



Ardmore High School
Ardmore City Schools

Mr. White,

It was with great pleasure having you to present "Measured by Character" to our students on 22 April 2106. During the presentation our student body was attentive and quiet. In the four years that I have been at Ardmore High, this presentation held their attention the best. The message was one that our students needed to hear. I believe that it was sincere and genuine and that the students bought into it. In a time that they need reassurance and hope for the future, it was straight and to the point.

Mr. White's presentation was very powerful. He has a no non-sense approach to sharing his son's story and it is truly needed in today's society. He allows his emotions to show, which I believe allows the students to see the true impact his son and the accident had on his life and continues to have. Getting to hear from not only Mr. White, but also the officer on the scene, video testimony from his son's former classmates and friends, allows the students to see this type of accident and can affect everyone involved. It also gives students the ability to see what a great legacy this young man left behind, all because of his character!

He involves the student body throughout the presentation. At one point he had the students to get up and move throughout the stands. There were students that showed strong emotion as they hugged. I saw students who were immediately impacted by the story and our counselors and staff were there to help these students. I truly believe that if ONE student was helped by Mr. White's presentation then it was worthwhile.

In today's society, a lot of our students are hurting. From the broken homes, relationships, drugs and other negative influences our students need to hear a message of hope. They need to realize that they all have a legacy, what type do they want to be known for? The "measured by Character" presentation underscores the importance of building a positive legacy.

I believe that this presentation would be a positive influence in any school or organization. It would be awesome if it could be used bi-annually. The number of students that would have an opportunity to hear a positive message would be increased. This old world provides a

tremendous amount of negatives, it is time for positive messaging that the students will listen too.

Thank You Mr. White,

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