

MLK Assembly at LSMS 2009

Diversity and Tolerance

To celebrate the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, LSMS students put together a special assembly built on the themes of diversity and tolerance.

First, they had a fashion show, modeling their own clothes – to model their individuality. To the tune of Jimmy Eat World’s song “The Middle” participating students held up signs with lyrics from the song that carried the message of the day.

Next, the students read ideas for how to make the school a better place. These ideas had come from the student body members after counselors had spoken to classes in the fall about how we are all the same on the inside. Some of these were:

- Stand up for someone when we hear someone else putting them down
- Include the kid you most likely would not include; he or she probably needs your friendship
- Have seventh graders make friends with sixth graders
- Being mean to others is not acceptable!
- Have cliques and groups interact with each other

Finally, a student read Shel Silverstein’s poem “No Difference.” Students chanted the verses with her. It was a perfect end for a gathering about recognizing how we are the same.

