



JICHS Leadership Team Report

16 December 2019

LEADERSHIP TEAM:

- ❑ The Leadership team is currently reviewing updated SLT numbers as of Q2 Progress Reports as well as PSAT scores as a determining factor for potential success in various AP courses.

ROTC:

- ❑ Last month, the ROTC unit held a formal "Dining-In" which is a formal military ceremony for members of a unit, which includes dinner, and other events to foster camaraderie and esprit de corps. Our Dining-In was planned by the cadets and included a guest speaker. Most cadets in the unit were able to attend and an enjoyable time was had by all.
- ❑ On Friday, December 6th, the unit had its first overnight field trip in over 9-years--eighteen cadets and three adults spent the night aboard the USS Yorktown. The main purpose of the field trip was so that the cadets could attend and support a formal ceremony on-board the carrier on Saturday, December 7th, to commemorate the attack on Pearl Harbor. Those in attendance performed well during the ceremony and received accolades from the event staff. Additionally, cadets were able to explore the ship, participate in a flight simulation program, and were fortunate to meet and be photographed with Master Chief Petty Officer (MCPO) Special Warfare Operator Britt Slabinsky, US Navy (Ret). MCPO Slabinsky is a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor awarded him for action in Afghanistan in 2002.
- ❑ On the evening of Friday, December 13th, the ROTC unit will hold a unit holiday party at the school.
- ❑ On Saturday, December 14th, the unit will hold its last activity for 2019 by Christmas caroling at the Savannah Place Assisted Living Center on Secessionville Road.



LIBRARY:

- ❑ Students at JICHs along with teachers and members of the community participated in another Project Lit event with Scott Reintgen, author of *Nyxia*. *Nyxia* is an amazing science fiction adventure of intelligence and strength that presents diverse characters in a tale about greed and internal compromise. Contact a JICHs Librarian, Amy Ball or Melanie Crumpton, if you'd like to join our next discussion!



- ❑ Ms. Broome hosted a Poetry Out Loud event in the library on Dec 6. Our students wrote and read poetry for their peers.



PE:

- ❑ The PE department was excited to welcome guest speakers from MUSC'S "Just Say Know" program to speak to all health classes on Thursday about the effects of drug use on the teenage brain. As opposed to the traditional scare tactics, medical doctors spoke on the lasting effects of drugs and alcohol on the brain and why beginning drug and alcohol use, especially at a young age, has lasting negative effects. They even brought in a preserved human brain for students to view!

