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Mayor Launches Student Ambassador Program

Superintendent Shafer welcomed Interim Paterson Mayor Jane Williams-Warren as the mayor launched an ambitious new program wherein she and various city directors, program heads and officials will interface with district students on a regular basis. The first two-hour meeting, planned and moderated by Executive Director of Information Services, Ms. Terry Corallo, took place at Central Office with the first cohort of preselected 7th and 8th grade student ambassadors. The mayor and the eager student reps got right down to business -- after a round of introductions, the students stated various concerns about quality-of-life issues that affect them, their families and their peers, followed by brainstorming programs and solutions the new student ambassadors could launch at their schools.

The Student Ambassador program will continue the launch phase with two more cohorts, another 7th and 8th grade group followed by high school students.



HARP “On the Hunt” at the MET

Academy of Health Science (HARP) 9th graders recently visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art – “The MET.” Although not the MET of *opera* fame, they were singing high praise at the famous museum’s Michelangelo exhibit. “There are so many beautiful things here!” was the most frequently repeated comment by students, and it was music to the ears of their history teacher/chaperones!

The students eagerly followed a focused itinerary in the form of a scavenger hunt, searching for the cultural representations of the historical content that they have covered in their World History studies.



Follow up activities will include creating albums with “selfie” shots of items on their scavenger lists, and tying *Renaissance Humanism* to the works on display in their art appreciation blogs.

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