





Respect Thrives: Davie Respect Initiative Winners Make a Difference!

The second annual Davie Respect Initiative (DRI) is underway, with final applications due on October 10. The results from the 2018 Challenge are glowing and impressive.

As Isabella Brown wrote: "Before I went through the process of entering the Davie Respect Initiative, I viewed respect as 'treating others the way you'd want to be treated'. While this is part of respect, I learned that it is much more." Jose Garcia shared: "This program taught me a lot, I constantly think about respect today. When I was working on the project, I would ask my friends and they would ask their friends what respect meant to them. They all had different thoughts and ideas, but it all came back to the Golden Rule." Madi Rogers, only 13 when she entered and became a winner, wrote "I would have never imagined that an idea I had would have such an impact on students in all three of Davie County's Middle schools to increase the amount of respect they show to others."

DRI Winners Becoming Ambassadors of Respect Within DC and Beyond:

- Creation of a video for social media 'treat others as you would like to be treated'
- Banishing Bias Bingo
- Yard work for elderly
- · Cam's Coffee at Davie Medical
- Smash It to eliminate gossip

- Worked to begin a program of Ambassadors for new students
- Working toward an Inclusive School Advisory Committee

The Selection Panelists Were Also Impacted:

Towfik Shehata: "These young students have such great ideas on how to create respectful and inclusive communities. They are very ambitious and talented, and I see great potential in their future if it's anything like the ideas they put forth in this initiative. I'm proud of the youth because they truly care about our community and humanity and want to make the world a better place."

Asia Moore: "On a personal level, I was inspired by each and every one of them. They definitely made me take a step back and take a look in the mirror to reevaluate myself and how I too can make this world a better place and how I can put extra effort into my everyday life with simple interactions with people."

Half way round the world, a young group of kids heard about the DRI and started their very own, Zimbabwe Respect Initiative. A quote from a Pastor about one of the ZRI projects: "I am humbled as I never expected that young people like yourselves would make time to offer free labour to clean my church." Way to go DC youth, your efforts have far reaching impacts!

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