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Bright Ideas from Thomas A. Edison's International Baccalaureate Office

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MYP Personal Projects

This month, sophomores finished their personal projects with a reflective report. Each 10th grade advisory class held a mini-showcase in their classrooms to share each project. Some teachers chose to have students present while others facilitated a gallery walk. Projects range from creating upcycling clothing (see pic on right with student Tatiana Enriquez) to training a horse to learning about the power of hugs. The projects are inspirational, and we can't wait to have a whole school showcase on April 25th! Go to the Edison webpage to see the flyer for more details.



The MYP Student Committee continues work improving the personal project at Edison.

IB Americas Pays Edison a Visit

Edison was selected to be showcased during the IB School Tour for the Head of U.S. Public Schools, David Weiss, and Laura Lane, World Schools Relationship Manager. Our school was selected for this extreme honor as a result of our size, diversity, and commitment to excellence within our Diploma and Middle Years Programmes. The IB Office was thrilled for this opportunity, and was delighted to pop in to several DP and MYP classrooms. Mr. Weiss was particularly interested in the dissection of chicken wings in IB Biology II.



EHS IB Students were amazing at the Black History Celebration!

Notes from the Coordinators

Heather Browne, Middle Years



- CLT leads met with the MYP Coordinator to further develop their subject group overviews (i.e. develop their MYP curriculum). Now, teams are hard at work writing more unit plans to create more inquiry-based units for our students. Teams will have at least 5 MYP unit plans to implement next school year.
- The Spanish CLT took a day to finish another MYP unit plan to implement with our students next year.
- Edison is hosting the FCPS MYP Academy Course with our MYP Coordinator as the instructor. Many Edison teachers from varying content areas are taking part to learn how to write conceptual unit plans.

Stacey Kiggins, Diploma

- IB students survived the first deadline! That's right! Extended Essays, Prescribed Titles, TOK Presentations, Written Tasks and Assignments are IN!! When you see the diploma teachers and Extended Essay supervisors, give them all high-fives because that deadline passed quietly, with naught to show for it but excellent work.
- Spring Break is coming, and I hope both students and teachers use the time to relax, reflect, and practice good self-care. If you must work, I hope it is only to polish and refine. We need refreshed and invigorated minds for the assessments ahead!



Dates to Remember in March

- 3/23: MYP Personal Project Reports Due
- 3/26-3/30: Spring Break!

"No problem can withstand the assault of sustained thinking."

~Voltaire