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## Northside High Students Surprise Parkwood Students with Valentines



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA - Northside High School students will surprise Parkwood Elementary School students with Valentine bags on Feb. 14, at 8:30 a.m. Northside's Life class students will visit three Parkwood classes to spend time with the children and show them they are loved.

Northside High's study skills classes include life lessons to help students be more successful. Teacher Leslie Rees commented, "Students learn how to effectively communicate their emotions and understand why we feel what we feel. Basically, this is a safe place in the school where students can talk through and process what is going on in their lives. I am like a guide or mentor to help them navigate through what life throws at them. We deal with the past, present, and future. Our purpose is to use what we learn in order to improve our school environment as well as the outside world."

Fifty-three students are enrolled in the classes. Each semester, the students choose community projects, and the Valentines for Parkwood is one of the projects the students chose this semester.

Rees said, "So often, we as a society get caught up in the 'getting,' but my students want to focus on the 'giving.'"

Northside High School is located at 926 Green Street in Warner Robins; Dr. Jody Dean serves as principal. Parkwood Elementary School is located at 503 Parkwood Drive in Warner Robins; Dr. Greg Peavy serves as principal. For more information about the Life class, contact Rees at [Leslie.Rees@hcbe.net](mailto:Leslie.Rees@hcbe.net).

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