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Dear Superintendent Perkins & Gallatin County School Board Members:

This letter of approval is for hosting Rachel's Challenge on September 23, 2011 for middle and high school students. Please review the attachment for more information about this program. Thank you for considering this proposal. Together we can make a difference.

Sincerely,

Regina Danaher-Smith, YSC Coordinator

Roxann Booth, High School Principal

Dorothy B. Perkins, Superintendent

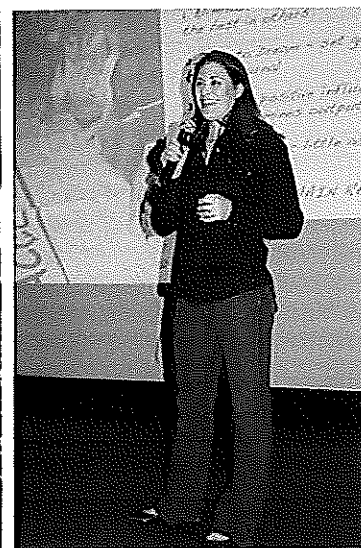
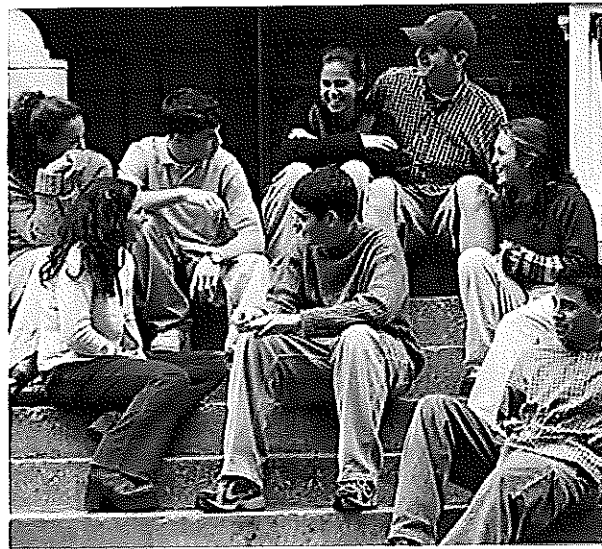
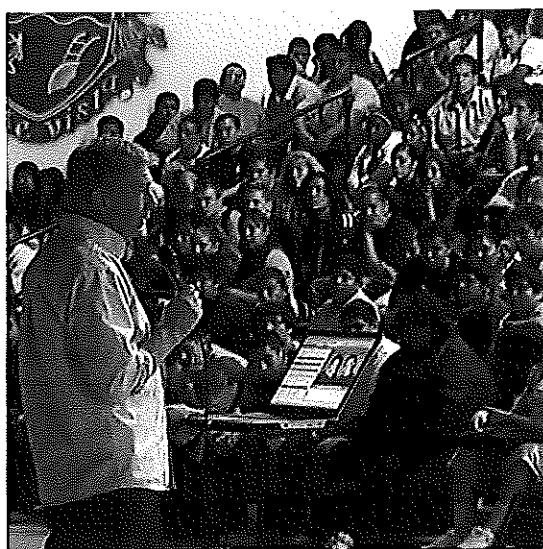
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RACHEL'S

Challenge

start a chain reaction

motivate. educate. activate.



Students have the power to make PERMANENT, POSITIVE, CULTURAL CHANGE in their schools by accepting the challenge of Rachel Scott to start a chain reaction of kindness and compassion. Without any politics, religion or profit involved, the message of Rachel's Challenge inspires students to bring about this change in their school and community.

We motivate the students by sharing Rachel's story in our school assembly program. We then educate them with additional training and curriculum. And finally we activate them to get involved through events, exercises and community service.

What We Do

School Assemblies

Students participate in an emotionally charged 1-hour multimedia assembly. The presentation opens with a 5-minute documentary to inform students about the Columbine tragedy. This video sets the stage and also adds context to the amazing life of kindness that Rachel lived. The remainder of the assembly focuses on true stories from Rachel's life and the people who were impacted by her acts of kindness. Students are given practical ways to impact their school, community and world with proactive positive actions. Rachel's challenges will motivate a life of purpose, kindness, and compassion.

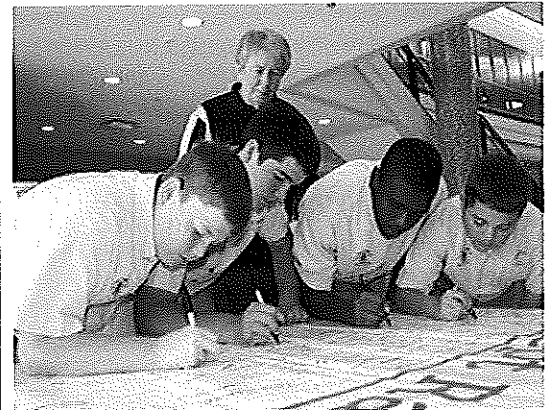
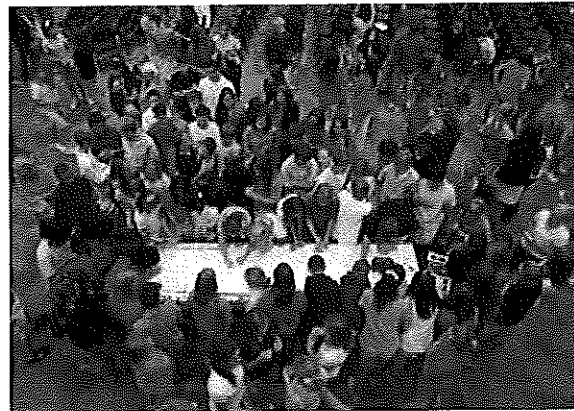
Student Training

The motivating school assembly is followed by a 90-minute training session to educate a smaller group of students. During this time, students are given opportunity to share how they were personally impacted by the program,

as well as anything they would like to see accomplished on their campus. They will also get practical ideas and applications of how they can create a long-lasting climate and culture change in their school. These include ways to welcome new students, create an atmosphere of kindness and appreciation and identify needs in the school and community. Finally, the framework is established for a campus club called FOR (Friends of Rachel) to sustain the message of kindness and compassion, to activate lasting change in their school.

Evening Community Event

The community event goes even further to bring Rachel's message of kindness and compassion to parents, family and others in the community. This presentation is designed to spread Rachel's story beyond just students and faculty, but to also motivate, educate and inspire an entire community.



Don't miss the opportunity to have the Rachel's Challenge program impact your school. To get started:

- Call Tim, your marketing representative, and ask about tours scheduled in your area
- Watch the videos online at www.rachelschallenge.org
- Share this information with your administration/counselors, as well as other schools in your area to get them involved. Encourage local schools to join a tour for your area and increase community impact.
- Begin to secure funding sources

Program dates are available throughout the fall and spring semesters.

Contact us via phone or email if you need additional information:

877.895.7060 x709 | tim@rachelschallenge.org

What You Can Do

Program Impact

"Attendance is up, disciplinary referrals are down, and the students feel a sense of community. Students speak out against bullying and intimidation and inform the administration of other inappropriate behavior. We recommend Rachel's Challenge as a must see for high school and middle school students." - T. Thompson, Principal, Southport HS

"Your message helped me to overcome my sister's death and prevent my own."
- 9th Grader

"As a professional educator, I have never been so passionate about the positive opportunities Rachel's Challenge will bring to our community." - J. Bryant, Principal, Greenbrier East High School

"The best school assembly I have attended in 25 years of teaching...I recommend this program to any school, without reservation." - D. Douglas, Teacher, East Hampton High School

Rachel's 5 Challenges

1. **Eliminate Prejudice** by looking for the best in others
2. **Dare to Dream** - set goals, keep a journal
3. **Choose your Influences** - input determines output
4. **Kind Words** - small acts of kindness=huge impact
5. **Start a Chain Reaction** with family and friends

Contact Us

To find out
what tours are in your area
and secure your date, contact:

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