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P R E S S R E L E A S E

Hundreds of Roosevelt Middle School students to participate in South End volunteer cleanup Wednesday

New Bedford, Massachusetts- Nearly all students and staff at Roosevelt Middle School will participate in a volunteer clean up, picking up litter in the south end of the city on Wednesday, May 23. The event is a partnership between Roosevelt Middle School, Operation Clean Sweep and the City of New Bedford.

“This is an opportunity for students to realize the power of giving back in service to others and to their community,” said Principal Daniel Bossolt.

To make it more interesting, the students compete to see which grade picks up the most trash. Each of the three grades is assigned different colored trash bags. The City’s Department of Public Infrastructure will collect the bags of trash and weigh each of the colors separately. The students will also pick up and separate any recyclable material as they go along. Over the last few years, Roosevelt Middle School students collected have collected thousands of pounds of trash.

“The Operation Clean Sweep team is proud to be involved in Roosevelt Middle School’s annual cleanup,” said Diane Altman Berube, team member.

Operation Clean Sweep’s next cleanup will also focus on the south end of the city. The cleanup will take place on Saturday, June 16 from 8:30 to 12 noon. This south end cleanup is being hosted by Me & Ed’s Family Restaurant. For more information, visit www.operationcleansweep.net or like us on Facebook.

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