

Kids on the Move for Success

Non-Violence is Powerful Fact Sheet

On August 20, 2013, Antoinette Tuff became an accidental hostage negotiator by using her experiences with challenging life issues to successfully convince an armed gunman who entered the Ronald E. McNair Discovery Learning Academy to give her his AK-47. This is the only school active shooter situation in the US that ended without death or injury to school students, faculty, parents or shooter himself. Never did she think that she would become a hero saving more than 1,000 lives, a best-selling author, an international celebrity or a guest of Michelle Obama's at the State of the Union Address.



Showing enormous **COMPASSION, CONFIDENCE and CONTROL** (called **Tuff Tactics**), Antoinette convinced the gunman to surrender by letting her faith guide her and using her own life struggles to connect with him. Seven-time Grammy Award winner Toni Braxton starred as Antoinette Tuff in the movie "Faith Under Fire: The Antoinette Tuff Story".

"Hero is not the word I would use to describe myself on August 20. The word I would use is vessel." — Antoinette Tuff

The Program:

Non-Violence is Powerful is a program targeted to engage middle and high school students. Student Leaders moderate a viewing of the movie "Faith Under Fire: The Antoinette Tuff Story" (<http://antoinettetuff.com/antoinette-movie/>). The viewing is followed by a panel discussion about Gun Violence and School Safety. Student Leaders will focus on **COMPASSION, CONFIDENCE and CONTROL** to stimulate audience participation and discussion. The event may include a Non-Violence is Powerful Poster Contest. Middle and high school students will create posters. The Kids on the Move for Success Youth Advisory/Planning Team will lead in the marketing and judging of the poster contest to fellow middle/high school students. One winner from each level (middle and high school) will receive \$50.00.



Dr. Martin Luther King's SIX PRINCIPLES OF NONVIOLENCE

- PRINCIPLE ONE:** *Nonviolence is a way of life for courageous people.*
- PRINCIPLE TWO:** *Nonviolence seeks to win friendship and understanding.*
- PRINCIPLE THREE:** *Nonviolence seeks to defeat injustice not people.*
- PRINCIPLE FOUR:** *Nonviolence holds that suffering can educate and transform.*
- PRINCIPLE FIVE:** *Nonviolence chooses love instead of hate.*
- PRINCIPLE SIX:** *Nonviolence believes that the universe is on the side of justice.*

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