Mineola Elementary School School Board Report April 2015

- A Night of Music and Spring PAC Meeting was held on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Lead teachers from each grade provided information about curriculum, GT teachers presented news on Robotics, and the counselor presented STAAR testing update. Opportunities for parental involvement were presented. The students in third grade performed music on recorders, fourth graders performed guitar music and fifth graders performed piano ensembles. Approximately 150 parents attended.
- 2. Students have been involved in STAAR Academies and STAAR playgroups as ways to prepare for the upcoming week of testing.
- 3. Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) have reorganized into four groups: Interventions, Science, Math and Reading. Each group will create an Action Plan to implement in 2015-2016. Math teachers are researching the Daily 3 model and Conceptual Math Instruction. Reading has selected specific TEKS and instructional strategies. Science is aligning instruction for third through fifth grades.
- 4. Robotics The new EV3 robots from the Meredith Foundation grant have been delivered. Students in fourth and fifth grade are programming and inventing the devices to complete the new challenge. Competition will be May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Region VII Service Center. Third grade teams are partnering with high school robotics students to create their demonstration board.
- 5. Jump Rope completed competition in Conroe, Texas. Results are listed below for both elementary and middle school.

Male Qualifying for Nationals with Individual Events

Taylor Ihlenfeldt - 11&12 year olds 30 second speed - 2nd place with 128 jumps single rope double under - 2nd place- 62 jumps 1 minute speed - 2nd place - 218 jumps 3 minute speed - 2nd place -542 jumps

Female Qualifying for Nationals with Individual Events

Ariel Jackson - 10 year olds 30 second speed - 2nd place - 88 jumps single rope double under - 2nd place - 44 jumps 1 minute speed - 2nd place - 186 jumps 3 minute speed - 2nd place - Makayla Skinner - 12 year olds 30 second speed - 2nd place - 126 jumps single rope double under - 2nd place - 68 jumps

Tahjae Black - 12 year olds 30 second speed - 3rd place - 114 jumps single rope double under - 3rd place - 65 jumps 1 minute speed - 2nd place - 234 jumps 3 minute speed - 2nd place - 546 jumps

Team Events Qualifying for Nationals

Single Rope Speed Medley Tahjae Black (1 minute jump), Taylor Ihlenfeldt (15 second jump), Ariel Jackson (45 minute jump) & Makaya Skinner (30 second jump) - 2nd place - 566 jumps

Haley Pierce - joined the High Velocity team as a sub and got 6th place

Single Rope Speed Relay Tahjae Black, Taylor Ihlenfeldt, Ariel Jackson & Makayla Skinner - 2nd place - 460 jumps

Haley Pierce joined the High Velocity team as a sub and got 5th place

Double Dutch Pairs Speed Tahjae Black, Taylor Ihlenfeldt & Makayla Skinner - 4th place - 178 jumps

Haley Pierce joined the High Flyers team as sub and got 5th place

Female Single Rope Freestyle Tahjae Black - 2nd place

Single Rope Pairs Freestyle Taylor Ihlenfeldt & Ariel Jackson - 3rd place

Double Dutch Single Freestyle Tahjae Black, Taylor Ihlenfeldt & Makayla Skinner - 1st place

The USA National Jump Rope Championship will be held at Walt Disney World, Kissimmee Florida June 29th - July 2nd.