

History Comes Alive at NSU University School's People Fair

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Visitors to NSU University School's Lower School may have thought they saw George Lucas, Michelle Obama, Amelia Earhart and other famous figures roaming the halls. It was all part of the school's People Fair, which has been held at the school for the past 11 years.

"Student learning becomes more meaningful when the learner is able to make connections to new skills or information that is being introduced," said Cory DeLaFuente, Ed.D., Associate Director of the Lower School.

"The People Fair is a good example of student-driven learning that is facilitated by teachers who help students make life-long connections."

Students were asked to select and research a famous person that inspires them and then become him/her for the day. They could choose to be a leader who has had a major impact on humankind, a well-known sports figure who has contributed to society, or a role model they look up to in today's world.

In addition to dressing the part, students had to complete three of six project options to display during the People Fair event. They created iMovies, portraits, artifacts, timelines, Chatterpix, and scripts. During the fair, students in Junior Kindergarten through 5th grade traveled around to the different displays. They scanned QR codes to discover important events in the person's life and how they have impacted society.

