

Jared Campbell delivers powerful message to Hancock students

The Hancock Central School District welcomed award-winning singer/songwriter Jared Campbell on Tuesday afternoon for an interactive, entertaining, educational and, at times, emotional performance that captivated Hancock students in grades 7-12 from start to finish.

While Vestal resident Campbell has shared the stage with the likes of Jason Mraz, The Zac Brown Band



and Journey, he had the Hancock MS/HS Auditorium all to himself Tuesday.

Campbell intertwined personal stories about life's unexpected twists with original and cover songs to deliver an uplifting message:

"You have an opportunity every day as students here to do life together," he said during the show. "It's not just about high-fives in the hallway. It's not just about making it through another day in school. It's about doing life and about realizing that we need each other.

"I can't walk into your school with a guitar and change you," he continued. "You've got to find it in yourself to find out what you're living for and how you're going to live this life, because I believe it's a life worth fighting for."

Following his 55-minute performance, Campbell posed for pictures and met with students 1-on-1 to talk more about life and the challenges people face – and ultimately overcome – every day. The Wildcats thank Campbell for his time, energy and enthusiasm, wish him nothing but the best in his future endeavors and look forward to seeing him again soon.

For more photos and the live-stream video of his performance Tuesday, visit our Facebook page at <u>https://www.facebook.com/HancockCSD/</u>.

For more information on Campbell and his work, visit his Facebook page at <u>https://www.facebook.com/jaredcampbellfans</u> and his website at <u>http://jaredcampbell.com/</u>.

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