

# Wayne

Township Public Schools

## **CELEBRATES ABILITY AWARENESS IN THE MONTH OF MAY!**

**In support of the inclusive philosophy of Wayne Township Public Schools, our schools will be holding month-long Ability Awareness events.**

Celebrating Ability Awareness is a district-wide initiative that focuses on raising awareness and embracing differences and commonalities among students, staff and the community. Please help us come together in May to celebrate a world of inclusion!

**May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> - Guest Speaker, Rohan Murphy  
will speak with middle school students at a grade level.**

For more information visit: <http://www.rohanmurphy.com/>

**May 15<sup>th</sup> - Mix-It-Up during Lunch at ALL Elementary Schools!**

Please wear mismatched clothing on this day! During lunch on this day, students will have an opportunity to sit with students they may not sit with every day. Perhaps you may meet a new friend or reconnect with an old one. Take this time to get to know fellow school buddies with whom you may not typically interact.

**May 15<sup>th</sup> - May 25<sup>th</sup>: Awareness Bracelet Fundraising Sale  
Sponsored by Wayne Special Parents Association.**

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- Respect (Red)
- Trust (Yellow)
- Friendship (Green)
- Kindness (Purple)
- Acceptance (Blue)

Bracelets are \$2.00 each. Students who participate in the Structured Learning Experience (SLE) work program will have opportunities to assist with this sale at each school. All proceeds will benefit Wayne Special Parents Association (WSPA) to continue investing in and providing programs and supports for students of differing abilities.



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### Bracelets for Sale on the Following Days:

5/15: Randall Carter

5/16: APT, James Fallon & Lafayette

5/17: JFK & Ryerson

5/18: Theunis Dey & Pines Lakes

5/19: Packanack

5/22: Anthony Wayne & George Washington

5/23: Schuyler Colfax

5/24: Wayne Hills

5/25: Wayne Valley



Wayne Special Parents Association

All proceeds will be going to the Wayne Special Parents Association (WSPA) to continue the initiative of raising awareness and celebrating differences and commonalities.



Elementary School Counselors Celebrate...

# MIX It Up Day !

**Monday, May 15th**

During this special day, "We ask students to move out of their comfort zones and connect with someone new over lunch. It's a simple act with profound implications. Studies have shown that interactions across group lines can help reduce prejudice. When students interact with those who are different from them, biases and misperceptions can fall away."

**Students are encouraged to wear mismatched clothing to school.**

