



# PITTSBURGH, PA

## DO THE WRITE THING CHALLENGE

### NATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO STOP VIOLENCE

## 2019 NATIONAL AMBASSADORS

|             | <i>Student</i>           | <i>School</i>                      | <i>Teacher</i>       |
|-------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
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The 2019 Pittsburgh “Do the Write Thing Challenge” was an enormous success with 1,403 middle school students submitting writings from 40 participating schools in 4 school districts!

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#### **Participating School Districts**

|                   |                             |                      |
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| PITTSBURGH PUBLIC | WOODLAND HILLS              | THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE |
| PENN HILLS        | MANCHESTER ACADEMIC CHARTER |                      |

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