

Aston Elementary Students Participate in Pinwheels for Peace

For the third consecutive year, students from Aston Elementary School participated in Pinwheels for Peace, an art installation project started internationally in 2005 as a way for students to express their feelings about world events and their lives. The project is conducted in conjunction with the Aston Peace Builders program, which endeavors to empower students to help foster a safe and empathetic environment for the school and community.

Aston students created pinwheels with their thoughts about war and peace, tolerance, and living in harmony with others written on one side. The writing was represented in poetry, prose, haiku, or essay-style. On the other side, students drew, painted, and created collages to visually express their feelings. The pinwheels were displayed on September 21st in front of the school at the corners of Concord and Tryens Roads. Last year, 3 million pinwheels were created and displayed by students around the world. 467 Aston Elementary students from kindergarten through 5th grade participated in this event.

“If peace is someday to be found in this world of ours, it will begin with the children who develop an understanding and tolerance for each other, so teach the children, and teach them well,” stated Aston Elementary School Principal Mr. Gary Bender.

