MSMHS FISH TALES



CAPT Performance Amongst All CT HS

BACK TO SCHOOL EDITION!

that are true from the desk of Dr. Spera

Week of September 2, 2014

MSMHS RANKS 10TH IN THE STATE FOR SCIENCE CAPT SCORES!!

TOP 10 HS FOR SCIENCE CAPT # **CONNECTICUT HIGH SCHOOLS** 1 Joel Barlow HS -Region 9 2 **Staples HS - Westport** 3 Simsbury HS 4 **New Canaan HS** 5 **Weston HS** 6 **Ridgefield HS** 7 Masuk HS - Monroe 8 **South Windsor HS** 9 **Granby HS**

MSMHS - LEARN

GROTON, CT - For the third year in a row, the teachers and students did it again! With the mindset that 'effort creates ability' and the grit to battle through tough concepts and skills needed for success, the class of 2016 outperformed all but nine high schools in the entire state of Connecticut on the Science CAPT!

This past year, the MSMHS science teachers did an outstanding job of using multiple sources of data to create lesson plans in the classroom to improve the skills of our 77 students. Due to the incredible efforts

of our students, the 77 students were able to place themselves 10th overall in percentage of goal and above on the science portion on the CAPT. 77.9% of MSMHS students scored goal and above with 96.1% scoring proficient and above. Beginning last school year, the CT Department of Education made the science portion of the CAPT the only mandated section because of the transition to the Common Core test, Smarter Balanced.

In addition to these results, 40 (51.9%) MSMHS students scored an 'Advanced' (5) on the science CAPT! This percentage was the highest percentage in school history!

Please take time to reflect on the tremendous efforts that were put forth by our teachers students, and parents which made these results a reality. **EFFORT DOES CREATE ABILITY!**

PROJECT O TRIP SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER '14



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Filming of the 2013 Lip Dub at Project O.

GROTON, CT - This week will be the first round of boat trips for freshmen, sophomore, and Field Research students. Beginning on Thursday, students will be boarding busses to Avery Point where they will experience the Project O's Enviro-lab Boat.

Freshmen will be introduced to the boat, water testing, and have an opportunity to see what is living in Long Island Sound. The sophomores will expand their knowledge of navigation and charting in this authentic learning experience. Below is the chart of the classes attending Project O this month. Be sure to dress warm!

DATE (A/B Day)	Classes Attending (# of students attending)
9/4 (B)	Per 5 – Marine Studies I – Howard (7)
	Per 8 – Marine Studies I - Medvedev (11)
9/11 (A)	Per 1 – Marine Studies I – Medvedev (16)
	Per 2 – Marine Studies I - Howard (17)
	Per 4 – Marine Studies I – Howard (9)
9/12 (B)	All Field Research Classes (Blocks 3, 7, 8)
9/19 (A)	Per 1 – Marine Studies II – Howard (16)
	Per 3 – Marine Studies II - Litvinoff (15)
	Per 4 – Marine Studies II – Litvinoff (16)
9/24 (B)	Per 5 – Marine Studies II – Litvinoff (20)
	Per 8 – Marine Studies II - Zimberlin (15)



UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS

COMING SOON....

MSMHS Clubs and Activities Schedule

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th

PTO Meeting @ 6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th

Back to School Night @ 6:30

Meet all of your student's teachers by following your student's schedule from Advisory through Block 8!

TELL OUR MSMHS STUDENTS THAT DR. SPERA SAID: "GET YOUR HOMEWORK DONE!"