Bullpup Bulletin

A.E. Phillips Laboratory School

Middle School

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



Middle School teachers at the LaTech girls basketball game.

TEAM. The definition of TEAM is a group of people with different skills and different tasks, who work together on a common project, service, or goal, with a meshing of functions and mutual support. Effective teams come together to pursue a common outcome and have a common goal they want to reach. That common goal is our students. There is no better middle school team than this one. As I reflect on this TEAM, I remember recently reading an article that said " most successful schools share a common trait: they teem with the spirit of team teaching which has huge benefits for students' academic and social growth." You can feel it when you walk on the grounds of AEP Middle School. This building buzzes with the energy of eager students. That buzz is an indicator that there's a whole lot of learning going on. And when you find a school that teems with the energy of learning, chances are there's a whole lot of *TEAMING* going on too.

What a great time to be an AEP Middle School Bullpup!

All Things Science

It has been such a busy year already in Mrs. Blount's 6th through 8th grade science classes. During the year our students have had the opportunity to learn about the properties of Light and Matter, Cells and Systems, Chemical Reactions and Energy, and Forces at a Distance, just to name a FEW. AEP Middle School students conduct experiments, participate as 7th graders in the Science Fair, use tools to gather and organize data, and learn how to make graphs to present their findings. Mrs. Blount creates an environment for students to actively participate, have meaningful conversation, and thus co-construct knowledge.

It is a GREAT time to be a Middle School Bullpup! Way to go Bullpups!





Middle School Student of the Year for Lincoln Parish Schools 22-23

Harper Anderson has been named our 8th Grade Student of the Year for Lincoln Parish Schools! We are so proud of Harper. She works so hard in and out of the classroom. We couldn't be more proud of you Harper!

Our Student Council met with Elizabeth McKinney, Louisiana Tech University SGA President, this month and discussed her role as President of SGA.

AEP Student Council On The Move

A.E. Phillips Student Council is an organization conducted by students with the help of their sponsors. The purpose of our student council is to give students an opportunity to develop leadership by organizing and carrying out school activities and service projects. In addition to helping with events that contribute to school spirit and community welfare, our student council is the voice of the student body. They help share student ideas, interests and concerns with the school wide community.

Our Student Council has been involved in the following this year:

- 1. Helping collect cans/dry goods for CCA
- 2. Monthly meetings on how to enhance our school and provide feedback from our students and their ideas
- 3. Met with Elizabeth McKinney, SGA President of Louisiana Tech University, .
- 4. Collected tickets for the 6th grade Madigral Performance
- 5. Pick up trash weekly after lunch to keep our campus clean

AEP Student Council is a vital entity of our school. Thank you students for representing our school well! Way to go Bullpups!

It is a great day to be a Middle School Bullpup!



Pictured with Superintendent Ricky Durrett as he surprised Harper during science with Mrs. Blount.

Madrigal Performance

The 6th grade had their traditional Madrigal Performance in November with the new leadership of Miss Toups. Miss Toups could not say enough good things about this sixth grade class.

"We are so proud of our 6th graders and the amazing madrigal performance that they were able to put on. It truly amazes me the amount of work that was put in with such a small amount of time. From speaking lines, to solos, to acting and dancing, our 6th graders can do it all."

Thank you Miss Toups for all of your hard work! It is truly a great time to be a Middle School Bullpup!



Pictured are Kynzlee McConnell, LKennon Roberson and Aisnslee Simspon at the 6th Grade Madrigal Performance

King Chickhaman

Did you know that King Tut had a pet chicken that was also mummified with him? Well that is probably not accurate but it makes for a good story! Our 6th grade students, with the help of Mrs. Ketchum, have been studying Egyptian culture and what better way to show our students how the mummification process works than by SHOWING them. Mrs. Ketchum created this activity to help students get involved in learning about the Egyptian beliefs in the afterlife and learning about the Egyptian social structure. What better way to learn about history than to see it for yourself! We can't wait to see how it turns out.

Thank you Mrs. Ketchum for all that you do to make learning fun and interesting!

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Mrs. Ketchum, demonstrating to a combined 6th grade in Mrs. Blount's room, the mummification process of a chicken.

Coach Stoehr and her Lady Techsters "Showed Up and Showed Out"



SnapShots

PEP RALLY FUN

MADRIGAL PERFORMANCE





STUDENT COUNCIL COLLECTED CANS FOR CCA



PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT







BULLPUP BROADCAST SINGING WITH THE GRINCH



THIS MONTH IN SCIENCE









THANK YOU MRS. WYNNE FOR ALL YOU DO FOR AEP CHEER!



VETERANS PROGRAM







MUMMIFICATION OF A CHICKEN OBSERVATION



Teacher Spotlight: Miss Annabelle Toups

I am from Shreveport, Louisiana and attended school at Calvary Baptist Academy. My love of music began at a very young age, playing the piano at 7. I spent 10 years studying and competing in piano, but when it came time for college, I thought it was time to be done with music. But, I decided to do one audition for a music department just to see what would happen, and I was so glad I did. After being offered a scholarship, I began studying voice in college and received my undergrad in Vocal Music Education in 2022.

I love all things music, all things outside and all things crafty. I enjoy going camping with friends and family, kayaking, and traveling.

A few fun facts about me:

- I am a fourth generation teacher (first to do music)
- I will be a bridesmaid in a wedding in El Salvador this January
- Neither of my parents are musical, but my brother and I have always taken a liking to music and instruments

We are extremely excited you are here at AEP Miss. Toups! Thank you for choosing AEP to be your home.

GO BULLPUPS!



Miss Toups pictured with her family at graduation.

