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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR EDWARD A. BETTENCOURT, JR.

Chris Herren to Speak at Higgins

Mayor Edward A. Bettencourt, Jr. is pleased to announce that former Boston Celtic Chris Herren will speak to students at the Higgins Middle School on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at 9:00a.m. Herren's story and his redemptive rise from the depths of addiction were captured through the publication of the book, Basketball Junkie and the release of the ESPN Films documentary, Unguarded.

"We are very fortunate to have Chris Herren bring his important message to students at the Higgins Middle School," said Mayor Bettencourt. "Chris is a very dynamic personality and he is able to relate to students in a way that reaches them at a very personal level. His message is one our students need to hear particularly at this critical stage in their development."

Speaking about experiences that have impacted his life as a teenager, athlete and speaker, Chris will touch on such topics as alcohol, smoking pot, drugs and decision making. Additionally Chris will share statistics of drug and alcohol nationwide. To conclude the event Chris will field questions from the audience of sixth, seventh and eighth graders.

For more information on Chris Herren, visit www.theherrenproject.org.

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