## WILTON-LYNDEBOROUGH COOPERATIVE

## MIDDLE SCHOOL / HIGH SCHOOL

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## WLC Principal Report November 15, 2016

October 24<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup> was Red Ribbon Week. This week signifies the oldest and largest drug prevention campaign in the country. Red Ribbon Week serves as a vehicle for communities and individuals to take a stand for the hopes and dreams of our children. The philosophy behind Red Ribbon Week is to make a commitment to drug prevention and education and a personal commitment to live drug free lives.

On October 26th, Richard Farrell spoke to WLC students in grades 9-12. He shared his personal experiences with opioid addiction and warned of the worsening of the opioid epidemic in New Hampshire and the United States. "The world you are living in is harder than the one I faced." With stories of people he knew and places he has been, Farrell conveyed to the students the reality of the opioid crisis today. Richard Farrell is an author, filmmaker, WGA screenwriter, and motivational speaker.

**November is epilepsy awareness month.** Epilepsy is a medical condition that produces seizures affecting a variety of mental and physical functions. It's also called a seizure disorder. On November 8th WLC recognized epilepsy awareness month by wearing purple. WLC showed their true spirit by wearing purple and supported the fight against epilepsy.

On Wednesday, November 9th there was a field trip to Keene State College to attend the 2016 College Access Convention. This was an excellent opportunity to visit a college campus, receive a campus tour, ask questions to a panel of college students, attend a College Fair and enjoy the fine dining that Keene State College has to offer.

Students from Middle School Spanish and Spanish I classes did reports on one of twenty two countries in the world where people speak Spanish. Students used their preliminary vocabulary to gather facts - where the country is located, what geographic features are around it, the colors of the flag, and so on. Then, armed with notes from their own presentations and their classmates, they set up Skype calls with an individual from one of the twenty two countries. They had to ask questions in Spanish and try to figure out the country the person was from. Students finally figured out he was from Chile. The students loved the lesson.

Four students are swimming with the Milford Swim Team and one student is wrestling with the Milford Wrestling Team. All the students represent WLC.

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