## MICHEAL BROWN

## TONAWANDA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

100 HINDS STREET TONAWANDA, NEW YORK 14150 716-694-7784-Phone 716-695-8738-Fax



MICHEAL BROWN
HS PRINCIPAL

DAVID A. SELLAN MS PRINCIPAL

LYNDSEY TODARO
HS ASST. PRINCIPAL

RENEE SMITH
MS DEAN OF STUDENTS

May 21, 2022

Dear Middle/High School Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

The Tonawanda City School District continues to stand united in our commitment to denounce racism and hatred. During the week, we had our crisis team available for teachers, students and staff if they needed to check in. Students, staff and teachers participated in a moment of silence to honor the victims. We also shared resources with teachers and staff that included activities and lessons on exploring racism, stereotypes, etc. As we continue to process the senseless and horrific acts that took place on May 14th in the City of Buffalo, the Tonawanda City Middle/High School is looking to assist our neighbors. Starting on Monday, May 23rd and continuing throughout the week, we are asking the middle/high school students to wear their Buffalo gear to show our support. Students will be challenged to perform a 'random act of kindness' each day as well. The idea is to spread a message of love and kindness.

## Click here for weekly events

Additionally, we will be holding a toiletry drive, collecting items such as toilet paper, toothbrushes, hair brushes, soap etc. Given the abundance of food that has been donated, the Buffalo Community Fridge is seeking hygiene and toiletry products in the area of Buffalo that was affected. Students can bring these items to the middle or high school offices. All items will be donated to the Buffalo Community Fridge.

We understand that the tragedy that occurred is not an easy subject to discuss with your child, so we've provided some resources below.

## **Parent Resources**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Michael Brown

David Sellan

Lyndsey Todaro

Renee Smith