

# NASHOBA VALLEY TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Office of the Superintendent

Date: November 16, 2011

### MEMORANDUM

To: All Staff

From: Dr. Judith L. Klimkiewicz

RE: Cut It Out and White Ribbon Campaign

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As an addendum to my previous email dated November 4, 2011 regarding Cut It Out and the White Ribbon Campaign, I would like to update the events that will be taking place on Thursday, November 17, 2011.

At 9:00AM Gerry Leone, Middlesex District Attorney will be arriving to talk to the cosmetology students in the Restaurant regarding the training they received earlier this year from "Cut It Out" to recognize the signs of domestic abuse and help to convince those victims to contact people that can help them.

At approximately 9:30AM seventeen women (all victims of abuse) from area shelters will be part of our third annual "Dress for Success" event. The women will be treated to a new hairstyle, manicure and makeup demonstrations by our cosmetology students, shop in the Viking Mall for a new outfit and accessories and finally, have a luncheon in their honor at The Elegant Chef.

At the same time, 9:30 – 10:30AM, as a continuation of "Our Year of Caring" theme, all the male students and male staff will be sent to the auditorium to listen to a presentation by District Attorney Leone called "White Ribbon Campaign". The discussion will focus on teenage dating violence, domestic abuse and the cycle of violence that currently plagues our society. Healthy and appropriate male role models will be used as examples of what the students should strive to be.

At the conclusion of this discussion on making good decisions and relationships, the young men will be asked to make a pledge and agree to wear a white ribbon which signifies the acceptance of a non-violent means of resolving differences in relationships. During the presentation and after it is our hope that students and staff will continue to

have discussions that will reinforce our beliefs in healthy, caring, and giving relationships.

I hope you will be excited to be part of this very special day and to aid in ensuring that it runs smoothly, the directions for the White Ribbon Campaign for Thursday, November 17, 2011 are attached. Any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Again, thank you for all you do for our students.

Dr. Judith L. Klimkiewicz  
Superintendent

## Instructions for Female Staff White Ribbon Campaign

Thank you for waiting to open the instructions envelope until the appropriate time. You and the students in your classroom will also be participating in the White Ribbon Campaign presentation. Please share the information in these instructions with your class.

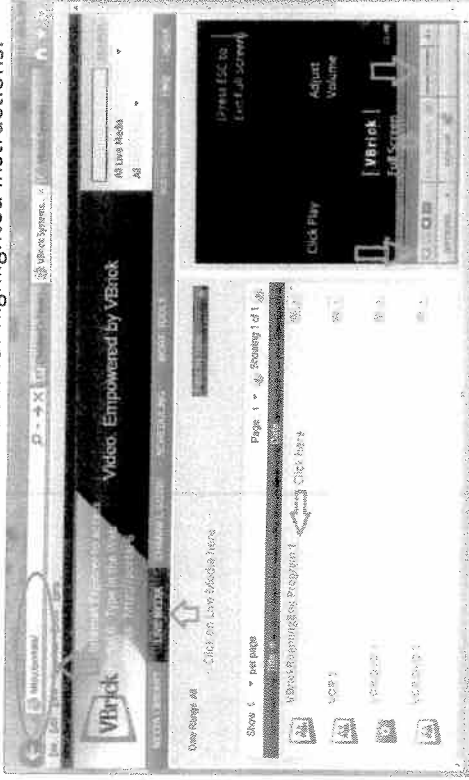
We have arranged for you to view LIVE the assembly for the males which is occurring simultaneously in the Auditorium. However, the male students DO NOT KNOW that the female students are observing the assembly. We have arranged for TV Media to broadcast the event live through our VBrick/Portal 6 system.

During the assembly male students will listen to District Attorney Gerry Leone regarding the “White Ribbon...#157; campaign.” The discussion will focus on teenage dating violence, domestic abuse and the cycle of violence that currently plagues our society. Healthy and appropriate male role models will be used as examples of what they should seek to achieve. At the conclusion of this discussion on “making good decisions and relationships...#157;” the young men will be asked to make a pledge aloud and agree to wear the white ribbon which represents the acceptance of a non violent means of resolving differences in relationships. It is our hope that this will continue to reinforce our beliefs in healthy, caring and giving relationships.

At this time, please utilize the instructions below to access the live presentation and view the presentation with your students.

1. Open internet browser.
2. In the address bar, type “portal6” without quotes. Press Enter.
3. Click “Live Media”
4. The first link should be “VBrickRoamingEnc Program1” . Click that.
5. Click Play.
6. Adjust audio on slider accordingly and click “Full Screen” if desired.
7. Press Esc to exit fullscreen mode.

Please see the screen shot below for highlighted instructions:



At the conclusion of the presentation, please engage your class in discussion for a few minutes regarding the White Ribbon Campaign until an announcement to return student to normal scheduling.

