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R-E-S-P-E-C-T, this is what it means to me. Respect can be a very powerful thing. Respect is when you are considerate with someone else and their belongings. It is treating others and their things like you would want to be treated. However, another type of respect is self-respect. Self-respect is thinking enough of yourself to make smart choices like not doing drugs, eating well, exercising, and taking care of you. Both kinds of respect are important.

I show respect at school by being considerate with other peoples' things and giving dignity to other people by not asking private questions, not being mean, and not messing with their things. Respect at school can mean a whole lot to a person, especially if they are having a hard time at home. It is also important to show respect to your teachers and other school faculty, because they are there to help and teach you. It is important to not take our teachers for granted.

I show respect at home by not getting in my parents' private lives, saying please and thank you, and letting them be alone every once in awhile. However, it is important to talk to your parents if you are going through a problem. They will really respect you because they know you trust them to help you.

Teachers can show respect by not embarrassing you or making you feel stupid just because you may not be the greatest student. They should realize we are all different and some of us need more help than others. Parents can show respect by giving you your space when you need it, not yelling at us for the littlest things, and not dismissing our feelings and opinions just because we are kids. However, parents need to know when to be there even if we sometimes push them away. Kids always need to know that their parents are always there for them.

Respect is a big part of our daily lives. It is important to use respect in our everyday lives because if we didn't show respect for one another it would be mass chaos. It would be a world filled with hate and ignorance. Respect gives us all a

reality check. It reminds us how to treat others because it is the same way you would want to be treated. I would not like to live in a world without respect. I feel blessed to have respect shown to me every day by my parents, teachers, and friends.