

## Thirty Humble ISD schools receive *No Place for Hate*<sup>®</sup> distinction

Several Humble ISD schools were recognized as *No Place for Hate*<sup>®</sup> campuses by the Anti-Defamation League (ADL). These 30 campuses organized and implemented school-wide activities in an effort to stand up against bullying and promote respect for all.

“It was a year long effort for each of these schools to become recognized as an ADL *No Place for Hate*<sup>®</sup> campus,” says Matt Smith, Coordinator of Affective Education.

Campuses are recognized annually in the ADL’s *No Place for Hate*<sup>®</sup> campaign. To qualify for the *No Place for Hate*<sup>®</sup> distinction, a school must demonstrate a commitment to social and emotional learning that promotes respect and tolerance. Examples of programs and activities throughout Humble ISD included watching and discussing the anti-bullying video "Choose Respect," *Mix it Up* during lunch, *No Name Calling Week*, designating a Peace Garden and a *Be the Change Week* - all of which encouraged students to be more actively engaged with their peers in a respectful and inclusive manner. Susan Shaw, Associate Director of the ADL Southwest Region, presented the *No Place for Hate*<sup>®</sup> distinctions to the District.

“This is quite an achievement,” said Shaw. “To have so many schools in one district receiving the *No Place for Hate*<sup>®</sup> designation shows such a commitment by Humble ISD to their students. We are overwhelmed by their efforts to provide students and staff with a safe and welcoming climate at school.”

Smith is equally as proud of the *No Place for Hate*<sup>®</sup> campuses, and extends that to include all Humble ISD schools.

“This is a way for campuses to be recognized for their work in this area,” said Smith. “Our Affective Education program, which all schools include and improve upon each year, promotes an environment of social and emotional wellness. That environment allows opportunities for exploration and learning at its highest levels.”

Planning is already underway for next year’s activities, as Smith adds, “We are very grateful for this recognition from the ADL and look forward to even more campuses applying for this distinction in the future.”



### Humble ISD’s 2013 *No Place for Hate*<sup>®</sup> Campuses:

Atascocita Springs Elem  
Deerwood Elem  
Elm Grove Elem  
Fall Creek Elem  
Foster Elem  
Greentree Elem  
Humble Elem  
Jack Fields Elem  
Lakeland Elem  
Maplebrook Elem

Northbelt Elem  
Oaks Elem  
Oak Forest Elem  
Park Lakes Elem  
Pine Forest Elem  
Summerwood Elem  
Willow Creek Elem  
Atascocita Middle  
Creekwood Middle  
Kingwood Middle

Riverwood Middle  
Ross Sterling Middle  
Timberwood Middle  
Woodcreek Middle  
Atascocita High  
Humble High  
Kingwood High  
Kingwood Park High  
Summer Creek High  
Quest Early College High School