Mount Mercy Academy Celebrates Foreign Language Week

The Mount Mercy Academy Languages Other Than English (LOTE) Department celebrated National Foreign Language Week with a variety of fun and educational activities for the students. Each morning and afternoon a Foreign Language Fact was given during the announcements. Foreign Language Trivia was played during lunches on two different days and prizes were awarded. The LOTE students also created flags from around the world.

In keeping with the Critical Concerns of the Sisters of Mercy, the school’s sponsoring body, the department held a dress in Your Favorite Heritage Dress Down Day to benefit Buffalo Peace House. The Sisters believe in standing in solidarity with immigrants. The Buffalo Peace House assists refugees and those seeking asylum with housing and other basic needs.

The LOTE Department also sponsored a poster contest using the theme “To know a second language is to have a second soul”. They also organized an assembly “60 Minutes Around the World” where students visited displays from ten different countries. The displays featured facts, food and drink and memorabilia from the countries.

In addition, prayer was prayed in a different language each day. The prayer was spoken in Spanish, Latin, Arabic, Italian and German.

The final activity of the week was a Salsa Competition. Students created salsa that was then judged for taste by several judges. Junior Mariah Rullan (Buffalo) won the contest.
MM FL Week: A piñata made by Julie Acosta

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