



The Lion's Roar

Millennium Charter Academy Events Worth Roaring About

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Student Leadership Supports JDRF

Last May 18, during MPACT's annual Spring Fling Day, you may recall that the Student Leadership Council hosted a walk to support the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). The walk was a success, and the SLC raised over \$2500.00 for JDRF!! Congratulations to all who participated in raising money for JDRF, and many thanks to King's Hotdogs, J's HVAC, AES Advanced Electromechanical, Atlantic Coast Promotional, Oak Crest Cottage, and Blue Ridge Bone and Joint for sponsoring t-shirts for the walk.



Although not a sponsor of the walk, the Chick-fil-a cow walked with participants and posed for a picture with the group of walkers. Thanks to everyone who supported this worthy cause.



Smaller.....Faster.....Smarter!

The MCA Computer Lab is getting an overhaul. In addition to new work tables, which will be delivered mid-August, MCA has purchased new desktop computers for the lab and some classrooms. The new configuration replaces eight year old desktops – a very long life span for a computer – with new Dell OptiPlex 755 Small Form Factor computers, which boast 4GB of RAM, a 160 GB hard drive, and an Intel Core 2 Duo 2.33 GHz chip. Kindergarten, first, and second grade classrooms will also receive these same new computers. Although classroom computers are still equipped with Microsoft Office to help support classroom needs, all computers in the lab will use Google Apps for Education (GAPE), which has proved very successful in our one to one middle school laptop program. These new desktops will also support educational websites and additional software. The old desktops will be re-purposed throughout the school wherever possible, and a few may be available for sale later in the year.

Right: The small form factor of the new OptiPlex desktop computers will allow more space at each student workstation area in the computer lab.

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