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Daniels Opens Microphone to Poetic Minds

It was standing room only in the Daniels gymnasium as the room was transformed into a hip, cool café. Colorful cut-outs framed the bright fabric hats of the many poets reading to the audience for Daniels first ever "Open Mic" Poetry Reading Event. Students were invited to

recite any type of poem or create one of their own to share with the audience on Friday, October 16th. From original renditions to cinquains, limericks, and haiku, students enjoyed the finger snapping in lieu of clapping.

Said organizer and Challenge Lab instructor Marilyn Mitchell, "Our goal was to develop the students word power by playing with words. An idea presented at a writing in-service I attended in August led to this idea of using poetry to meet our goal." After an all-call to any interested student, Mrs. Mitchell began practicing with the students and offered one short dress rehearsal. The proud poets shared their selective pieces to the large crowd of students and parents who snapped the hour away in recognition of great work!



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