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PEER TO PEER LEADERSHIP SHOUT OUT!

Aniya Kinard was voted by her peers for this month's Peer to Peer Leadership Award. Aniya puts forth great effort. She works hard with some of our newer runners, and helps our new runners learn the position.

Aniya says that she enjoys "exercising and seeing the entire building," and that's why she favors the running position.

Aniya said that she feels like Transition Café has really helped her develop her "money skills," and she thinks this will be helpful for future employment.



IT TAKES A TEAM

This year we have restarted our Transition Cafe. This is a joint effort that the Comprehensive Special Education Unit Teachers and Students from a variety of classes help with.

We have 3 different teams. Our Kitchen Department is led by Ms. Jen, Mr. Kyle, and Ms. Lawrence. Students involved come from Mr. Kyle's, Ms. Lawrence's, Ms. Mitchell's, Mr. Bond's, Ms. Zielinski's, and Mr. Beaulieu's class. This team mixes the popcorn flavors, bags them up, and Ms. Lawrence prepares the ever popular brownies on Wednesdays.

Our second department is led by Mr. Duncan. Mr. Duncan works tirelessly in the Order Department and purchasing supplies. His students learn about profitability in addition to ensuring order accuracy and satisfaction.

Ms. Mitchell leads our runners. Our runners come from Ms. Mitchell's and Ms. Lawrence's classes. They ensure that the customers get the orders quickly and accurately.



COMMUNITY ASSET AND TRAINING PROGRAM STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

The Community Asset and Training Program (CATP) is MPS's school to work program for students with disabilities. Students get credit for their work experiences. They leave campus and go to a job site in the community.

Highlighted here are Alayshia Brown and Lazeric Price. Alayshia works at Vincent. She helps feed the farm animals that are part of Vincent's Ag Program. She also helps water the plants. Her favorite part of the job is putting the plants in the grow towers.

Lazeric helps in the restaurant at the Hilton (Park Place Location). He helps roll silverware and clean. Lazeric says his favorite part of the job is when Mr. Nick, his CATP teacher, takes him for a walk when he needs a break.

A special shout out to Ms. Luna, Ms. Melissa, Ms. Jen, Ms. Carrie, and Ms. Jackie who help facilitate the program for our students.



COOK'S CORNER

We have been slowly moving towards making our own flavor blends rather than purchasing premixed spices. This has created more jobs for even more students to get involved with the Transition Café Popcorn Kitchen.

You may have noticed that the Pickle Flavor is going through a change this month. Please feel free to give us feedback. You can e-mail : moerchkj@milwaukee.k12.wi.us

We will be rolling out special flavors. March 13th through March 23rd look for the first Special Flavor...Chili Cheese.

A big congrats to our student Tamia Ward for being checked off on Seasoning Station. She has quickly become a great leader. Another congrats to Korion Elim and Destine Townsell (pictured above) for passing their Bagging Station Test.

