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Mineola Hosts League of Innovative Schools 2024 Convening

On March 19, the national spotlight shined on Mineola as the district hosted the League of Innovative Schools 2024 Convening, a conference attended by over 300 educational leaders and researchers from throughout the country.

During the visit, attendees got a firsthand look at Mineola's unique instructional curriculum in action and heard from the learners and educators who are engaged in these programs every day.

Groups visited all five schools and, with the guidance of our learners, immersed themselves in each of nine tracks, including Badges and Scales, Dual Language, Engage with Purpose, Fab Lab, Genius Hour, and SEL.

A highlight of the visit was their introduction to Synergy, the district's pioneering new structure for high school that redefines space, time and pace. Our Synergy learners led presentations on our courses that lead to industry certification, including health care, EMT and business programs, and showed off the transformative interactive learning platforms designed by Cisco and powered by Webex that allow for hybrid learning, virtual field trips, enhanced remote teaching and more.

We are incredibly #MineolaProud of the entire team of administrators, teachers and learners who provided our guests with an incomparable experience and showed them how Mineola is reshaping the future of education and offering our learners the best chance for a bright and successful future.

Scan the QR code to view the video that welcomed our guests and gave them a taste of what to expect during their visit to Mineola!



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Senior Class Secures Sweep in Battle of the Classes



Class of 2024 showed creativity, strength and inimitable school spirit as they dominated their younger classmates to take first place in both the hallway decorating and the Battle of the Classes competitions.

The games began on March 4 as each class took over a hallway and created unique interactive experiences, complete with costumes, decorations and performances. The group of judges awarded Class of 2024 first place for their Disney World-inspired "Senior World" display, followed by the juniors, sophomores, eighth graders and freshmen.

On March 5, the learners participated in the annual Battle of the Classes, a Mineola tradition where the students compete in a series of

challenges, including relay races, obstacle courses, tug of war and musical chairs. Once again, the seniors proved formidable and took first place, with juniors and sophomores tying for second place and freshmen and eighth graders sharing third place.



Alumni Spotlight

Monika Dharia, Class of 2015

The district congratulates Class of 2015 alumnus Monika Dharia on being recognized by the Forbes 30 Under 30 list of the brightest young entrepreneurs.

Monika is the founder and CEO of GreenGear Supply Company, a manufacturer of sustainable rain ponchos and bags for teams and events. She credits her Mineola education for putting her on a path to explore areas of interest from an early age and giving her the confidence to take risks, ask questions and reach higher. Her high school highlights include science research, woodworking, engineering and even physical education, as she plans to run the Boston Marathon this April!

We are #MineolaProud of Monika for her success and grateful to her for being an inspiring force for future business leaders and entrepreneurs.

Learn more about GreenGear and its mission by visiting GreenGearSupply.com.



#MineolaProud of Our NCWIT Award Winners

The National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT) recognized a Mineola learner and teacher with Aspirations in Computing Awards!

For the second consecutive year, Mineola High School senior Skyla Azeharie was recognized with the Aspirations in Computing High School Award for her computing aptitude, leadership and tenacity in the face of barriers to access. This year, Skyla was a national award winner, the only Long Island student to receive this honor.

Mineola High School computer science teacher Ms. Kuri DiFede received the National Aspirations in Computing Educator Award. This award identifies outstanding high school educators who play a pivotal role in promoting gender equity in computing and technology. Her efforts have had a positive impact on the enrollment, success and retention of our learners in CS programs.



Skyla Azeharie



Kuri DiFede

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