

MORNING ANNOUNCEMENT- GROWTH MINDSET
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

Fri Aug 31
Team Tope

GOOD MORNING TOPE ELEMENTARY STAFF AND STUDENTS! Take a moment to breathe in and breathe out and prepare for your day.

Far too often in this school I hear, "I can't". I can't read. I can't do my homework. I can't control my anger. I can't do my math. I can't get my planner signed. "I CAN'T" "I CAN'T" "I CAN'T" Those two TINY, LITTLE words take away ALL OF YOUR POWER. They leave you helpless and stuck. You might even hear adults around you saying, "I can't". I can't sing. I can't exercise. I can't fit it all in. I can't draw. These two words leave even the wisest adult helpless and stuck.

WHAT If I told you there is ONE TINY, LITTLE 3 LETTER WORD THAT CAN CHANGE ALL OF THOSE CAN'TS INTO CANS? WHAT DO YOU THINK that word might be? I PROMISE YOU KNOW THIS WORD...
HMMMM.....

TODAY, I AM GIVING YOU ~~THE~~ THIS WORD. I AM GIVING YOU POWER OVER YOURSELF TO CHANGE ALL OF THOSE I CAN'TS INTO I CANS. THIS TINY LITTLE 3 LETTER WORD IS Y.E.T!!!

If you catch yourself saying or even thinking to yourself a sentence that starts with... I can't --Throw that tiny little word on the end of it.

Instead of I can't read. Say, I can't read, yet. Instead of I can't do long division. Say, I can't do long division, yet! Instead of I can't write cursive, say I can't write cursive yet... Instead of I can't shoot a hoop. Say, I can't shoot a hoop yet! Instead of, I can't play the piano—say I can't play the piano yet!!!!

At Tope we believe that our most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work. It is essential that we all understand that our intelligence and talent is constantly changing based on attitude, effort, persistence, and motivation. Instead of saying I can't—say I can't YET!

You have the power.

The following video runs a message about the power of yet. At 1:50 it shifts to a Sesame Street song featuring Janelle Monáe.

<https://vimeo.com/117900689>

OPTIONAL "POWER OF YET" TICKETS—SEE ATTACHED.

IDEAS- if you catch students saying I can't—give them a YET TICKET.

OR use as a goal setting ticket for the rest of the month.

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Teacher Responsibility