10 Years of Service

In 2 Minutes

About Win Vitkowsky

Born 1984 in Yonkers, NY To Polish & German Jewish mother (Mary) Lithuanian & Slovenian father (Vincent)

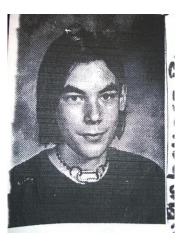
Graduated Greenwich High School Class of 2002

Southern Conn. State University 2002-2006 (diploma 2016)

Journalism major with a concentrated minor in Political Science.

Published Works

New Haven Independent (covered West Rock redevelopment), New Haven Advocate (labor and immigration), freelance journalist, and AP election stringer.







9th-11th grade: Planned to join Marines or Air Force. Career Goal: MTA 11th Grade: Contemporary America course changed perspective on American intervention abroad, college bound.

Student Affairs poll on what After-School programs 9th graders would participate in leads to Win Vitkowsky hired for after-school program.

- <u>Graffiti Vandalism</u> at school during this period was virtually nonexistent.
- Club created foundation for unit now used in 10th grade Core.



Students:

- Watched <u>Style Wars</u> a PBS documentary with a focus on New York City Subway Writers.
- Visit local sanctioned graffiti walls to examine expert work up close.
- Sketch & plot out space on a wall at school.
- At the end of the program, students paint a collaborative "Power" mural that stays up until the next round of students paint over it.

- Senior Anthony Duff starts up <u>Hawk News</u>, as Senior Project.
- Annual field trip to SCSU for High School Journalism Day.
- **Students** participated in Paid journalism summer internships and classes.
- Template for Hawk News helped establish foundation for Journalism department at METRO.





Hawk News investigated student concerns brought up in Town Hall meetings, and provided Administrators an opportunity to clarify rules as well as a space for students to vent and share a broad range of opinions.

Journalism 2017-2020

- Summer Institute for HS Journalism Teachers (2017)
- *Hawk News* continued as an after-school club.
 - Held regular "Press Conferences" with administrators, new staff, and journalism students.



2016 Journalism Club Field Trip to SCSU High School Journalism Day.

Senior Capstone SE 2013-2020

Supervised group of 8 seniors under leadership of Monique Frasier.

Students worked with City Seed Farmers market to promote SNAP benefit along Whaley Avenue at start of market season.

SURVEY OF LITERATURE

Supported Lambert's 9th Grade English course. Helped develop units used by 9th Grade Core.



SENIOR CAPSTONE

- Consistently held office hours during <u>What You Need</u> <u>Wednesdays</u> – popular sessions for seniors.
- High student graduation success rate, despite chronic absenteeism.
- Worked in person as well as remotely.

JOURNALISM



Veterans' Health Environmental Health Women's Health Disparities Fines & Sanctions

I-Team In-Depth News Ticker Data Mine Students' Work Podcast Health Q&A

Hispanic Heritage Zoom Assembly Disrupted

By Vanessa Maida December 10, 2020

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A virtual celebration for Hispanic Heritage Month was disrupted with a series of chats and music blaring as presenters attempted to speak.

• Students published works in Journalism for <u>Conn. Health</u> <u>Investigative Team</u> (C-HIT).

Senior Capstone students

MAP growth b/w Fall and Winter:

READING: Projected RIT Growth Met: **166%**

LANGUAGE USAGE: Projected RIT Growth Met: **324%**

Semester 1

Per. 1 Senior Capstone (Cafeteria)

Per. 2 Senior Capstone (Cafeteria)

Per. 3 Senior Capstone (Cafeteria)

Semester 2

Per. 1 Senior Capstone (HT 112)*

Projector bulb recently replaced.

Per. 2 Senior Capstone (HT 119)*

Per. 3 Senior Capstone (HT 119)

*Notice to replace bulb soon 8/28/2021

Notes from Culture & Climate Team post-PIP

".... During one circle's meeting, students were sharing very positive things about the class structure, stating that they understood the material better in Win's class than in other classes due to how the material was taught. Student's also complimented Win as well on how supportive he was of them.

Students were very respectful of each other while in the circle and seemed very attentive to what was going on. Win did a great job leading the circle and validating the student's feelings. Win and I have agreed to stay in touch with each other should other matters arise that he may need to consult about." -Aisha Mobley **Director of Culture and Climate**

READ FULL LETTER HERE

Black History Semester 1 Student Feedback: SEMESTER ONE:

Where did you have a CHOICE and VOICE in this class?

"got to pick from multiple assignments"

"Everyday"

"Some of our assessments were very open ended, and in terms of curriculum we were able to pick and choose what groups of people we wanted to learn about." "I think the assessments were very good, felt challenging and that I needed to pay attention but not too challenging where i'm stressing out about it."

"He talked to the class and explained the work a lot so that everyone in the class can understand."

"Can I be in your second class please mr"

"He's a great teacher, wish the class was still going to be taught because Black history is important."

"I hope to be in the class again when we are doing the Latinx unit."

Did this teacher challenge you and have high expectations of you?

5/5 = Extremelychallenging, extra high 84% expectations. 4/4 = Challenging, very high Expectations. 3/3 =pretty challenging, reasonable expectations 2/2 =pretty challenging, reasonable expectations "OR "DR "DR "OR "DR "DR "HR "HR "DR "DR "DR "DR "HR "OR OR "HR "HR "HR 1/1 = Not challenging, lowexpectations (0% of

respondents)

DON'T fire me.

DON'T fire my colleagues.

KEEP promises you made to staff.

NEGOTIATE with our union in good faith.

Please.