

Week of Respect
October 3-7, 2022
Manalapan Englishtown Middle School



The State of NJ recognizes the first full week of October as the "Week of Respect." While our character education program and the ideals of such are reinforced all year long, we are recognizing this week through the following activities and initiatives.

PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR MEMS STUDENT LEADERS

The MEMS counselors have partnered with the MEMS Student Leaders to bring the Week of Respect activities to students at MEMS. The Student Leaders are students within the MEMS community who show exemplary character and set an example for all MEMS students. Their partnership will help foster involvement and participation in the activities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & DAILY CHALLENGES

MEMS TV studio daily announcements with character education, delivered each morning by our Student Leaders.

- Student Leaders will be promoting messages of good character, respect, kindness, and anti bullying daily.
- Student Leaders will be encouraging students to participate in a daily kindness challenge (ex: say hi to someone new, give a compliment, hallway hellos, greet the teacher, hold the door, high five someone, etc)

SPIRIT DAYS

One way in which we will further unify our students is through a series of "spirit days."

Students who participate can receive 1 ticket per day for daily prize drawings.

***Student participation is not required, but is always encouraged. Also, the expectation is not for parents/guardians to go out and buy special items for these days. In fact, creativity and originality are encouraged!*

School-wide spirit days are as follows:

- **Monday, October 3rd**: "Be a Team Player": Students are encouraged to wear their favorite sports jersey, activity shirt, etc.
- **Tuesday, October 4th**: "It's No Sweat to be Kind" Day: Students are encouraged to wear their favorite leggings, sweatshirt, sweatpants, or sweat outfit.

- **Wednesday, October 5th: No School**
- **Thursday, October 6th**: “Put a Cap on Conflict” Day: Students are encouraged to wear their favorite hat
- **Friday, October 7th**: “School CommUNITY Day”: Students are encouraged to wear MEMS school colors/spirit wear.

DONATION DRIVE

During the Week of Respect, the students of MEMS will be demonstrating respect for not only other people, but also for animals by holding a donation drive. All items collected will be donated to the MCSPCA and Calling All Cats Rescue. Students will receive 1 ticket per donation item to be entered into our prize drawings.

INCENTIVES

Students will Student Leaders have teamed up with our counseling department to show appreciation for the respect and kindness that you display on a daily basis.

CLASSROOM VISITS

School counselors will begin their visits to the classrooms to (re)introduce themselves to students, speak about respect and bullying (HIB), and continue to foster positive relationships with students.

SCHOOL-WIDE PBSIS

Remind students about the year long positive behavior initiatives:

- “Positive Behavior Referrals” and being recognized for displaying character traits by distributing referrals all year long to be displayed outside of the main office and entered into a monthly gift card drawing.
- “Student of the Month” which recognizes students for outstanding character. This will also give them an entry into the monthly gift card drawing.