



R U E? (ARE YOU READY?)

Students have been tantalized by a poster campaign throughout school for the last 2 or 3 weeks. The teasers were posted to create curiosity about an assembly program that will happen on March 19th called "RACHEL'S CHALLENGE."

What is Rachel's Challenge?



Rachel Scott was the first person killed at Columbine High School on April 20, 1999. Her acts of kindness and compassion coupled with the contents of her six diaries have become the foundation for one of the most life-changing school programs in America.

Powerful video/audio footage of Rachel's life and the Columbine tragedy holds students spell-bound during a one hour school presentation that motivates them to positive change in the way they treat others.

This is followed by an interactive 45-minute training session involving both adult and student leaders that shows how to sustain the momentum created by the assembly. The assembly creates the "want to" or desire for positive change. The training session teaches the "how to" and ensures that the positive impact will continue.

That evening the Rachel's Challenge speaker conducts a powerful session with parents and community leaders. This session is similar to the assembly program and ends with a specific challenge to parents and community leaders, showing them how they can reinforce the decisions their youth are making.

Entertainers, politicians, sports celebrities, educators, and even two Presidents of the United States have been impacted by Rachel's Challenge. However, students are the target audience and they have proven that they will respond with positive words, attitudes, and actions.

Your school will never be the same after being exposed to Rachel's Challenge!

On March 19th the class of 2011 and the class of 2009 will experience the program in two separate assemblies. A third assembly will be presented on the evening of March 19 from 7:30 to 8:30 in cafeterias C/D at Arlington High School and it is open to parents and community members. The other classes will experience the assembly next fall. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Wood at ext. 1343 or Mr. Babb at ext. 1486 or Ms. Evans at ext. 1332.

To visit the official Rachel's Challenge website, click on the following link:
<http://www.rachelschallenge.com/>

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