

Project Launch Newton Newsletter

September 30, 2016

Halsted Middle School

STEM & Enrichment Activities

As students have become acclimated to Project Launch, they have begun to enjoy the array of activities we have to offer!

On Friday, students were visited by Tom Pampalone, owner of the Dragon's Lair comic and game shop. He shared with students how he went about turning his hobby into his career. Students were bursting with questions during his visit, and they are anxiously looking forward to our next guest speaker.

The children spent much of the week designing their own comic books! Students created their short story, then drafted the designs for their comic. They were inspired by their guest speaker, and they have gone into great detail with their own creations. The stories are funny, scary, happy, and sweet as each student took the activity in their own direction. They are looking forward to sharing them with you at Family Fun Night on October 14th.

Micro Society Update

MicroSociety is a student-run community in which the children elect a Mayor, own shops, and institute laws. The children have begun to design their MicroSociety this week, and they are preparing to launch their society in the coming days. In addition to discussing the foundation of a society, the students have learned now to balance a check book and create a budget for their business. Their society will be up and running shortly!

Up and Coming Events

Please keep an eye out for permission slips and registration forms for these upcoming events!

- ⇒ Family Fun Night, October 14th;
- ⇒ **No Project Launch Newton**, November 7th—9th;
- ⇒ *Bronx Zoo Field Trip*, November 11th.

Bring Your Resume and a Smile to the Fall Career & Employment Fair!

Jump start your job search at the Fall Career & Job Fair at Project Self-Sufficiency on Thursday, October 20th from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. Job seekers, those who need assistance with job search techniques and people who need help navigating their current workplace are encouraged to attend. Practice mock interviews; learn networking strategies and other job search techniques. Learn about job openings and educational opportunities. The Career & Job Fair is free and open to the public; no registration is required.

New Jersey Youth Corps of Sussex County Serving Sussex and Northern Warren County

Earn Your High School Diploma, Get on-the-job Training, and Perform Paid Community Service

Need a high school diploma or know someone who does? The New Jersey Youth Corps of Sussex County operated by Project Self-Sufficiency offers young adults, ages 16-25, in Sussex and Northern Warren Counties who have not graduated from high school skills assessment, academic instruction, vocational training, resume development, interview skills coaching, job placement assistance, personal and career counseling, High School Equivalency testing, life skills and employability training, workplace experience through community service, transition services to college, a career or the military.

Participants are paid a weekly stipend for attendance. Free childcare and transportation available.

Program starts October 10th!
Call the New Jersey Youth Corps Hotline,
973-940-3510 to get started!

Please feel free to contact us at any time with questions, via email at <u>pln@projectlaunchnewton.org</u> or by calling Project Self-Sufficiency, at 973-940-3500. Visit our Facebook page, <u>www.facebook.com/ProjectLaunchNewton</u>.

