

NORTH HUNTERDON HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear North Hunterdon Community,

Next week is the “Week of Respect” at North Hunterdon High School and all schools in the State of New Jersey. Within the new Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act, the first week of October has been classified as the “Week of Respect.” This week is designed to ensure that all students in our school will be receiving age appropriate instruction on respecting themselves and others. The theme of respect is instrumental in reducing incidences of bullying and helping students to feel comfortable in our school. North Hunterdon High School will be observing the week in all departments with the following activities:

- Student Council will be leading a school wide effort by creating a “Respect is...” wall in the mall area. Students in their Health and Physical Education classes will be working together to define what they believe respect is and the posters will be displayed in the mall area.
- In the Practical Arts department, all classes will be working on creating a project (such as websites, pamphlets, etc.) that focuses on respect in the school and the relationship between respect and violence.
- In all levels of the World Language classes the students will be engaging in extensive discussions on respecting culture, differences, language, etc. They will be providing the students with vocabulary in their respective languages that relate to respect.
- The English department will be providing all North Hunterdon High School students with a “North Hunterdon Respects Reps” business card as a tangible reminder of the integral part respect plays in the life of a North Hunterdon High School student. Teachers will also be discussing the theme of respect in relation to the role it plays in every person's life as well as in the lives of the characters being studied in their literature classes.
- Science classes will focus on respecting our school and environment. Some of the classes will be creating sculptures as a visual representation of respect, and they will be displayed around the school.
- The Math department will focus on respecting those around us in the classroom, at extracurricular activities, and the community.
- The Social Studies department will focus on respecting society and how showing respect translates to lower incidences of bullying and harassment.
- The Media Center has created a display that focuses on respect.
- During the daily announcements each day, there will be songs about respect and information about respect and bullying.

While during the “Week of Respect” North Hunterdon High School will be placing a major focus on respect, this is a theme that is woven into our curricula throughout the course of the year. It is my sincere hope that between these activities and discussions you will have with your children, that we will be able to build and maintain an atmosphere of respect in our school and community.

If you have any questions regarding our planned activities, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MP Hughes". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Michael P. Hughes
Principal