

Congratulations to our Phelps MOEMS Team on our Contest # 2 on Tuesday, January 14, 2020! We were happy to welcome two new MOEMS team members. Each of our 25 team members present worked to solve 5 MOEMS problems in 30 minutes. We are delighted that our fourth, fifth and sixth grade mathletes earned 36 team points, with a total of 97 team points on two contests. We are so proud of every team member for staying focused throughout Contest #2 and working so hard to do their very best. (We even celebrated our new flooring in our Phelps Library. )

After Contest #2, one Phelps MOEMS mathlete is in first place with 8 of 10 correct, five are in second place with 7 of 10 correct, and two mathletes are in third place with 5 of 10 correct. With three more contests to go, our competition is fierce. It is intriguing to compare our results with other MOEMS teams throughout the world.

Even though no Phelps team member scored a Perfect 5 of 5 on Contest #2, one mathlete scored a 4 of 5. Three mathletes scored 3 of 5. Eight mathletes scored 2 of 5. Seven mathletes scored 1 of 5. Everyone who competed scored at least one point for our team. Six team members were absent. Following Contest #2 we reviewed the answers and methods to solve each problem. Many agreed this was a difficult contest especially after three snow days off school and Winter Break. We did agree they were good math problems to solve.

Due to MOEMS copyright, we are not able to share the problems, but basically 12 of our 19 Phelps mathletes (63%) who competed earned a point on the first problem, 8 of 19 mathletes (42%) earned a point on the second problem, 4 of 19 mathletes (21%) earned a point on the third problem, 12 of 19 mathletes (63%) earned a point on the fourth problem, and 0 of 19 mathletes (0%) earned a point on the fifth problem. Generally, the first problem is easier than the fifth problem. You may discuss the problems with your child.

We will continue working on MOEMS type problems during Contest Math class each week at WINGS.

We look forward to Contest #3 on Tuesday, January 28, 2020, from 4:30-5:30 in the Phelps Library (in case of inclement weather, makeup will be Thursday, January 30).

FYI: We hope you and your child will join us during our celebration of Gifted Education Week on Thursday, February 6, 2020, from 4:30-6:00 pm at Phelps as we STEAM Ahead on Hogwarts Express! STEAM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics! This special night will provide numerous opportunities for our WINGS students and their families.

Thank you for this opportunity to work with your child in MOEMS.