

National Red Ribbon Week October 23-October 27, 2017

For the 27th consecutive year our school and community will participate in the National Red Ribbon Week. The students in grades 5-8 are creating KEYS that will be made into a mural to be displayed at the school wide assembly on Friday, October 27th. Grades K-4 will decorate bags that will be distributed at Joe's Meat Shop on Oct 27th. This year the national focus is **Your Future is KEY so Stay Drug Free**. Student government is organizing and facilitating the assembly and will do a presentation.

In 1985, Drug Enforcement Administration undercover agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena lost his life to drug traffickers in Mexico. Angered by his death and the damaging effects of drugs on our culture, people from Camarena's hometown of Calexico, California began wearing red ribbons in his honor. The trend spread across the country, and in 1988 Congress proclaimed the last full week in October as National Red Ribbon Week. This event continues to grow as more and more schools show their support for a drug-free America.

ATTENTION PARENTS!!!!!! On <u>Friday</u>, October 27, 2017 we will have a "FOCUS DAY." We hope the entire school; (all students, staff and administrators) will come to school in RED to commemorate this day. Let us as a school and as a community show our support for the goal of healthy and safe choices.