The Walled Lake Schools

Unity Declaration Resolution

We hereby document our resolve and desire to help create a Walled Lake school community and a world in which we express love through kindness to all. Our school community is a place in which diversity is an asset, a source of beauty, and an inspiration.

We acknowledge and recognize that our own conscious behaviors should foster acceptance, respect, and compassion for all people. Regardless of our race, religion, gender, nationality, or differing abilities, we can, and will achieve unity, peace, and prosperity as a human race.
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We would like to thank our sponsors for the Walled Lake Schools Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration!

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Welcome ................................. Julie Amann, Co-Chairperson
Walled Lake Schools Diversity Committee

Julie Intro Chamber Singers
— The Star Spangled Banner ............... Chamber Singers
Walled Lake Western High School
Sarah Stockton, Director

— Lift Every Voice and Sing
   (The Negro National Anthem)

Julie Intro Ken
A Message From Our Superintendent .... Mr. Ken Gutman
Superintendent

Julie Intro Anne
“Express Yourself” .......................... Anne Maxwell, Teacher
Student Projects Oakley Park Elementary
Walled Lake Schools Diversity Committee

“Be the Change” Artwork Kellan Colden
4th Grade, Wixom Elementary

“Take Care of the World” Artwork Basmala Abdulale
5th Grade, Pleasant Lake Elementary

“Be the Change” Poem Yuvanika Karthikeyan
4th Grade, Wixom Elementary

“Be the Change” Poem Emerson Baker
3rd Grade, Wixom Elementary

“Be the Change” Video Sam Moses & Kamali Wede
5th Grade, Wixom Elementary
Community Wide Celebration

January 20, 2020

Anne Intro Chamber Singers
— I Sing Because I’m Happy ………………… Chamber Singers
By: Rollo Dilworth
Walled Lake Western High School
Sarah Stockton, Director

Introduction of the Keynote Speaker………….Kevin Francis, Co-Chairperson
Walled Lake Schools Diversity Committee

“Look Within: Be the Change ………………… Dr. Jay Marks
You Wish to See in the World” Oakland Schools
Diversity and Equity Consultant

Kevin Gift Presentation and Intro Nayal

“Alec Bender Friend of Diversity Award”…… Nayal Maktari, Co-Chairperson
Walled Lake Schools Diversity Committee
Mr. Ken Gutman, Superintendent
Mr. Greg Janicki,
Walled Lake Schools Board of Education

Nayal Intro Singing Sharks
— Music Brings Us Together ………………… Pleasant Lake Elementary Singing Sharks
By: Garry Smith
Pleasant Lake Elementary
Dan Bowyer, Director

— Song of Peace
By: Theresa Jennings

Closing Remarks……………………………… Nayal Maktari, Co-Chairperson
Walled Lake Schools Diversity Committee

— We Shall Overcome ………………………… Pleasant Lake Elementary Singing Sharks
Pleasant Lake Elementary
Dan Bowyer, Director
Everyone in the Audience
We Would Like To Thank...

- The PTA and PTSA groups and members of the Walled Lake Schools staff who donated funds to purchase food for our Multicultural Dinner
- The Walled Lake School Employees Federal Credit Union for their financial support
- The Walled Lake School Administrators Association for their financial support
- The DTE Energy Foundation for their financial support
- Students and staff members who prepared displays about our theme: “Look Within: Be the Change You Wish to See in the World”
- Our keynote speaker, Dr. Jay Marks
- Students from around the district who created “Express Yourself” projects
- Student performers and directors who participated in tonight’s program
- The Indian American Student Association from Walled Lake Central High School for their performance during dinner
- Keith Elementary Green Team, who recycled the water bottles from tonight’s event
- KC3, the Community Service Club at Keith Elementary, who served as table bussers and greeters
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- Members of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration Planning Committee
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