

AISN'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, February 20th, 2019

Dates to Remember:

Monday, February 25th - Friday, March 1st - Internal ERB Testing - Grades 3-11

Thursday, March 14th - Pi Day; celebration of Mathematics

Monday, March 25th - Friday, March 29th - NO SCHOOL - Spring Break

Celebrating students through personal presentations: AISN will celebrate our students' many talents, whether musical, scientific, literary, artistic, or otherwise, in a special event called Personal Presentations. Please see the attached letter to gain more information. Each student needs to return his/her letter by Wednesday, February 27th.

Over 60 high school students attended AISN's College/Career Fair: On Saturday, February 16th, AISN hosted its 2nd annual College/Career Fair. We had over 30 representatives from various universities from America, Mauritania, Lebanon, Germany, and Scotland. Furthermore, representatives from the nursing field, World Health Organization, Peace Corps, Al Jazeera, French Campus, Education USA, and Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunizations were in attendance as well. In all, over 60 students from AISN and other local schools took part in the fair to learn more about the possibilities that await them after high school. Thank you to all participants and attendees for making this beneficial event a success for the community.

Miss Nelly's Beach Clean-up: To support their social studies unit on recycling, Ms. Nelly's Grade 1-2 class recently participated in a beach clean-up project by collecting over 15 bags of plastic bottles at a local beach! Thank you to Ms. Nelly's class for modeling good citizenship to the AISN community. The bottles they collected will be given to the recycling housing project sponsored by the local NGO ADRA Mauritania.

College acceptances are arriving for our Seniors. Congratulations to our students that have been accepted to: *In the US: California University of Pennsylvania, Drew University, George Mason University, Hult University - Boston, Saint John's University, Suffolk University. In the UK: Hallow University, Hartpury College, Hult University, London City University, Newcastle University.*

Scholarship Money is also being awarded to our Seniors. Congratulations to our students who have been offered the followings scholarships: *Academic Promise Scholarship (\$13,000), Legacy Scholarship (\$1,000)*

Internal Writing Assessment for Grades 3-11: In addition to MAP testing, students in grades 3-11 also partake in an external writing assessment. The Writing Assessment Program (WrAP) published by Educational Records Bureau (ERB) is an essay-based assessment of student writing achievement. Students taking this assessment write a single essay on an assigned topic over a two-day period with the first day devoted to a rough draft and the second day devoted to a final draft. The administration procedure is designed to imitate the ongoing process of writing that usually requires planning, writing, reflecting, and revising. During the week of February 25th, students in grades 3-11 will take a practice writing assessment to prepare for the formal writing assessment to be administered in April. For more information about the ERB, please contact your child's language arts teacher.