



# MANCHESTER REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

## Good News Newsletter



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### [Mrs. Orsita's Classes Take On Bullying](#)

Mrs. Orsita's Classes attended workshops on Cyberbullying, respect, and teenage violence in the Falcons' Lounge to bring together the many topics that were highlighted during the month of October. The students all participated and followed-up the workshops with Q&A and assessments for understanding.

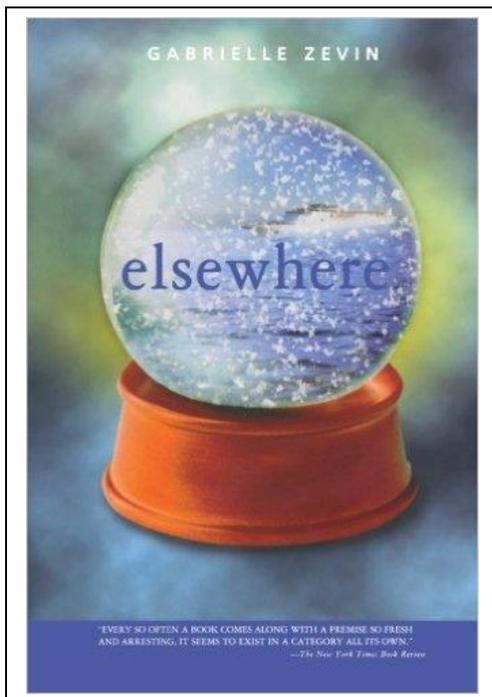


## Making a Difference

Make a Difference helping to paint and excavate in Paterson with Habitat for Humanity.



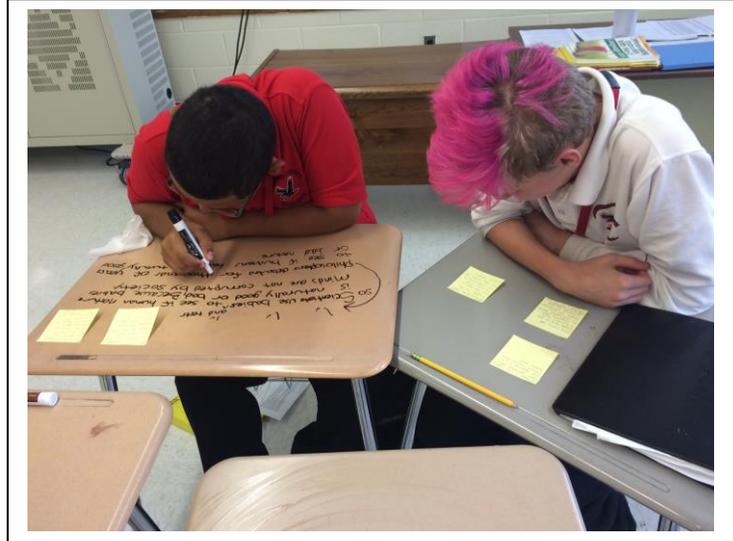
## Busy Book Club



The MRHS Book Club held its first meeting of the 2015-16 school year last week. The group discussed the book, *Uglies*, by Scott Westerfeld. Most members enjoyed the book, and many plan to read the sequel, *Pretties*. The book club is open to any student interested, and it will be meeting again on Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> after school in the library. At this next meeting, we will discuss the book, *Elsewhere*, by Gabrielle Zevin and share some snacks. Any interested readers can stop by the library for a copy of the book at any time.

### Writing on Desks?!

Ms. Krafft's English 1 students have been working with main ideas of informational texts. For this activity they used their desktops as white boards and post-it notes to synthesize the main idea from multiple paragraphs. They had lots of fun while working hard! (*We were taught not to write on desks! Hmh...*) Below, Christian Escorcia and Joseph Jackson working together.



### Making a Difference by Bowling

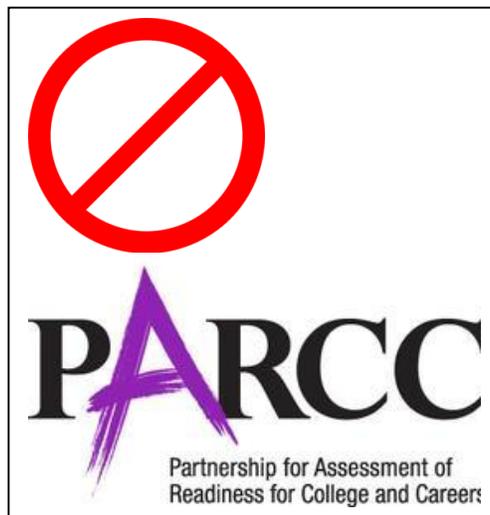
The Make a Difference Club took time off of work (like Habitat for Humanity) to go bowling. Students who had never bowled before learned the art of bowling, how much fun it could be, and how having fun can Make a Difference in their lives.



## [Hot Off the Press – No State Testing?](#)

From The Skimm:

Over the weekend, President Obama became every kid's hero when he called for less standardized testing in schools. It's a big reversal, since in the past he's pushed for more testing. But, after hearing from stressed-out students, teachers, and parents, Obama has decided that a lot of these tests are unnecessary, and shouldn't be the only measurement of academic performance. Now, he's suggesting that no more than two percent of class time should be spent filling out bubble sheets. Next, it's up to Congress to decide whether or not to actually change the rules.



Don't count on it!