

### **401 Bioeducational News**

This month Lighthouse School launched it's 2020 basketball season, with class members playing for both the varsity and junior varsity team. Practices were on Wednesdays and games were held on Thursdays. The varsity team already has one victory in the books. The school provided students of 401 the opportunity to sign up for a make your pizza event and to go bowling. Next month several members of the classroom signed up for a trip to the American Heritage Museum and for a corn hole tournament. During group the classroom examined adversity, along with identifying emotions and where the stigma for having feelings comes from. The students continued to separate into various electives this month. The next quarter will be the 400 cluster Launch of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). In the morning students have an opportunity to participate in writer's workshop, where they respond to a current event writing prompt.

### **402 Bioeducational News**

Welcome to a new year, and a new decade, happy 2020! As a school and homeroom we have started off the new year strong. With a Biology MCAS around the corner we have been practicing open response questions to go in as strong as possible in to the test. We enjoyed some great basketball games and practices, for both varsity and junior varsity. Students had the opportunity to participate in our annual Healthy Smiles event, with the chance for a free checkup and cleaning here at Lighthouse School. 402 Students won the holiday window decorations and we were able to celebrate with a pizza party for the room. We also have been focusing on academic output for students and had the chance to earn Chinese food for completing assignments for all subjects. To wrap up the month with some interactive fun, the cluster participated in a scavenger hunt.

### **403 Bioeducational News**

We welcomed the start of 2020 and look forward to a new, exciting, and challenging year ahead. The start of the year is traditionally a time to take stock of and re-evaluate our personal goals and reset or adjust them accordingly as we continue with self-exploration and growth. This has been a recurring theme in 403 over the past month as we celebrated one friend changing homeroom and welcomed three new classmates. Quarter 3 of the academic calendar has started, and we have wrapped up our series of electives and began our focus on STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics) projects and all students are engaged in these interesting assignments. Group Therapy and classroom discussions focused on the meaning of Growth and in February will focus on the school-wide theme of Social Responsibility. Finally, there were plenty of extracurricular activities that took place throughout the month, including Girls Group, pizza making and bowling. There were varsity and junior varsity basketball games played that required spectators to cheer our teams on, so we encouraged all of our students to choose an activity they would like to attend and save their tokens toward it. Happy New Year!

### **404 Bioeducational News**

We really hit the ground running as we began the new year. Our bioeducational theme this month was growth and the homeroom worked on demonstrating their understanding of the term. We've had some changes to the homeroom as 3 of our students have changed homerooms and we welcomed 3 new students to the room. Although as difficult as it can be everyone has done a great job making the new students feel like they are part of the 404 family. Our homeroom buckled down and prepared for the end of the second quarter by completing unfinished assignments to submit to teachers. In Group Therapy, the students discussed what growth meant to them and spoke on how they have grown since the beginning of the school year. The Lighthouse Breakers JV and Varsity Basketball seasons kicked off this month and the competition has been fierce. Next month, we shift our focus to social responsibility, which we are positive our homeroom will have no trouble exploring.

### **405 Bioeducational News**

Happy New Year! 2020 has gotten off to a wonderful start at Lighthouse School. Our theme of the month was growth, which allowed the students to reflect on difficult situations and how they have bounced back. Volunteer dentists returned to give select students checkups as part of the program Healthy Smiles. The third quarter starts the elective STEM. STEM is the acronym Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. The students will be conducting various hands on projects that encourage imagination as well as learning how to document information. This will be a great opportunity for everyone to socialize appropriately as well as work as part of a group. We all look forward to the experience.

### **406 Bioeducational News**

Happy New Year! We have been off to a good start in 2020! We hope everyone had a restful holiday break. The students in 406 had discussions related to their New Year's resolutions and how the start of 2020 is a great opportunity to make positive changes. They discussed what their resolutions were and whether they have followed through with them as the month progressed. Our monthly theme for January was Growth. In Group, the students discussed what growth meant to them, how they had met the goals they set for themselves and how they continue bettering themselves. They shared examples of changes they have seen in themselves as well as their peers in the classroom. For the third quarter, the 400 cluster has begun STEM (Science, Technology, Math and Engineering) for their elective. The first project we chose to do was to build bridges using various materials such as craft sticks, plastic cups, and cardboard. The students worked in teams to plan, create, improve and display their projects. The students continued to participate in "Writer's Workshop" each morning. We are very proud of the students and the improvements we have seen in their writing. They are expanding on their ideas, writing complete sentences and editing their work before they submit it.