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The Legacy Project Script

Rachel Anders

Innovation Academy @ LJHS Facilitator

“The legacy project started three years ago in an attempt to help the students understand and appreciate what it means to be a part of something bigger than themselves. The driving question for this project has been how do we honor the past and move forward to the future. This is a goal that definitely was gonna take more than just one year. The first year’s group of students in 2017-2018 did the research.”

Reid Gault

Lincoln Junior High School Principal

“And then there was a winning proposal, which is raising funds, and purchasing one of those blueberries that you see around the community, and painting it to commemorate Lincoln Junior High as it is today and put that out front of the new building.”

Anders: “Last years team took on the task of raising the funds to actually purchase the blueberry.”

Megan Wiesenberg

Lincoln Junior High School Art Teacher

“They hosted a Halloween maze and we earned money for it..”

Diego Zelaya

LJHS Eighth Grade Student

“We designed our own rooms, there was four seperate rooms and we got to participate in it while people came - it was a pretty fun time.”

Anders: “They did it in a matter of four weeks time.”

Zelaya “And we got to choose whatever we wanted to do and I chose the electric chair.” I just had to scream at the top of my lungs so it could sound like I was actually getting shocked.”

Anders: “This year’s group will apply a QR code to the blueberry which will link them to a virtual time capsule. We have not rolled out the virtual time capsule to this years class yet. The time capsule will show generations what life was like for a student in 2019.”

Gault “Ms. Wiesenberg our art teacher has gotten involved as well.”

Wiesenberg “I’m kind of designing, the main basic sections of the blueberry.”

Skye Shook

Innovation Academy @ LJHS Learner

"It's kind of like there's ribbon around it with different dates and things that have happened in Lincoln history."

Wiesenberg "We're going to have essential a contest to see if they can match the vision behind the blueberry."

Shook "I really like what my art teacher is going with, I think we can do something really creative with the ribbon inside and how it flows across the blueberry."

Wiesenberg "Right now I have two students that I'm really talking to mostly, but we are not really sure how many students will actually be participating quite yet."

Shook "I'm in eighth grade, and I would feel really cool if my artwork was chosen. My mom and pop would be really proud of me."

Wiesenberg "We are going to submit it to the Heartland Artist Gallery and then hopefully get painting sometime after Christmas."

Gault "Well to me that's the power of PBL and Project Based Learning and it was kid generated. It was kids that decided this would be a great way to remember the building."

Anders: "We wanted to get as many students to have a part in making history and connecting to their community."

Gault "It was kids that decided that decided how they were going to raise funds."

Zelaya "Yeah..It's just crazy to think I had a part in it of the school and the overall history of Plymouth."

Gault "It's kids that decided what goes on that blueberry."

Anders: "So even when that QR code is no longer a viable link we can still honor the past that it came from and look forward to the future."

Gault "So we're excited about that project that our Project Based Learning team has done."

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Reid Gault
LJHS Principal

"We started out the project at the beginning of the school year. All the teachers and myself, we took a tour of the new, but we also talked about the importance it's going to have to commemorate the old.. and what important part of the community it has been over the years. I always felt that the community, it is their school. It's not our school, it's the community's school, so I want to open up the building and give people an opportunity to come and see what it looks like in 2019, as compared to maybe when they went there in the 80's or in the 90's or even before then.

Betsey Barron

LJHS & Innovation Academy @LJHS Teacher 8th Grade NHS Advisor

“ I know there’s still a lot of people in the community that remember going to high school here and then obviously a huge generation of people who went to middle school here.”

Gault: “We have a committee now of teachers now that either went here or have been here and worked here at Lincoln for a long time, retired teachers on the committee as well, and we just have some people that were interested in being part of a committee that commemorates a building that they worked in and really enjoyed being in. Lincoln is a really neat and special place.”

Barron (Nat sound committee meeting): “Larry McFarron had all of these board.”

Gault: “So we want to commemorate it. On November the 20th from 9 to 11, it will be community day. When they come into the building, we’ll have them fill out a card and we’re gonna have door prizes and they will get planks, from the original Centennial gym floor. So it is the part of the original floor that we will be giving away for door prizes.”

Barron: “Mr. Gault wanted it to be he wanted them cleaned up, and we scrubbed them up.”

Loany Galeano-Breve

Innovation Academy @LJHS 8th Grade NHS Student

“There are some things in here that we really have to dig in and clean out.”

T.Gault: “Some of them were really gunky.”

Galeano-Breve: “We are just using brushes.”

Tanner Gault

Innovation Academy @LJHS 8th Grade Student

“Mrs. Barron came up with the plan.”

Barron: “I’m in charge of the National Junior Honor Society here at school so those kids came today.”

T.Gault: “And now like, this one is clean.”

Galeano-Breve: “It is such an honor for me as it is for everyone else to be cleaning these boards that were from 1936.”

Barron: “We’re gonna send them over to the high school and Mr. Schieber’s class is going to engrave them, Lincoln High School at one end and use 1937 as our starting date because that’s when the gym was dedicated and at the other end we are going to have Lincoln Jr. High 2020 because that’s when the building is coming down. It is going to be a really sad day, I mean know my kids that played in that gym, and it is going to be a really sad day to see it come down. My mom actually went to school here back in the 40’s and graduated and cheered in that gym. I have a great picture of her cheering in that gym.”

R.Gault: “And actually Betsy Barron, one of her relatives made the first free-throws in this gym.”

Barron: “All four of my kids came through here, I mean all those memories they are coming down, and then to think of all the ball games that were played in there — so — it is kind of emotional.”

Galeano-Breve: “It’s is a huge honor for us to be doing this.”

T. Gault: “It feels pretty really good to give someone back like a piece of their childhood.”

R. Gault: “Lincoln is a really neat and special place for a lot of people.”

T.Gault: “We are the last class, to like, ever graduate from this school.”

Galeano-Breve: “I am really proud to be a student here at Lincoln.”

R. Gault: “The whole community is welcome it’s a celebration, the first celebration of a building that has been a part of our community for a long long time.”

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