Dear RMSEL Parent Community,

To characterize RMSEL in one simple statement or phrase is nearly impossible, however this week I can say with great certainty “something amazing happens at RMSEL every day!” Today we welcomed Mr. Andrew Bermingham, the CEO of Montreux Energy LLC, into our 7th/8th grade science classroom as an expert collaborating with our students as they researched hydrogen fuel cells as an alternative energy source. Lucas Mile, 7th/8th grade Science Teacher/Crew Leader, is currently in the final weeks of his first learning expedition of the school year, titled “Alternative Fuel and Energy.” During this expedition, students have investigated present fuel systems and explored new alternative fuel and energy sources. Lucas provides his students with multiple opportunities to construct and investigate energy courses in the classroom and connect with experts in our local and global community.

Next Wednesday, a team of 7th/8th grade RMSEL students will present a proposal for additional classroom resources at an event titled “Think It Up Live,” where they will share their innovative ideas with a host of panelists. The panelists will then proceed to provide additional financial resources to support making each innovative idea a reality. Finally, we are requesting additional community support on Wednesday, December 16th for our Alternative Energy Forum here on campus. Lucas has provided an excerpt below for potential experts. I hope you may be able to assist in making this bi-annual event a huge success!

Do you have a background in energy or alternative fuels? Would you be willing to serve as an expert at our Alternative Fuels Forum? In our 7th and 8th grade science class we’ve been studying Engines, Energy, and Oil for the first half of the year. For our final case study, students will determine the viability of various alternative fuels and the Alternative Fuels Forum is the culminating event. I would be grateful for your time and this won’t require any preparation on your part – your presence alone is enough. I would just ask that you listen to students and ask questions to guide the conversation. I’ll do 4 forums throughout the day with 100 students total but your commitment could be just 2 hours in the morning or afternoon (or both if you are free).

Date: Wednesday, December 16th

Times: Morning – 8:45 – 9:50 (two 7th grade classes)  
           Afternoon – 1:10 – 3:10 (two 8th grade classes)

Please let me know if you are available. Thanks for your time!
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Sincerely,

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