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# MASSACHUSETTS

#### Calling ALL Creative Massachusetts Youth, Grades K-12: INVENTION CONVENTION IS FOR YOU!

- 1. Get your parent/guardian to sign you up online: ma.inventionconvention.org
- 2. You'll get access to video examples, a rubric, and templates to help you communicate your invention design at our Virtual Invention Convention.



- 3. Decide on a problem! Make a solution!
- 4. Make a video of yourself with your invention prototype! It's a competition, so judges will give you feedback and you may even win a prize!



Check it out Today! Register By: March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 Awards Ceremony: Online April 24<sup>th</sup>

> In conjunction with The Cambridge Science Festival!







### Congratulations to this year's STEM Fair winners!

- 1st Place Isabelle Lee Covid & Motivation
- 2nd Place Chloe Bergeron Hydroponics
- 3rd Place Madyn Dwyer Neuroplasticity

**REMINDER:** Students should charge their Chromebooks every night in order to be ready for school each day!



Experiencing stress is a regular part of being human. In small amounts, it can sometimes be good for us, helping us to make decisions and work hard. Stress in larger amounts, however, can cause problems with our physical well-being through stomach aches, headaches and sleep problems. Emotionally, it can make us feel restless, irritated and even angry. Stress can also affect the way we think causing us to forget things and making it difficult to concentrate. Click <u>HERE</u> to watch a video that will help you learn about the different ways stress can affect you and the things we can do to help us cope better when it does. Learn, reflect, live-well, chill out, dream and think positive!



ABOVE: 8th Grade Health & Wellness Classes had the unique opportunity to participate in virtual workshops run by Fontbonne students & staff during the school's annual Love Your Body Week event. Students were able to participate in engaging Nutrition, Sleep, & Yoga Workshops thanks to the collaborative efforts of Fontbonne Health Educator & Wellness Director, Keri McPhillips, her amazing 11th grade students, and Pierce Health & Wellness Teachers, Mrs. McEvoy, Mr. Bonn, Mr. O'Leary, & Ms. Queally. This community collaboration with the goal of promoting healthy decision-making in teens was a big success!

March 21 is World Down Syndrome Day!



Wear your craziest socks on Monday, March 22 to show awareness and acceptance for people with Down Syndrome!

## Sonia kovalevsky day

For any female Pierce students interested in math, please consider registering for a virtual event on Saturday, April 10th from 10am-12:30p consisting of fun math activities and messages from female leaders in STEM. This event is being hosted by the Worcester Polytechnic Institute's (WPI) Chapter of the Association for Women in Mathematics. For more information and to register, please click <u>HERE</u>.

# THE GREAT DEBATE

Please remember, your Pierce Adjustment Counselors are here for you if you need us. Have a wonderful week!

Kelly Dearing, <u>kdearing@miltonps.org</u> Myriam Francoeur, <u>mfrancoeur@miltonps.org</u> Kara Sheridan, <u>ksheridan@miltonps.org</u> Competitive debate is coming to Pierce Middle School this spring. Students with an interest in current events and public speaking are encouraged to join the new Pierce Middle School Debate Team. Students will learn to research, reason, and speak effectively in mature conversations with teachers and peers. Mr. Faherty will host a Google Meet for interested students on Thursday March 4 at 3:00 PM. For more information, students can join our Google Classroom page with the code 2we7h5l or contact Mr. Faherty at <u>cfaherty@miltonps.org</u>.



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Having Technology Issues? Click <u>HERE</u> to access the MPS Technology Website

Adjustment Counselors' Google Classroom Code luzd6uw



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