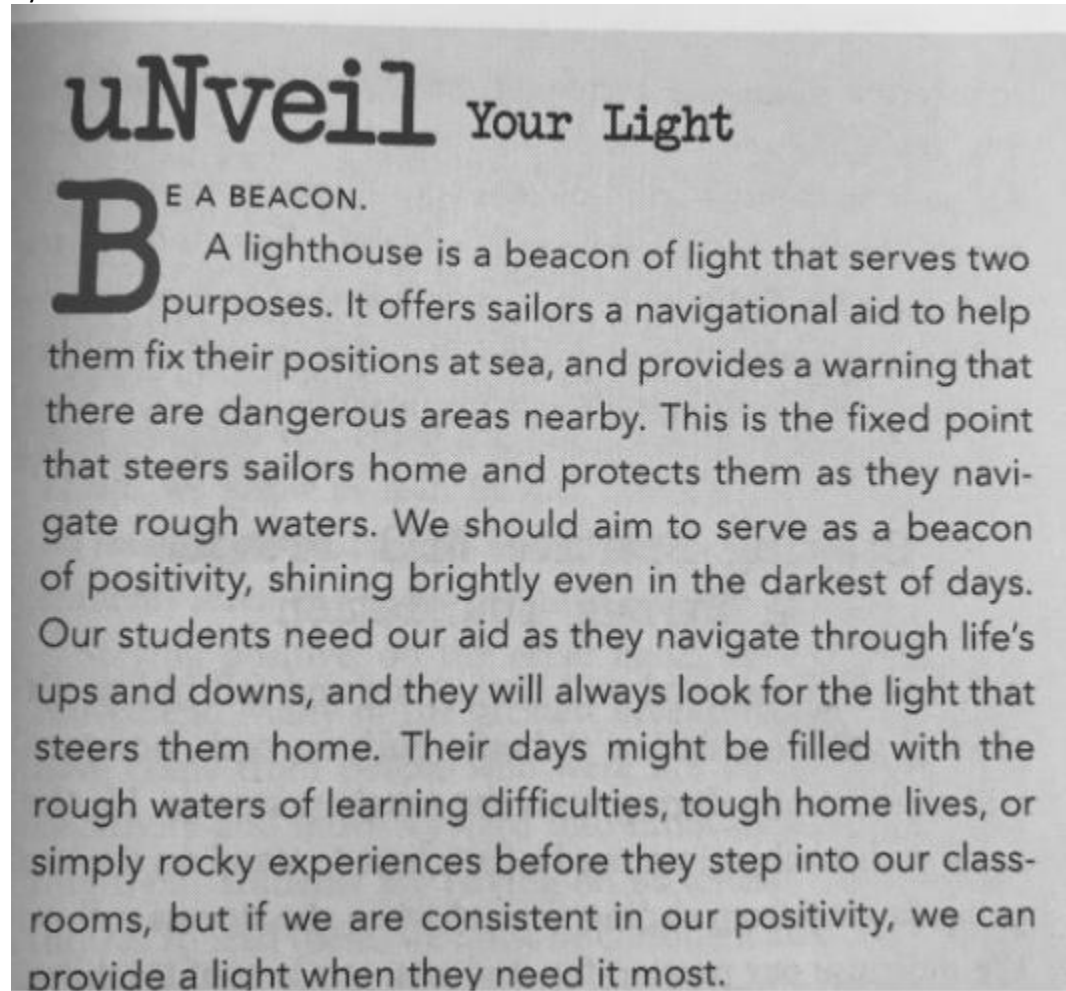


Good evening LHS family,

Welcome back from holiday break - I hope everyone had time to relax, refresh and enjoy. I am looking forward to a very productive and positive Lowell High School new year together! Our students deserve it, and we do too! How do you see your work in the new year - do you see challenges or opportunities or both? Together, let's continue to provide a learning environment where all students feel welcome and supported in order to learn at their full potential. Let's be the light they need during their high school years.

by Chuck Poole



#### **UPDATES ON OUR SCHOOL BUILDING**

There has been a great deal of attention paid to facility issues over the break. The roof was worked on and heating issues continue to be identified and addressed. The city is aware of our concerns and they are working toward addressing them as quickly as possible. Roxane and I are in constant contact with Superintendent Durkin and Ricky Underwood, and plan to update you as we continue to make progress.

As a reminder - if your classroom temperature is not conducive to learning, please make sure to check the available rooms list and let the main office know if you plan to move your classroom to one of the open rooms (attached is the list that was sent out previously).

Some extra good news - our furry visitor count is way down and we appear to be in a much better situation throughout the school. Let us know if this is not the case.

### BRIGHT SPOTS:

Holiday messages in different languages!



From Susan Brassard - some of my students posted holiday messages on my whiteboard in their native languages and languages they are currently learning in school. We thought this was a great way to make everyone feel included. Thanks to Susan and her students for sharing these with us!

Visiting the Reilly!



Our trip to the Reilly School on Friday 12/21 to spread some holiday cheer - our student elves, Santa and Mrs. Claus were a big hit as evidenced by the loud cheering! I forgot how excited 500 elementary school students can be on the day before holiday break! They were adorable!

**WINTER CONCERT!**



Congrats to Jim Lutz and Michael Winslow and all of our talented students for their Winter Concert on Thursday 12/20 - what a wonderful start to the holiday break!



**CONGRATULATIONS!**



B house celebrates the early action acceptance to MIT!  
Congratulations Katherine Huang!

**REMINDERS:**

**First Semester Assessment Schedule:**

- Monday (1/21): NO SCHOOL
- Tuesday (1/22): Foreign Languages & English/ELL
- Wednesday (1/23): Math, Business & FCS
- Thursday (1/24): Science & Health/PE/ROTC
- Friday (1/25): Social Studies & Fine Arts

Reminder - the first meeting of our staff voice team is on Wednesday 1/9 at 12:00pm in the teach-out room 306 (lunch included).

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

<b>January 8 and 10</b>	<b>Tues and Thurs.</b>	<b>Access Testing</b>		
<b>January 9</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Early Release</b>		
<b>January 9</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>1st Staff Voice Meeting</b>	<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>306</b>
<b>January 10</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>LHS Dance Concert</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Auditorium</b>
<b>January 12</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>AFJROTC All School Dance</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Gym</b>
<b>Jan. 14</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Latin Lyceum Parent Assoc. Mtg.</b>	<b>6:00pm – 7:00pm</b>	<b>L.T.</b>
<b>Jan. 14</b>	<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Friends of Lowell High School Mtg.</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>L.T.</b>
<b>Jan. 19</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Mill City Show Choir Festival</b>	<b>8:00am-11:00pm</b>	<b>LHS Aud.</b>
<b>Jan. 21</b>	<b>Mon.</b>	<b>No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b>		
<b>Jan. 22</b>	<b>Tues.</b>	<b>Honors Night Application Opens</b>	<b>Period 2</b>	<b>LHS Aud.</b>
<b>Jan. 25</b>	<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Schoolhouse Breakfast with all staff- Host: C House Office</b>	<b>7:15am-7:45am</b>	<b>L.T.</b>
<b>Jan. 22-25</b>	<b>Tues.-Fri.</b>	<b>First Semester Assessments</b>		
<b>Jan. 28</b>	<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Q3 Begins</b>		

Have an outstanding first three school days of the 2019 New Year! I look forward to seeing everyone tomorrow:)

Marianne



Head of School  
Lowell High School