



# MR. PEACE

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## **BULLYING: LOOK AT THE HEART FIRST:**

### **SUMMARY:**

The need to treat everyone like you treat your best friend & see them for their heart first & foremost is vital. This concept, along with how 1 word or action, positive or negative, can change a life forever, is reinforced during this presentation. Knowing the biggest reason for this epidemic stems from hurt people who hurt people, this assembly seeks to provide a safe space by showing students how to overcome pain & become healed people who heal people.

### **KEY THEMES:**

- See others for their hearts first & foremost (i.e., What's on the inside truly counts)
- Look at people as human beings before anything else (i.e., One Race Human concept)
- Treat everyone like you treat your best friend (i.e., The Golden Rule)
- Hurt people hurt people, but healed people heal people (i.e., Love overcomes Hate)
- Have the courage to stand up for yourself & others (i.e., Be the voice for the voiceless)
- All of us are beautiful miracles (i.e., See that in ourselves then help others believe it too)

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- What qualities make your best friend a best friend?
- What does it mean to truly see someone for their heart first?
- Is being kind being weak? Or is being kind being strong? Explain.
- Have you ever stood up for yourself when you were getting bullied?
- Have you ever stood up for someone else when they were getting bullied?
- How could showing love instead of hate help to diffuse a bullying situation?





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## DIVERSITY: NEED HUMAN KINDNESS:

### SUMMARY:

Learned in the first “Bullying” assembly, etched on all of our palms with the lines of each hand is the letter 'M', which stands for 'Miracle', & upside down 'W' for 'Worthy'. This talk aims to reinforce how unique each person is by respecting our differences on the inside, as well as the outside. This world needs more human kindness & that's exactly what appreciating those around us starts to accomplish when we show unconditional love, compassion & empathy.

### KEY THEMES:

- Examine what Diversity truly stands for (i.e., Both inner & outer differences we possess)
- Explore the need to value the uniqueness in everyone (i.e., Look for gold in each person)
- Judgments can shield us from meeting potential new friends (i.e., Get past stereotypes)
- Understand the need for human kindness (i.e., See how all of us require love in action)
- Make the right choice to show empathy (i.e., This world needs us to shine our light)
- Compassion can positively change hearts (i.e., The power of Unconditional Love)

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- What does the word Diversity mean to you? Talk about the various aspects of the term.
- How do we grow from respecting other's differences? Why is it so important we do so?
- Does a more or less diverse team achieve better results? Consider the teams you're on.
- How have you encountered Diversity in your life? At your school? In your community?
- When you hear the phrase “Need Human Kindness”, what comes to mind? Knowing this world is always in need of more kindness, what are some ways we can accomplish this?
- Think of a time when you met someone with a unique ability from you. What did you learn from them? What did they learn from you? How does relate to Diversity?





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## POSITIVE LIFE CHOICES: BE YOUR BEST SELF:

### SUMMARY:

Many schools request this theme closer to state testing time to motivate students to do their best & give their greatest effort. Not only do they come to realize their full potential, they begin to comprehend that the opposite of success is not failure, rather giving up. And just like the shirt worn for this performance reads, the words "Keep Your Head Up" are upside down intentionally to serve as a reminder to always think positive no matter our circumstances.

### KEY THEMES:

- We must make first choose to love ourselves before we can love others (i.e., Self-Worth)
- The beauty of life is everything is a choice (i.e., We control our stance, not circumstance)
- We have the effort, not the outcome (i.e., Put in the work & get the desired result)
- Know that we can go so much farther if we believe we can (i.e., The power of the mind)
- Failing doesn't make you a failure (i.e., Opposite of success isn't failure, it's quitting)
- Do Your Best Then Rest (i.e., As long as you've given it your all, that's all that matters)

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Do you know anyone famous who has failed in the past, but finally succeeded?
- What's the opposite of success to you? Is it failure, or giving up, or both? Explain.
- What does true success mean to you? Talk about what makes someone successful.
- Was there a time in your life you persevered past a defeat? How did you overcome it?
- Have you yourself ever failed at something & wanted to quit? Did you? Why? Why not?
- Write down a list of negative beliefs about yourself on a piece of paper of a color you dislike. Now tear it up, throw it out & replace it with a list of new positive beliefs written on a piece of paper of a color you like (i.e., I'm ugly becomes I'm pretty). Share.





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## LEADERSHIP: PASSION 2 PURPOSE:

### SUMMARY:

The sign of a true leader is found by looking at one's character & who they truly want to be remembered for. By placing an emphasis on people first & things second, the community will understand what it means to lead by example thru living lives devoted to building life-long relationships & doing what makes them come alive. If you have a pulse, you have a purpose, & this program encourages students to use their passions to positively impact this world.

### KEY THEMES:

- Focus on the necessity of making our relationships a priority (i.e., People 1st, things 2nd)
- Learn that true character's found when no one's watching (i.e., Your moral makeup)
- Examine how real leaders live to help the common good (i.e., Leaders live for others)
- Start the wheels turning for what makes you come alive (i.e., Your greatest passion)
- Begin with the end in mind to realize our purpose (i.e., What we're called to do)

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- What are you passionate about? What things do you like to do? Share with each other.
- Thinking about your passion/s, how can you use it/them to better this planet? Explain.
- Number your current priorities from 1 to 5 (i.e., \$, things, family, friends, clubs, etc.). Now re-number them where you'd like them to be (1=top) & write how to achieve this.
- How do people view you now? How do you want to be remembered? What changes do you need to make in how you're living today in order to achieve a favorable memory?
- Think about 3 people who have had a positive impact on you. What qualities have they exhibited as leaders? What's the top characteristic you've admired & want to copy?

