

## WBGO Trip (continued)

The one exciting thing the students were not prepared for was BEING ON THE AIR! They were allowed to participate during the broadcast and Ms. Hamilton was kind and patient enough to allow our group into her broadcast booth! The students spoke and cheered on the air! Ms. Hamilton also played a song request from the students and spoke to them about how she got into radio.

The students also got a chance to meet news reporter Mr. Doug Doyle. Mr. Doyle spent a long time talking to the students about how he prepares for his news reports. He played for them a special piece he recorded honoring Mr. Fred Rogers a native of his hometown of Pittsburg. He spoke of how much the report meant to him and how important it is to be true and honest and create a connection with the listeners of the station. Mr. Doyle was very kind to spend time with our students especially considering he spent the previous night covering our New Jersey elections.

The visit to WBGO provided learning in many areas:

- The students' appreciation for different types of music is exemplified by the fact that Omar now listens to Latin Jazz.
- Radio broadcasting as a way of earning a living is a new awareness.
- The students used their skills in the kitchen by preparing their own lunches to eat in the park before they left.

All of our students were very happy and excited about our visit! They took back so much information and learned a great deal. We are very grateful for the time, patience, and kindness that was afforded to us, and now, we have new young fans of WBGO, Jazz 88.3 FM!

Thank you WBGO!