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Be the Change You Want to See in
The World – Best Version of Yourself



Saint Charles Borromeo School

The junior high students at Saint Charles School have had the opportunity to interact with David Kohout for several years. We happened to hear him the first time through a program and it was the best luck we have had! His words inspire many – to the point that both students and teachers have asked that keep returning to share his message.

I had heard portions of David's talks with the kids in the past. But it wasn't until this past spring that I stayed and heard all he could fit into an hour and a half. To say that his message left an impression on the students (and adults) would be an understatement. He spoke to the young men and women of Saint Charles about everyone being important and worthy of love. I watched as many students began to cry during the part about forgiveness – how to give it, how to receive it and why it is so crucial to every human being. As the teens left, they were offered prayer books, and to my surprise, quite a few wanted them. I should not be surprised given we are a Catholic school. However, the peer pressure in the early teen years is strong and to know that these kids were really seeking relationship with Jesus and that a prayer book might help them - that was a refreshing and positive surprise.

Talk is Cheap is about living your life in a certain way. David talks about how our choices impact our own lives, but also the lives of those around us. He dialogues with the kids in a way that they can relate. Since he was speaking with students from Saint Charles Catholic School, he was able to use scripture in a meaningful way with the kids. They were attentive and actively listening the whole time.

We will definitely ask David Kohout (Talk is Cheap) to speak with our students again. He truly cares about the young people in the world and wants the best for them.

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