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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Roosevelt High School Community,

I would like to address the recent incidents at Roosevelt High School. As you may already know, we have found a few students in possession of narcotics. I would like to address this on two levels; first assuring you that we are working diligently to support an atmosphere conducive to academic and personal success for our students, secondly to appeal to you to join in our efforts.

Over the past five years the following precautions have been put in place to support a safe environment at Roosevelt High School:

Hyde Park CSD Code of Conduct is used to apply suitable and consistent discipline when students make poor choices.

FDR Administration and Resource Monitor Team is regularly trained in best practice to promote safety and adolescence awareness. We work with students and their families on a daily basis to promote appropriate behavior and a focus on success.

Hyde Park Student Resource Officer Martin Monaco has been assigned to our building on a daily basis, supporting students and their families and addressing issues where appropriate.

CAPE Students Assistance Counselor, Nicole Gallacher, is here to support students affected by alcohol and drug issues. She has provided training for our faculty, most recently a presentation on rising trends in drug use, particularly the abuse of prescription drugs and the increase of heroin within the teen population.

FDR Building SAVE Team, comprised of members of our administration, faculty and staff, has worked to develop emergency and safety protocols for our building that have been practiced and followed through when actual situations arise.

FDR Bullying Prevention Task Force has initiated awareness training for our staff and students and continues to study the most effective bullying prevention research. Guest speaker, Michael Fowlin's presentations focused on acceptance and bullying prevention have been well received by students and faculty for the past two years.

Collaboration with the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office's Canine Unit has resulted in yearly drug/bomb dog searches in our facility.

I have every confidence that our efforts are making an impact on the climate and culture of our school.

As mentioned, my appeal to you as family and friends is to educate yourselves in the areas that our teens are dealing with such as, drug /alcohol use, bullying, peer pressure, ultimately the social/emotional growth of adolescences. The more we know, the more we can support our teens. Secondly, I urge you to promote conversations with your teens. It is important to listen to what your teens are saying and hear what they are dealing with. Thirdly, I ask that you familiarize yourself with what is in your son/daughters belongings that are brought to school. We often say, "Not my child." However, a proactive stand can prevent occurrences before they happen or get out of hand. I know the students who do not bring drugs or alcohol into our school, will appreciate your caring about their school experience. My continued thanks for all you do as parents.

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Events and Information



PARENTS!!

Want to get involved in your child's education?

Join the PTSA!

**Next meeting: March 7, 2012
in the FDR Library
7:00 p.m.**

We will be hearing a guest speaker from MSG Varsity!

Home Away from Home Homework Help

We will be starting a new homework help program for students who are having difficulty getting assignments completed and are in danger of failing. The session will run after school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the FDR library.

We are looking for adult volunteers who are interested in working with high school aged students. Volunteer needs:

1. Chaperone and tutor from 2:15—3:15 Tuesdays, Wednesdays and/or Thursdays
2. Supply snacks on any or all days.

If you are interested in helping, please email Barbara Marrine at Barbara.marrine@hydeparkschools.org

Athletic Facilities Re-Vote

Our school Board of Education has decided to put up a **revised** proposition for a re-vote due to the failure of the first facilities proposition that was defeated by 64 votes. The re-vote is scheduled for Tuesday, March 20th. Voting will take place at Haviland Middle School from 6 am - 9pm. The athletic updates included in this proposition are essential to the safety and wellness of our athletes and spectators. The updates would restore our 40+ year old track, field and bleachers to a usable state. Please spread the word about this important voting event for our community.

Music and Arts Department

Gearing Up for the Spring Musical!

This year's musical will be Aida, with music by Elton John. Students are in the midst of rehearsals, setting scenes, memorizing lines, practicing pit music. It is sure to be a wonderful performance! Save the date!

March 15, 16, 17, 2012

PTSA Clothing Drive

Saturday, May 5, 2012

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Donations of wearable and usable clothing, footwear, accessories such as pocketbooks, belts, hats, gloves, linens and blankets will be accepted at the FDR High School main lobby. Please place all donations in well tied plastic garbage bags, however, footwear must be bagged separately.

If you have any questions, please contact Terri Hein at 845-473-4182.

Buy your all-color yearbook now!

We have ordered a limited number of extra yearbooks. Late orders are being accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis -- the cost is \$75 (including tax). Order your yearbook now while supplies last. Last year approximately 50 students were not able to buy yearbooks because they did not place an order on time!!! Orders can be placed online through the school's website or in the main office.

