

TO: ALL MEDIA

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RE: North Middle School Special Olympics Assembly - featured speaker and Polar Plunge students recognized!

TODAY - NOVEMBER 30th - 2:00 PM

North Middle School has supported Special Olympics this week culminating today with a Respect Rally Assembly. From dressing up backwards to team colors, they have focused on their theme and motto as Unified Partners: "One of our similarities is, that we are all DIFFERENT".

Today at 2:00 (Friday, November 30) they will gather in the gym to hear their featured speaker, a special olympics athlete himself. They will also recognize the SEVEN students participating in the polar plunge on December 7th along with the SEVEN staff members. "I believe this is the most students we have ever had participate in the plunge during the Christmas stroll," commented Assistant Principal and leader of the Special Olympics Unified Partners team Jamie McGraw. "Our students enjoy the opportunity to support Special Olympics and the upcoming Special Olympics State Games in May."

We still support our motto from last year as well, "Respect is the only "R" word dictionary.

Please join us at the Assembly today as we celebrate a week of supporting Special Olympics and kick-off the fundraising for our school involvement in the Polar Plunge for a great cause!

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