



Mr. Chinskey Named Teacher of the Month

Please join me in congratulating the November Teacher of the Month, Alex Chinskey. Some of the comments from students are: Knows how to teach! Makes class fun! Very Nice! Best teacher ever! Funny! Makes learning easy! Awesome! Thank you Mr. Chinskey, and again, CONGRATULATIONS!



Questbridge Finalists

Congratulations to seniors Sarah Bennett and Isaiah Nieves, who are 2014 QuestBridge Finalists! Both students have made it to the final round to compete for a national 4-year, full scholarship to any QuestBridge partner school, which includes Columbia, Princeton and Vanderbilt Universities.



## Thanksgiving Feast

BCSS students cooked up their annual feast last Wednesday and served Manchester staff showing their appreciation for all they do for our school. We appreciate them as we appreciate all of our students. Thanks for a GREAT meal.



## Making A Difference for the Holidays

The MAKE a Difference Club decorated the foyer for the upcoming holidays! 20 plus students helped decorate the tree while another 20 were in the room writing out cards and making wreaths and ornaments to hang on the tree.



### Learning Spanish can be Fun!

Mrs. Orsita's 1<sup>st</sup> Period Spanish 2 class practiced replacing the direct object with the direct object pronoun! The student who "was" the correct pronoun had to run to the front of the room and tell the "direct object" to leave and then stand in the proper place where the DOP belongs in Spanish!



### Ms. Sager's Honors World Cultures Class Explores Prom Venue in France

Inquiring minds want to know!! Today, upon completion of a Mini-lesson on the Palace of Versailles, Ms. Sager's Honors World Cultures students asked if the Palace could be rented for special occasions. We found a website and were able to email the palace with our question. We got a response less than an hour later saying YES! They gave us the cost of one room, The Hall of Battles, is \$105,000. Possible prom venue for Class of 2016 Ms. Sager? Gonna be one heck of a Tricky Tray!



## Professional Development

Wednesday was an early dismissal day for students as faculty convened for several Professional Development venues in the afternoon. Promethean Board training was provided for first year teachers and others who wanted a refresher course. English and math teachers worked in their respective departments on Common Core State Standards and PARCC test readiness. Other departments convened the Professional Learning Communities to work on Common Core State Standards and/or Best Practices for instruction.



Algebra teachers examine sample PARCC algebra problems



English teachers explore PARCC strategies

## Falcon's Lounge Plans Festive Tree Lighting

The Falcon's Lounge is planning a festive Holiday Tree Lighting Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 p.m. Included will be performances, games, refreshments, open-mic, and holiday activities.



### Optical Academy

The Falcon's Lounge is happy to be hosting a visit from Optical Academy again this year! Students, colleagues and family members who used them last year were very satisfied with their on-site services. Optical Academy provides \$30 eye exams and low-cost eyewear. Most insurance plans (including Medicaid) are accepted.

The date is: Wednesday December 10th - 8AM - 3PM

THE EVENT IS OPEN TO THE ENTIRE MRHS COMMUNITY & THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS

- Appointments must be scheduled online. Please use this link:

<https://www.optical-academy.com/events/on-site-eye-exams-eye-wear-at-manchester-regional-high-school/>

- If you have difficulty scheduling an appointment, please let the Falcons' Lounge know ASAP.
- If you have a student who you think needs an eye exam and/or glasses, please notify the Falcons' Lounge.

