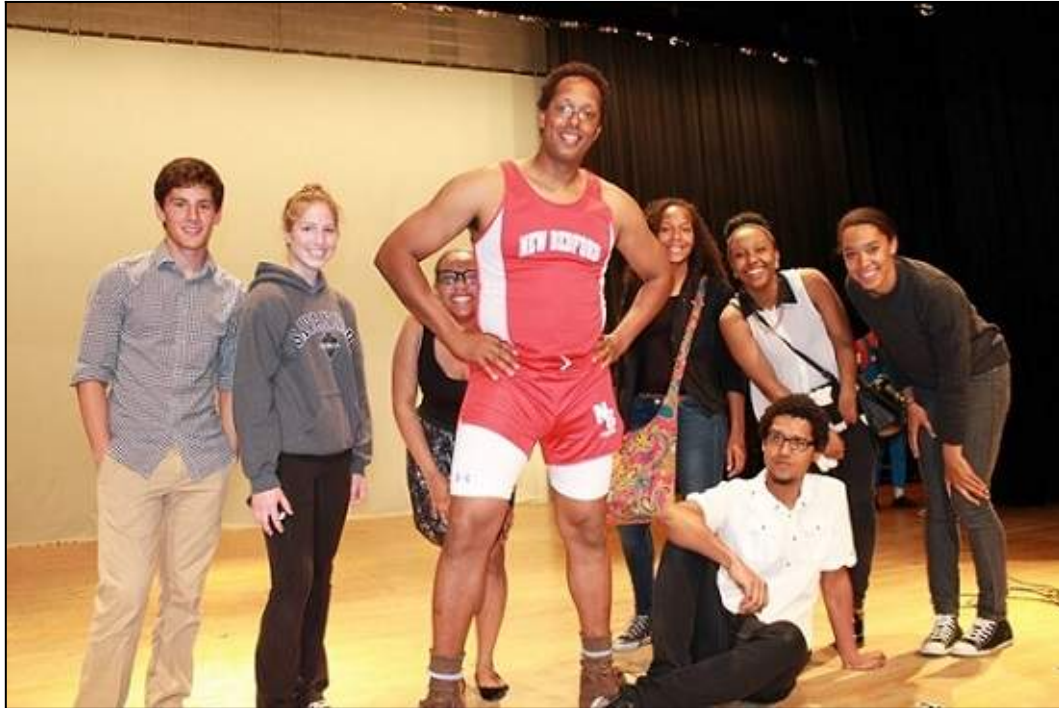


National Honor Society Students Raise Funds for Schwartz Center for Children



Students raise funds to benefit the Schwartz Center

On Wednesday, May 29th at 1:00 p.m., in the Little Theater at New Bedford High School, National Honor Society students will present the Schwartz Center for Children with funds raised in a talent show. New Bedford High School seniors in the National Honor Society successfully organized and ran the teacher talent show as a charitable community service project. The National Honor Society raised just under \$1,000.00 at this event and chose the Schwartz Center as the recipient. Mary Hodgson, the CEO of the Schwartz Center, will be there to receive the check.

Each teacher had to choose a charity that they would compete for and the winning teacher would have all of the show's proceeds donated to the charity of their choice. Mrs. Aja

Beach won the talent show with an original inspirational rap song that she wrote to students about following your dreams, which was accompanied by a hip hop-infused tap dance. Mrs. Beach is a French teacher at New Bedford High School.

She chose the Schwartz Center in Dartmouth as her charity because she has seen the amazing results of the therapies given to her friend's son at this center and watched him grow and improve in many ways as a result. She has also heard so many great things about the Schwartz center from people she knows that have children that attend the facility.

Mrs. Beach had many of her students supporting her at the show with cheers and hand-made signs as well as a student choreographer named Mikayla Lapre who created the dance she performed and a student beat-boxer named Chandrea Grant who performed onstage with her as a background accompaniment to her rap song.

The National Honor Society recognizes students who have the highest GPA's in the school. They also must do an excellent job displaying the four characteristics deemed to be a necessary part of an Honor Society student. Those are Academic excellence, Service to others, Leadership, and Superior Character.