

Rachel's Challenge

An "Anti-Bullying" Presentation

Thursday, Sept. 1

7:00 - 8:00 PM

Eastwood Elementary Gym



RACHEL'S CHALLENGE: Rachel Scott was the first person killed at Columbine High School on April 20, 1999. Her acts of kindness and compassion coupled with the contents of her six diaries have become the foundation for the most life-changing school program in America, *Rachel's Challenge*. This school program, founded by her father Mr. Darrell Scott, has prevented numerous suicides, drastically reduced bullying, and in three known instances in 2007 alone prevented a planned school shooting.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: All community members are invited to learn more about Rachel's Challenge and how we can help the youth in our community to embrace kindness and compassion.

CHILDCARE PROVIDED: This presentation is geared for adults therefore the Eastwood Elementary PTA will be providing childcare for any children accompanying their parents.

SPEAKER: Rachel's Challenge representative Todd Lauderdale will conduct a powerful session with parents, business leaders, and community members similar to the assembly he presented to students during school. It ends with a specific challenge to parents and community leaders, showing them how they can reinforce the decisions their youth are making.

Todd lives in California with his wonderful wife and 3 kids. He loves meeting new people, visiting new places, and inspiring others to live their lives with purpose and meaning. Rachel Scott's story had a tremendous impact on him personally, and he felt compelled to share her message with others. Since joining Rachel's Challenge he has shared her message of kindness and compassion with over 100,000 students nationwide.

No matter how small an act of kindness, we can make a difference!

Start a Chain Reaction



Want To Be Involved?

Students at our school are being impacted by *Rachel's Challenge*. The staff and students of Eastwood will work hard this year to insure that the chain reaction of kindness promoted through Rachel's Challenge will continue on a permanent basis.

There are three ways that you, as a parent or business owner, can be involved.

1. Adults are needed in the community that will volunteer to help with the Kindness and Compassion Groups. You can get full details about what this means from the school counselor, Joan Houdek at 499-1211.
2. You can help sponsor the Eastwood's Kindness and Compassion Program financially on an annual basis. The money will be used for posters, journals, cardstock, awards, other materials needed for the program, or our end of the year celebration. Your support would help Eastwood create a permanent culture change.
3. You could help Eastwood students promote activities they will be conducting during the school year.

All of your financial aid goes directly to the school's Kindness and Compassion Program. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance for your support.

-Joan Houdek, Eastwood Elementary Counselor
-Eastwood Elementary PTA