**Student Offerings 2015-2016**

"Happiness depends upon ourselves" -Arisotle

"Except our own thoughts, there is nothing absolutely in our power" -Descartes

"Each problem that I solved became a rule, which served afterwards to solve other problems" - Descartes

"See with the mind, not with the eyes" -**Jessica Phongsymay.**

“It's not a silly question if you can't answer it” –Sophie’s World

“Man is only free when he plays” -Quote about Romanticism

“Acting responsibly is not a matter of strengthening our reason but of deepening our feelings for the welfare of others.” –Sophie’s World

 “Everyone has a predetermined destiny, or end goal that cannot be altered, but you can change path you take to get there.” **Makena Wolcott**

“... the only thing we require to be good philosophers is the faculty of wonder...” Jostein Gaarder,

"Knowing yourself is the beginning of true wisdom." - Aristotle

“Wisest is she who knows she does not know.” ― Jostein Gaarder, Sophie's World

The measurement of time is made up. Tomorrow will be today and yesterday was today. Today is the past, present, and future. -**Allie Gordon**

"Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it." Ferris Bueller

“Happiness is the meaning and the purpose of life, the whole aim and end of human existence." Aristotle

"You miss 100% of the shots you don't take - Wayne Gretsky - Michael Scott" The Office

"Don't reject the impossible." Me I think **Hope Greenspun**

“The only thing I know is that I know nothing” – Socrates

“Happiness is the highest good” – Aristotle

“No matter where you go, there you are.” - Keith Caserta

 “If you give me an A on this, you will never have to see me again” - **Molly Lawlor**

“We all die, so make a life worth living” - **Molly Lawlor**

“Legacy. What is a legacy? It’s planting seeds in a garden you never get to see.”- Lin Manuel Miranda

 “Look around, look around at how lucky we are to be alive right now!”- Lin Manuel Miranda

 “So many of us choose our path out of fear disguised as practicality. What we really want seems impossibly out of reach and ridiculous to expect, so we never dare to ask the universe for it. I’m saying, I’m the proof that you can ask the universe for it.” – Jim Carrey

 “I’m making a conscious choice to see challenges as beneficial so that I can deal with them in the most productive way.”- Jim Carrey

 “Don’t just see what sticks. Put gum on it!”- **Robyn Kimmel**

“The unexamined life is not worth living” – Socrates

“Happiness lies in virtuous activity, and perfect happiness lies in the best activity, which is contemplative” – Aristotle

“Be the change that you wish to see in the world.” ― [Mahatma Gandhi](http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/5810891.Mahatma_Gandhi)

“Be who you are, be real don’t let others make you into something you are not” –**Ashley Lawler**

We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit .- aristotle

The beginning is the most important part of the work.- plato

Religion is the sigh of the oppressed creature, the heart of a heartless world, and the soul of soulless conditions. It is the opium of the people. -marx

Life is simply simple **Nick Filardo**

“You cannot step into the same river twice.” –Heraclitus

“We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark; the real tragedy of life is when men are afraid of the light.” –Plato

“If you would be a real seeker after truth, it is necessary that at least once in your life you doubt, as far as possible, all things.” –Descartes

“Life is an opportunity” **–Amy Anderson**

“It takes a long time to become young.” - Pablo Picasso

“If thought corrupts language, language can also corrupt thought.” - George Orwell

“The intellect can intuit nothing, the senses can think nothing. Only through their union can knowledge arise.” - Immanuel Kant

“Those who don't see the beauty in coloring outside of the lines don't deserve the crayons.” **- Jaz Popa**

“The reasonable man adapts himself to the world: the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore all progress depends on the unreasonable man.” ― George Bernard Shaw,

“Life contains but two tragedies. One is not to get your heart’s desire; the other is to get it.” ― [Socrates](http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/275648.Socrates)

“The art of living... is neither careless drifting on the one hand nor fearful clinging to the past on the other. It consists in being sensitive to each moment, in regarding it as utterly new and unique, in having the mind open and wholly receptive.” ― [Alan W. Watts](https://www.goodreads.com/author/show/1501668.Alan_W_Watts)

“ The world we live in could be a lie. The people we talk to could be figments of our imagination. Our own senses could be deceiving us right now, at this very moment. This quote could be meaningless. ”

**Moira Sweeder**

“To speak much is one thing, to speak well another.” -Sophocles

“Traditions and customs are set by man. Therefore what people regard as ‘truth’ tends to be a subjective matter.” -Lie Zi

“It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it.” -Aristotle

 “Sometimes even the negatives can be positive.” **Grace Molineaux**

If you judge a fish's ability to climb a tree it will go it's whole life believing it is stupid

The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today

The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or even touched, they must be felt with the heart

The meaning to life is to give life meaning. **Joe Laffey**

“Life is really simple, but we insist on making it complicated” This is important because although there are many deep thinking questions in philosophy, a lot of the topics and ideas we cover are over thought, when the answer can be quite simple.

“Life is not a problem to be solved, but a reality to be experienced” This is important because to find the answers to many of our questions, we must look back onto our own life experiences.

“The only way to make sense out of change is to plunge into it, move with it, and join the dance.” This is important because many of the juniors and seniors will experience change throughout their last two years in high school, and philosophy teaches us that change is a good thing.

“There is always a happy ending.” **Ty Coffey**

“No one knowingly does evil.” Socrates

“Experience is the origin of all ideas.” Locke

“All qualities are secondary qualities.” Berkeley

“We are beautiful stupid animals.” **Joe Laffey**

" Close only counts in horse grenades…It’s a saying." -Andy Dwyer, *Parks and Recreation*

"All generalizations are false, including this one." -Mark Twain

"Not everyone can become a great artist, but a great artist can come from anywhere." – Anton Ego, *Ratatouille*

"You have to read before you can start not reading" -**Mike Keough**

The speed of communication is wondrous to behold. It is also true that speed can multiply the distribution of information that we know to be untrue. -Edward R. Murrow

I long remained a child, and I am still one in many respects. -Rousseau

Anything can make me stop and look and wonder, and sometimes learn. -Kurt Vonnegut

 Accepting that you know almost nothing is when you can begin to live. **Will Fausey**

“We are all but recent leaves on the same old tree of life and if this life has adapted itself to new functions and conditions, it uses the same old basic principles over and over again. There is no real difference between the grass and the man who mows it” -Albert Szent-Györgyi

“Morality is not the doctrine of how we may make ourselves happy, but of how we may make ourselves worthy of happiness” – Immanuel Kant

“If you would be a real seeker after truth, it is necessary that at least once in your life you doubt, as far as possible, all things” – René Descartes

“You have two choices to deal with an unchangeable outcome, sit and cry or sit and smile”**-Julia Jackson**

Socrates - Worthless people live only to eat and drink. People of worth eat and drink only to live.

Plato - Wise men speak because they have something to say ; Fools because they need to say something.

Descartes - If you would be a real seeker after truth, it is necessary that at least once in your life that you doubt, as far as possible, all things.

In life, it is incredibly essential to always challenge the norm, especially of what is considered the consensus thought. **James Gallagher**

"I am the wisest man alive, for I know one thing, and that is that I know nothing" -Socrates.

 “It takes a village to raise a child”- Jake O’Neill

“What happened to Jeb? I thought he was sure thing” – God

“(extended silence)”- Billy Potts

“Descartes once said that doubt is the most important step toward human understanding. I doubt that” – **Taylor Nardone**

“As long as you’re going to be thinking anyway, think big.”- Donald Trump

“It is easy to forget how full the world is of people, full to bursting, and each of them imaginable and consistently misimagined.”- John Green

“There's a lot of beauty in ordinary things. Isn't that kind of the point?”- The Office

 “We only are what we think we are, so why can’t that mean we become what we think we become?”- Shayna Lowenstein

The opposite of love is not hate, it's indifference. The opposite of art is not ugliness, it's indifference. The opposite of faith is not heresy, it's indifference. And the opposite of life is not death, it's indifferencel.

Everything you can imagine is real. [**Pablo Pica**](http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/3253.Pablo_Picasso)**so**

The choice is yours, go do what you want, or not... Doesn't matter.

Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself. **Nick Giunta**

We don't see things are they are; we see them as we are." (Anais Nin)

"I know that I am intelligent, because I know that I know nothing." (Socrates)

"Know Thyself." (Socrates)

"Open your mind to things you are unaware of, for they will shock you." -**Tori Kloster**

Better three hours too soon than a minute too late. Shakespeare

In three words I can sum up everything I know about life: it goes on. Robert Frost

Believe those who are seeking the truth; doubt those who find it. Andre Gide

There are no evil people, just misguided intentions. **Skylar Young**

“Everything is a matter of attitude. The disciplined, reasoned person can be happy under all conditions”

“control what we can and accept what is beyond control”

“What you're supposed to do when you don’t like a thing is change it. If you can't change it change the way you think about it” Maya Angelou

 “Emotion are the the reason why I want to become a doctor.” This quote is connected to the topic of how emotions are the reason why we do what we do. **Kimberly Lam**

Man is the only creature who refuses to be what he is. Albert Camus

There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so. Shakespeare

Never let your sense of morals prevent you from doing what you think is right. Isaac Asimov

It’s your choice how you live your life. **Kathryn Hutton**

Everything is everything. Liam Coyle

Life is an infinite wonder. Ian Orzek

Common sense over intellectualism. Jake O’Neil

A world without philosophical thought is a world without progress. **Sean Thompson**

You don’t have to be a philosopher to ask philosophical questions, you just have to be a naturally curious and thoughtful person.

Education can be defined a number of different ways. For me, it’s the product of human curiosity. Intellectual thought, as far as I can tell, is nothing but the asking and answering of questions. Kareem Elnahal

All I really need to know about how to live and what to do and how to be I learned in kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate school mountain, but there in the sandpile at Sunday school. Robert Fulghum

Establish your own opinions, basic truths, moral principles, but do not hesitate to listen to the thoughts of others and understand life is what you make it. **Matt Edwards**

“Time and space are first and foremost modes of perception and not attributes of the physical world" -Sophie’s World; Paraphrase of Kant’s philosophical thoughts on time and space.

“[I]t is more important to find the kind of truths that are meaningful to the individual’s life” -Sophie’s World; Paraphrase of Kierkegaard’s philosophical thoughts on truth

“The soul yearns to fly home on the wings of love to the world of ideas. It longs to be freed from the chains of the body…” -Sophie’s World; On Plato

“Trees live longer and stand stronger, while also covering the planet, and exerting great influence on earth’s soil, atmosphere, climate, etc. If we have souls, they have souls. Trees, my friends, (might) have souls.” -**Billy Potts**

It’s never wrong to do the right thing.” Mark Twain

“You can never step in the same river twice.” Heraclitis

“Books are the best of things, well used; abused, among the worst...They are for nothing but to inspire” Emerson

“Common sense over intellectualism.” **Jake O’Neil**

 “Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.” – Mahatma Gandhi

“To know, is to know that you know nothing. That is the meaning of true knowledge.” – Socrates

“The most difficult thing in life is to know yourself.” – Thales

“Acting on your emotions is healthy, but if you are unaware of how others will react you are selfish.” – **Liam Coyle**

“Wisest is she who knows she does not know.”― Jostein Gaarder, Sophie's World

“Everything I need to know I learned in Kindergarten.” - Fulghum

“The religion of one seems madness unto another.” - Sir Thomas Browne

“Every night we close our eyes, and for a moment the world seems to come to a stop. But how can we really know if it did, if we aren’t awake to watch?” **Josephine Rundall**

What do you desire”- Alan Watts (wasn’t in the unit; however it was relevant to my work this year)

“The Dilemma of Lived Choices”- Hegel

I believe because it is irrational
“Life is an infinite wonder, do not take that for granted. You exist in the most beautiful and unlikely world. Your mind gives you your perception to all that exists around you. Explore that existence, for it is your everything.” - **Ian Orzek**

Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate the mind on the present moment. Buddha

Live is not a problem to be solved but a reality to be experienced. Soren Kierkegaard

God has promised forgiveness to your repentance, but he has not promised tomorrow to your procrastination. Augustine of Hippo

Believe there is meaning in what you are doing if you struggle to find any and in turn hopefully you will understand why you are doing it. **Ian Fahey**

The ones crazy enough to think they can change the world... Are the ones that do

Never give on a dream that will take time to accomplish. The time will pass anyway.

There isn't a person you wouldn't love if you could read their story.

Don't be afraid to waste time, because the time you waste might be the stuff you remember. **Claire Gadon**