“Junior High Set to Begin Writin’ Titan Program”

For the past several weeks, twenty-three 7th and 8th graders have been in training to serve as writing coaches for the junior high's "Writin' Titan Program."  This student-to-student tutoring program is designed to provide assistance to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders looking for extra help on their written work.  Beginning second quarter, students can simply obtain a "Writin' Titan Referral" from their teacher and meet with a coach over lunch or study hall.  Coaches are trained to help students with every stage of the writing process, from brainstorming to proofreading.  The program is modeled after writing centers often seen at the college level, and according to faculty sponsor Rich Martin, it is likely one of the first of its kind at the junior high level.  Coaches training will conclude Oct. 29th with a special visit from Stephanie Scott, director of the Writing Studio at ICC, and several of her student writing consultants.