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Slurs, Offensive Jokes, and How to Respond

On October 31, Mr. Valek, Mr. Thompson, and Ms. Baker met with all grade levels in the LRC to talk about racially charged language and offensive jokes with students. Students were provided with a survey earlier in the week related to this topic, and responded to questions about racially charged language they hear at school and in society. We talked about the impact of harmful language, and encouraged students to speak up when they hear offensive things being said. We encourage parents and guardians to have a conversation with your child(ren) about this topic, and encourage appropriate behavior and language when at school.

If a student feels like they have been the victim of racist language, jokes, or they have witnessed any of these things happening against another student, we encourage them to report it to an adult and complete the bully complaint form, which is located under the "Students" tab on the Magnet home page.

American Diabetes Month

November is American Diabetes Month and is a time to rally against the diabetes epidemic. The American Diabetes Association is leading the charge through research, education, and advocacy.



Upcoming Classroom Visits

Mr. Thompson will be visiting classrooms and providing the following lessons in November:

6th grade: Organization

7th Grade: Personal Identity: Who Am I?

8th Grade: Claim Your Future

All students have access to a grade-level counseling class in Google Classroom. In the event that a student is absent, they will be able to obtain the information they missed.



Community Resources

A list of community resources can be found on our website: <https://magnet.d131.org/aurora-area-resources/>.

Important Dates

- Nov 5 Election Day- no school
- Nov 11 Veteran's Day (Observed)
- Nov 13-19 Transgender Awareness Week
- Nov 27-29 Thanksgiving Break