

# Compass Chronicle

Yolo Charter | January 2021

## A Word From our Principal, Jason Bee

Welcome to 2021 CCS Yolo Learning Coaches, Scholars, and families!



Each New Year allows us to reflect on all the great work we have completed over the course of the past year and the opportunity to look forward in anticipation of all the great things to come. As I reflect, I am proud to lead CCS of Yolo and would like to recognize how far we have come in our short time. As you may know, CCS of Yolo is the newest school in the Compass family. Still, we have a seasoned and experienced team of teachers and support staff who focus on providing the Gold Standard in personalized learning every day. Moreover, at our school's heart are our scholars who fill our school with laughter and joy that breaths passion into everything we do. You can see a glimpse of this in some of the pictures in our newsletter.

As we look forward and think about the challenges that are sure to come our way, I would challenge my school community to come up with a word for the year. This year my word is *growth*, which will serve as a reminder that after all that 2020 was, 2021 will provide many opportunities to continue the work that has been done as we grow both as a new school and individually as we seek our goals. I encourage you all to come to the monthly CCS Yolo Coffee with Compass and share your words and reflect on what's ahead.

It's a time for a fresh start and new beginnings. I am excited to embark on this new year together and hope you are finding joy in this new year.

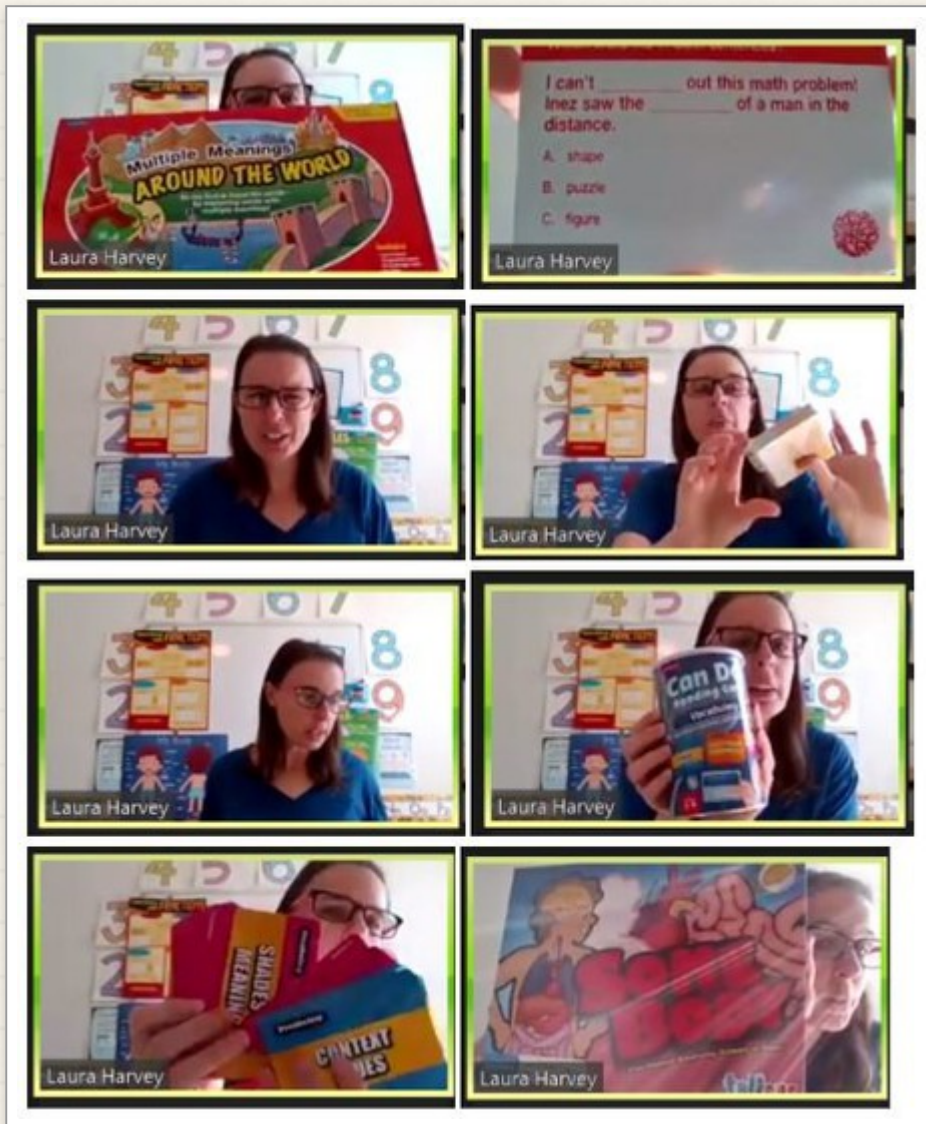
Forever Loud and Proud!

Jason A. Bee

# What's Been Happening at the Yolo Charter?

Our Training and Development Teacher on Special Assignment, Laura Harvey, has been hosting learning coach support workshops—from lapbooks to [learning through games](#), they are fun and informative! Check out Parent Square to join upcoming workshops.

Please join us for the monthly Coffee with Compass zoom sessions. Hosted by our Superintendent, JJ Lewis, and CCS Yolo Principal, Jason Bee, this is a great time for the CCS Yolo family to come together and get to know each other.



# Work Samples and Learning Labs!

## Suspenseful Storytelling!

Cassina M., a scholar of Mrs. Hobson's English 9 course, has been learning about storytelling - specifically narrative technique. In this work sample, Cassina showcases her use of sensory details and engaging dialogue to create a delightfully suspenseful story!

Student Name: Cassina Morain

### Narrative Progression

**DIRECTIONS:** Follow the steps on the next two pages to create the first draft of your personal narrative or short story.

#### Drafting Steps

- 1 Write the first few paragraphs of your story, including the exposition and the inciting incident.
- 2 Write the rest of your story, using transition tags to guide readers through its sequence of events.

It was supposed to be a nice, sunny, crystal clear day of spring, here at Saint Maur Highschool. Who would of ever imagined it would be the day the city would be covered in blood from the victims of those creatures. But how did this happen exactly? Let's start from the very beginning.

August 20th, 1997. Location: Yokohama, Japan.

4 hours ago

"Reading through the chapters, what do you think will happen to the main character next?" Mr. Tanaka asked the class. Half of the students were in their own world, not caring for a single thing their Sensei was saying. While others, like Taiyo, were thinking of a possible answer to his Sensei's question. Just as he was about to shoot his hand in the air, Mr. Tanaka called Yoshito's name. The boy had been peacefully sleeping, drifting into a blissful dream after the boredom of the class took him over. His friend sitting next to him, nudged him to wake up, earning a few grunts from the latter before jabbing him in the side with his elbow. Yoshito glared up towards his friend as he whispered curse words to him, the boy, misaki, just gave the ticked off boy a sheepish grin as he signaled towards the teacher.

Beautiful Ink Cards!

JD, a scholar of Sandy Lee, took the ink wash assignment he did from his art class and had it printed into cards which he was able to sell at a local craft fair.



## Math Professional!

Gabriel D., from Ms. Foster's math class, is always professional, organized, and accurate in his work.

Crabeda Silva

8. List all the factors of 54 and 90. List their GCF. (3 points)

54: 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 18, 27, 54

90: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 15, 18, 30, 45, 90

GCF (54, 90): 18

EXPRESS EACH FRACTION OR RATIO IN SIMPLEST FORM. (2 points each)

9.  $\frac{32}{160} \div \frac{32}{32} = \frac{1}{5}$  1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32

10.  $\frac{49}{72} \div \frac{1}{1} = \frac{49}{72}$

$\frac{49}{72}$

$\frac{1}{5}$

1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 16, 20, 40, 50, 100

49: 1, 7, 49  
72: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 18, 24, 36, 72

$\frac{11}{18}$

11.  $\frac{22}{144} \div \frac{2}{3} = \frac{11}{72}$

12.  $\frac{18}{24} \div \frac{6}{6} = \frac{3}{4}$

$\frac{3}{4}$

22: 1, 2, 11, 22  
144: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 16, 18, 24, 36, 48, 72, 144

18: 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 18  
24: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24

CRITICAL THINKING AND APPLICATIONS.

13. Using the divisibility rules, explain why 678 is divisible by 2, 3, and 6. (2 points)

678 divided by 2 is also get what is half of 678  
678 can be divided by 3, which is 226, so 3 goes into 678  
times. 678 can be divided by 6, which is 113.

14. Mrs. Buchanan is planning marching routines for the school band. The band has 36 members. Band members can march in any number of rows as long as each row has the same number of members. The marching path, however, limits members to 6 per row. (3 points)

a. Make a list of the different arrangements that Mrs. Buchanan could use.

6 by 6 2 by 18 3 by 12 4 by 9 1 by 36

Now, what happens if she can use more than 6 members per row?

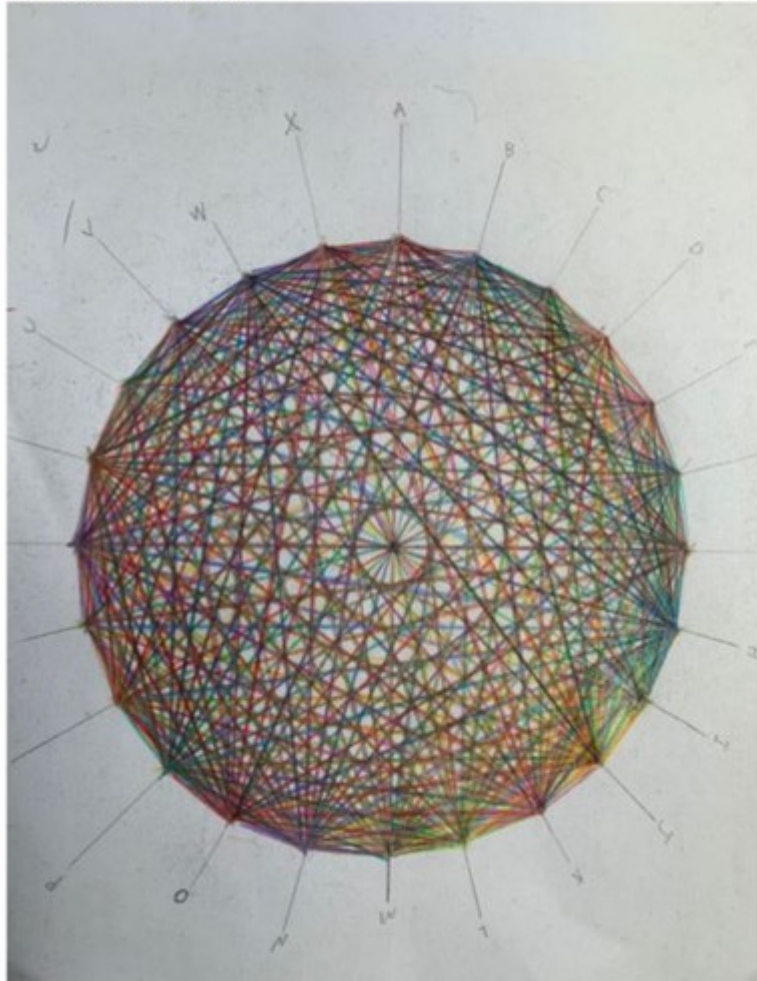
b. Make a list of the different arrangements she can use.

36 by 1 18 by 2 12 by 3 9 by 4 6 by 6

## Shapes and Angles!

Ryan M., a sixth-grade scholar of Mrs. Barrett, is studying geometry. This work sample showcases his project with shapes and angles.

Ryan Mustacich  
LP3 - Math  
12/1/2020  
Score: A, great work Ryan!



## ***Art of San Francisco Bay Area!***

Teresa M. is a seventh-grade scholar on Mr. Prussack's roster. She is creating amazing colorful and eye-catching art on mini canvases. Here's a beautiful piece showcasing the diverse environment of the San Francisco Bay Area. Excellent job Teresa!



## Recrystallization!

James "Ryder" S., third-grade scholar of Mrs. Domino, learns about dissolution and recrystallization in science!



## Music Club Fun!

< Show us your musical instrument

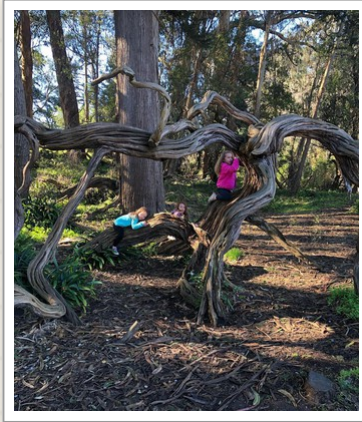
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**Brianna A.** 0 Comments 33 views





# Scholar Spotlight: Meet The Link Family!



We have two scholars at Compass, Alexis in third-grade and Kirsten in second-grade. Our family is pretty large, and it consists of 6 members. We live in Northern California and enjoy nature, healthy cooking and baking, singing, being active, and kayaking.

This is our second school year with the options program. Our friend recommended Compass, so we enrolled our girls. They offer so many wonderful vendors, free learning online programs, and the funding is amazing. You get to select your scholar's curriculum, and they guide with benchmarks, and monthly meetings, to help you stay on track. We absolutely love our educational facilitator, and she's always on top of things. CCS of Yolo is extremely organized, and the staff gets back to you in a timely manner.

We are very pleased with the CCS of Yolo!



## Staff Spotlight: Meet Lacey Lehman, Online Middle School Teacher



This is my third year working as an Online Middle School Teacher with Compass Charter Schools. My primary roles are as a seventh grade Social Studies teacher and a supervising teacher to my homeroom scholars. I would have to say my favorite part of my job is seeing my scholars at our weekly learning labs and working with them one on one throughout the week to support them.

I started my career as an educator teaching sixth-grade at a brick and mortar school. When my children came along, I made the tough decision to leave the classroom and stay home with them. Man, I missed my students every day. After my third little one was born, I knew I needed to return to one of my first loves, education, but I wasn't sure how to make it work. When I heard about the opportunity to teach with Compass, an online school, I knew it was a perfect fit.

I am so thankful for the opportunity it allows me to work from home. Something truly came alive in me again when I returned to education! I feel challenged professionally every day, and as a lifelong learner, this excites me! I feel incredibly blessed to work so closely with an amazing online middle school team. I truly feel valued, encouraged, supported, and equipped to take on this amazing responsibility of supporting my own scholars.

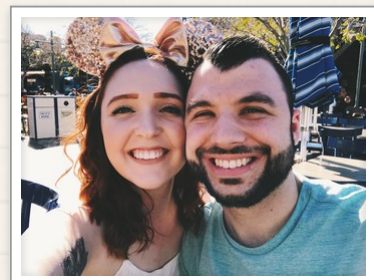
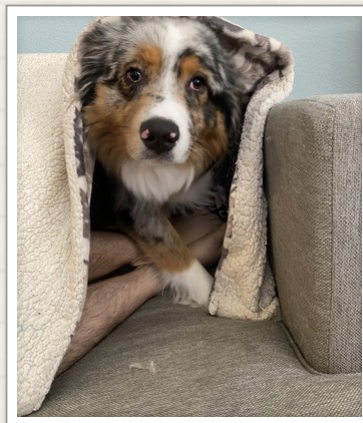
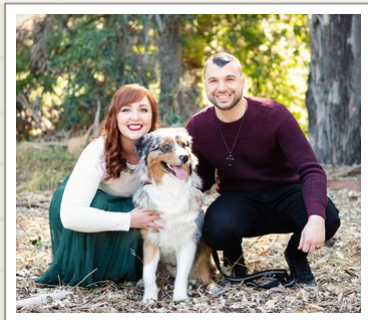
I have a passion for learning, and I want my scholars to love learning too! Education is an essential tool for setting goals and achieving one's dreams. This is why I do what I do! I want

to encourage my scholars to believe in themselves, dream big, and work hard to achieve their goals!

In life, I have come to realize that we all have a story. What is a good fit for one person may not be a great fit for another. Every scholar deserves the opportunity to receive a quality education in whatever environment suits them and their family best. I love working in the online environment, and it brings me so much joy to hear from my learning coaches about how their child is thriving in the home environment. As a teacher and parent, I want to encourage our learning coaches that you are your child's first teacher! You know them better than anyone. Follow your gut, and don't be afraid to try something new until you find what works for them. Know that we are here to support you. Your child's success is our success, and we will do everything we can to see them succeed!

When I am not at my computer helping my families, I enjoy spending time with my husband and three children ages, 11, eight, and four. Our favorite thing to do together is ride bikes on the trails around our new neighborhood, visit our local coffee shop, play games, and take road trips whenever we can. Lucky for us, one of our all-time favorite places is less than an hour away- Bass Lake, where we like to go to spend undistracted time together!

## Staff Spotlight: Meet Alix Domino, Options Supervising Teacher!



I am a Supervising Teacher here at CCS of Yolo. This is my second year at Compass but my sixth year teaching. My "why" for teaching and what I bring to my job here at Compass is to promote and show how every scholar learns differently. Teaching through the Theory of Multiple Intelligences has been a huge passion since I've been teaching.

In brick and mortar, it can be difficult to teach every scholar individually based on how they learn. Still, it's a lot easier with homeschooling to help parents figure out how their scholar(s) learn best and give them ideas on creating a learning environment fit for their scholar. As an educator, I want to let parents know that you don't have to follow a brick-and-mortar teaching method. Since many of our families come from a brick and mortar background, it can be challenging to change that mindset when teaching. But HAVE FUN! Not all assessments have to be paper and pencil - have a conversation with your child, and you'll see just how much they are learning with you!

My husband and I are huge Disney people. Pre-pandemic, we would go to Disneyland often since we live in Orange County. We have an almost-three-year-old Australian Shepherd named Loki, and he is our baby! We love taking Loki to the beach or walking around Dana Point Harbor. I love baking and trying to make new things - not always successful, but always have fun creating!



## SHARE YOUR STORY






Are you enjoying the educational experience at Compass? Tell us! We want to hear from you. Why did you decide to join the Compass family? Or, what do you love most about being part of our community? Share you comments and all of your wonderful experiences at Compass with us! [Click here](#) to share.



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