



Current References

The following references can be contacted via email. Our post-assembly, internal rating system is a scale of 1-5 with a "5" being the best score possible. More references are available upon request.

Laura Milarch, Jersey Shore Area Middle School (Jersey Shore, PA), LMilarch@jsasd.org

Presentation date: January 2014

Speaker: Jerry Ackerman

Score: 5

Comments: Jerry followed through with each presentation with enthusiasm and addressed the subjects of the most interest to administration to have presented. The timing of the presentations worked well for our school. The student and staff response was exceptional. The parents were not physically present with the exception of just a few however the parents who watched the presentation live, on line, gave good feedback.

Laura Jennaro, New Berlin West High School (New Berlin, WI), laura.jennaro@nbexcellence.org

Presentation date: December 2013

Speaker: Matt Moran

Score: 5

Comments: We saw immediate action taken by students who were tired of bullying in the school. Matt truly changed the lives of more than one student that day! Thank you so much for your willingness to listen and personalize the presentation for our students. We were really impressed with the program and the momentum that has continued due to the assembly!

Valerie Galluci, Lancaster Community Schools (Lancaster, WI), GallucciV@lancastersd.k12.wi.us

Presentation Date: December 2013

Speaker: Matt Moran

Score: 5

Comments: Great job engaging the students and making it relevant to them. We believe that Matt connected very well with our Elementary and Middle school populations. Thank you for coming and providing the I Will Defend Message district-wide!

Michelle Cooper, Yorktown High School (Yorktown, IN), mcooper@yorktown.k12.in.us

Presentation Date: October 2013

Speaker: Jerry Ackerman

Score: 5

Comments: I just wanted to send you a quick email to share our appreciation of your presentations (teacher and student) today. Our teachers and students were edu-tained J! I believe you have sparked some productive conversations in our little community. Here is an email from one our teachers:

My 2A students (mostly freshmen) were very eager to talk about the convocation today and I got excellent reviews! Some of their comments that stick out in my mind were "I had never really thought about bullying in that way", "that was so much different than what I expected when I heard it was a bullying convocation", "I really like him and he had a lot of good things to say", "the 5 things to the boys/girls was dead on and it really made me think".

I really tried to encourage them as well and tell them that they can make a difference and to make a stand!

What a way to start our day!! J

Thanks so much for getting this together!

We appreciated your time and the impact you had on our school.