



## ERHS UPDATE:

Fostering a culture of inclusivity and belonging for all students

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### East Rockaway School District Mission Statement

The East Rockaway School District respects our diverse community and proud traditions by engaging every student in an innovative and challenging educational program which inspires learners to become self-directed, ethical, creative, and globally conscious citizens.



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### Our Approach

**PROMOTING POSITIVE BEHAVIORS** 

**ACADEMICS** 

**CELEBRATING OUR CULTURES** 

**INCREASED SENSE OF BELONGING AND INCLUSIVITY** 





### Promoting Positive Behavior

<u>Rock Bucks</u> is a <u>Positive Behavior Incentive System</u> designed to reward students for positive behaviors aligned with the traits of:

W isdom

**E** mpathy

R espect

O ptimism

**C** ompassion

K indness





### Promoting Positive Behavior

Positive Behavior Incentive Systems (PBIS) are research proven help student improve behaviors and building culture.

Students are awarded Rock Bucks by staff members and can exchange their rewards for a variety of prizes or experiences.







### Promoting Positive Behavior

#### Possible Rewards Include:

- Candy
- ERHS Merchandise (water bottle, T-shirt, pen)
- Gift Cards (courtesy of the ERHS PTA)
- On campus parking for Juniors and Seniors
- Off campus lunch privilege for Sophomores
- Pizza party for student and 4 friends
- In class rewards (3 points on a test, late homework pass)
- "Principal for a Day"
- ERHS Instagram Takeover

Student Voice: John Serino

...and much more!





### Academics

#### **AVID:**

# <u>A</u>chievement <u>V</u>ia <u>I</u>ndividual <u>D</u>etermination

- Focus on collaborative norms
- Food drive (hunger & food insecurity unit)
- Current events and discussions of real-world issues

#### **Schoolwide:**

- "One Book, One School"
- Research project 8<sup>th</sup> grade SS
- Vignette writing 7<sup>th</sup> grade ELA
- Seal of Biliteracy
- Seal of Civic Readiness

<u>Student Voices</u>: Jethro Jacquet; Krista Fardella



### Celebrating Our Cultures

Setting a course for excellence
EAST ROCKAWAY
SCHOOL DISTRICT

- In Advisory, students
   presented during Hispanic
   Heritage Month to their
   younger peers
- January focus on the work of Martin Luther King, Jr.
- Dr. Nancy Kaplan and Mr.
   Lamar Lee workshops with students on belonging & inclusivity

Student Voice: Matt Larin

- Cafeteria has expanded its menu options
- Dignity Club
- YOUNations
- Availability of translation during live events
- Cultural Competency Task Force







Thank you for your attention.

Are there any questions?