

## **Marc Mero Presentations**

Grant Overview: Marc Mero's "Time is Now!" Tour addresses the issues of bullying, suicide prevention, substance abuse, goal setting, dreaming big, making positive choices and achieving your highest potential. The former WWC and WWE Wrestling Champion is praised for his ability to connect with students and people of all ages.

Mr. Mero's presentation at BWMS earlier in the year presentation has been overwhelmingly positive, leading the community member who organized that event to approach the WCSD about scheduling Mr. Mero for the remaining middle and high school student bodies in the district. In addition, a community night is proposed that will provide students an opportunity to bring their parents to hear Mr. Mero's message. The following schedule of events is proposed:

- February 28, 2018, 9 AM at Youngsville High School
  - 6th - 12th grades
- February 28, 2018, 1 PM at Sheffield Area Middle/High School
  - 6th - 12th grades (296 students)
- March 1, 2018, 9 AM at Warren Area High School
  - 11th - 12th grades (380 students)
- March 1, 2018, 1 PM at Warren Area High School
  - 9th - 10th grades (355 students)
- March 1, 2018, 7 PM, Community Night at Library Theatre

Amount of Award: \$5,050

Due Date/Notification of Award: January 9, 2018. Notification by mid-January.

Alternatives if not Awarded: The presentations will not occur without external funding.

WCSD Resources Required: Busing YEMS students to YHS and back.

Administrative Recommendation: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to submit a grant request to the DeFrees Family Memorial Fund to provide funding for a series of student presentations by Marc Mero.