Heritage Middle School

Finding Energy - Let our conscience about energy be our

guide (The Blue Fairy: Pinocchio)

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The Energy Leadership Team - The Energy Rebels - used Disney as a theme to guide energy activities this year to make energy connections with peers at school, at home and with those in the community. Some of the many activities that the Leadership Team conducted this year included calculating their personal energy footprint in order to find ways to personally save energy. The students then used that knowledge to educate others about the importance of energy efficiency and conservation. The Leadership Team compared the differences between the three types of lightbulbs and then taught the 6th graders all about incandescent, CFL, and LED lightbulbs. Other activities included evaluating water temperatures at school and at home and assessing insulation at school and at home to pinpoint places where energy could be saved.

Additional energy activities included two energy fairs at local elementary schools teaching 5th graders about energy topics such as sound, light, kinetic, and potential energy, creating educational energy school displays, creating circuits, displays, and testing kinetic and potential energy through homemade roller coasters. As Phil in Hercules said to "Go the distance," the Energy Rebels went the distance this year with energy!

Mission: Here we gooo! (Peter Pan) It's All About Energy

This year the Energy Rebels had a goal which centered around a quote by Walt Disney in which he said, "A person should set his goals as early as he can and devote all his energy and talent to getting there." Our goal was to use our talents and energy to increase our own knowledge about energy and then teach students in our school, our families at home and our community members about energy in a variety of ways throughout the school year.

We completed many activities to reach our goal this year. We increased our own energy knowledge by evaluating our own energy usage and found that many of us were energy wasters. 100% of the Energy Rebels found a way that they could increase their personal energy conservation. We also increased our energy knowledge by learning about different energy topics such as facts about energy, sound energy, insulators and conductors, and light energy from leaders from The Ohio Project. We then used this knowledge to teach over 130 -5th grade students about energy at our local elementary schools. In addition, we used our knowledge and leadership skills to teach over 100 sixth graders in our school community about the differences between an incandescent, a CFL, and an LED lightbulb and those students were then proactive in having additional CFL lighting installed in our school.

Other activities to meet our goals included: installing energy saving items at home such as bathroom and kitchen aerators, low flow shower heads, weatherstripping, energy efficient light bulbs, educating our family members about energy saving items and energy efficiency. We also checked our heating and cooling temperatures in our homes and made suggested on temperature settings that would save save energy. We also used our "energy" and leadership to create educational energy displays at our school to help teach our school community about how they too can be Energy Rebels.

ENERGY BUCKS - Goal: Students evaluated their own lives to learn how much energy they use and to investigate ways to save energy.

"Houston, we have a problem" (The Alamo) I am wasting too much energy



Calculating personal energy usage



That's a lot of money!

Name Brage N
Total Energy Bucks Used 122
Explain one change you can make to save energy and why. that change saves energy OR explain one thing you can change to save energy and why that change will save energy.

100% of students determined ways to save energy



Lighting Lab Investigation - Goal: Learning about 3 types of lightbulbs





RECORDING DATA OF LIGHTBULB TEMPERATURES



Students tested energy consumption of lightbulbs using heat loss as a guide!

Over 75 energy efficient light bulbs were sent home to families



INCANDESCENT? CFL? LED?

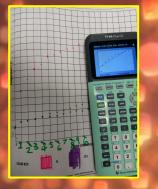
It's "elementary my dear watson" (The Great Mouse Detective), the LED is the most efficient lightbulb!

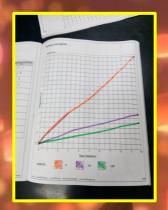


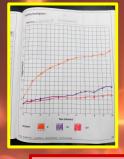
What Does 25,000 Hours of Light Cost?

GOAL: To determine the cost in \$ of the three types of lightbulbs









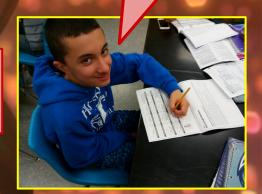
If you don't switch to LED lightbulbs, you'll have to "show me the money!"(The Happiest Millionaire)





Students calculated the cost of 25,000 hours of light for for and incandescent, a CFL, and an LED light bulb to determine which light bulb would be the most energy efficient. 100% of the students determined that the LED was the most energy efficient lightbulb.

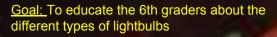
What lightbulb was the best Andrew?



6th GradeEnergy Outreach











6th graders write letters to the principal and district administrators about the results of their investigation and the need to use energy efficient lightbulbs district-wide

"We're off to 6th grade" - Peter Pan





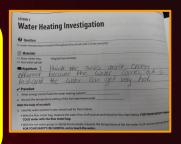


Students calculate, write and graph the results from the lighting investigation

Learning about water heaters, water temperature, and water flow from faucets and GOAL: TO EDUCATE sinks

FAMILIES AND HAVE ENERGY EFFICIENT HOME, OVER 350 LOW FLOW SHOWER HEADS AND AERATORS WENT HOME TO FAMILIES TO BE INSTALLED

Using the power of energy efficient aerators can save people from high water bills and lead everyone to more efficient faucets. 'Honey, what is the temperature setting on our water heater?!





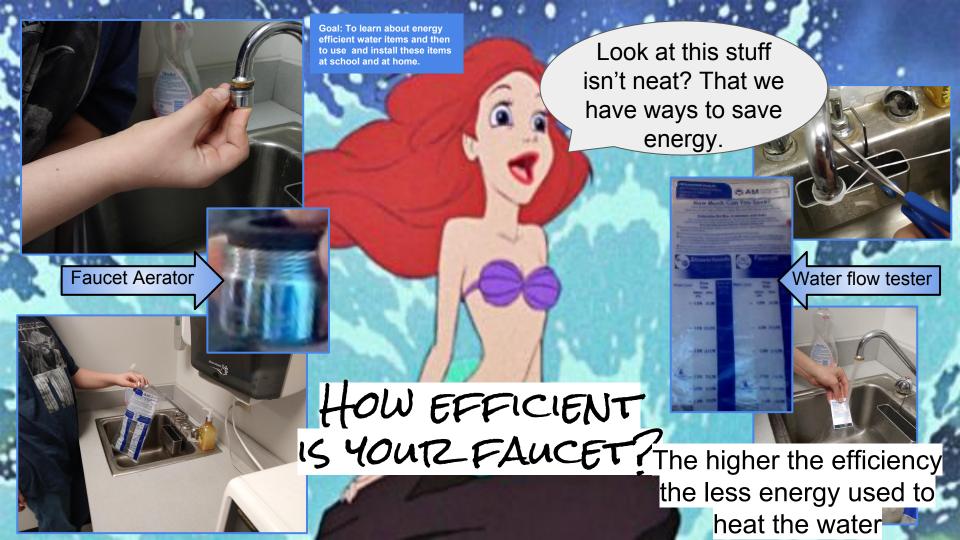
Using flowmeter bags to determine the water flow out of the school sinks







It is "INCREDIBLE" how much money you can save when the water heater temperature is set to 120 degrees or lower



ENERGY FACT OR FAKE - EDUCATED OURSELVES THEN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

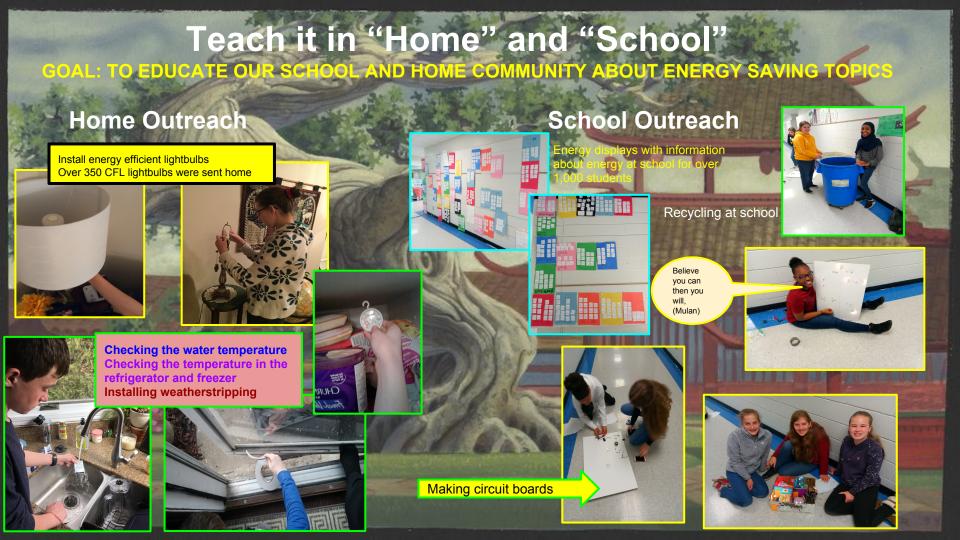
Goal: To educate ourselves and then our school community about energy facts

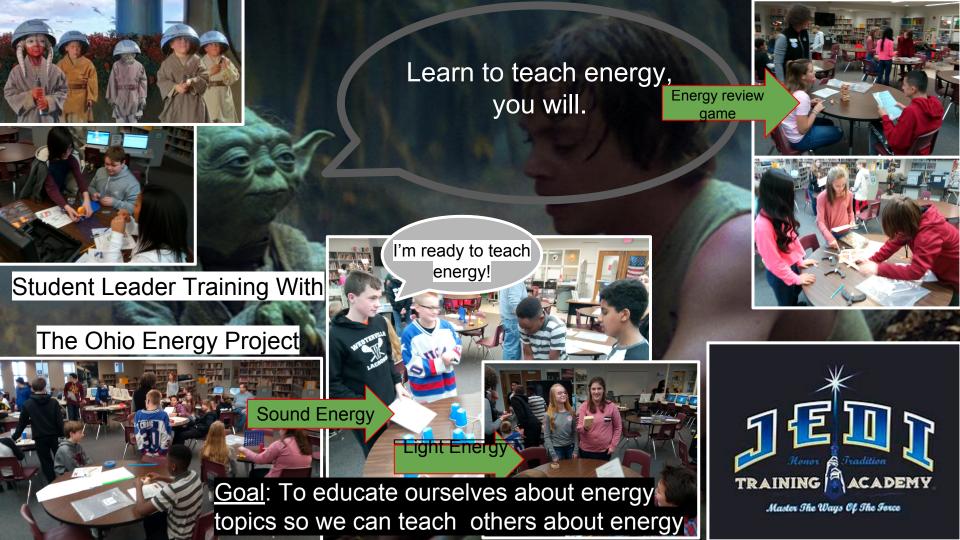


Students took energy information and had to decide if it was an energy "fact" or if it was "fake", and then put it in the correct column. Students then used the papers to create a giant school display that spelled out <code>ENERGY</code>



Fact or Fake.....LED Light bulbs are more efficient than standard incandescent light bulbs.......FACT





ENERGY FAIR AT
ANNEHURST ELEMENTARY
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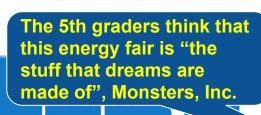
Goal: To increase the energy knowledge of the 5th grade students.



Pretest Score: 61%

Post Test Score: 80%

69 students



Kinetic and Potential Energy Activities

Over 70 fifth graders attended an energy fair in which the Energy Rebels led energy stations to teach the 5th graders



ENERGY FAIR AT CHERRINGTON

We taught 5th grade students about energy circuits, waves, light, and sound using games like energy connect four!

Hakuna Matata! No worries about energy!



Pre-Test: 73%
Post-Test 91%





Rafiki!
Energy will
move you
and help you
learn, little
one!

Trust ol'



Be prepared to learn



Goal: To educate our School, our Community, and Beyond about renewable energy and energy efficiency

Wind Hydropower Solar

Westerville Energy Manager Chris Monacelli visits our school to hear about the renewable energy sources in the city of the future

In the Future City program, students created a city of the future to solve a certain problem. The Heritage team came in first in the state and 16th in the country.

Sharing our information about energy at the Future City Finals in Washington D.C.

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Educated over 1,000 students at our school Educated over 1,000 people in our community Educated over 3,000 people nationally



