

Fall 2016



Higashi Highlights

Challenge Believe Together



Fall on campus brought with it a renewed enthusiasm for learning and fun, as we usher in a new school year full of possibility!

Exciting Advancements in Research on Campus

The Boston Higashi School Research Team wishes to express its heartfelt appreciation to those who supported our many projects over the past year! We have had so much input from the staff, parents, and students, which has led to great success.

Our Physical Education study, which involved students from the Junior High division, took place in July and August. Along with the guidance of our collaborators Dr. Ashley Woodman, from the University of Massachusetts Amherst, and Dr. Miriam Evans, from CAST – Wakefield, we collected an enormous amount of data on exercise intensity, behavior, academic engagement, and sleep. A team of statisticians is currently analyzing the data; the full results will be available soon.

In addition, BHS has been assisting Boston University's Center for Autism Research Excellence with their research on language. Nearly two-dozen BHS students are currently completing skill assessments in Higashi's new on-campus testing room. The next phase of the study is very exciting, as it will involve trips to the Neuroimaging Lab in CARE. Anyone who is interested in participating should contact care@bu.edu.

Finally, the Research Team recently released a Strategic Plan for the department, which describes some of our plans for the coming five years. A full-copy is available in the library. We have a lot of exciting projects coming up, so keep your eyes and ears open for an opportunity to get involved!



Above: Who says research can't be all fun and games, too? BU researcher Brady studies language acquisition while playing with toys.

All About Fall

