

Greetings,

As part of our Women's History Month observance, I had the privilege of sitting for an assembly program at Bellport Middle School that sort of elicited a change in how I felt about the Suffolk County Police. Now this seems like a loaded statement, so I feel a bit of an obligation to ex

because I had any evidence, but because it fit a narrative many of us have simply accepted as truth. Myself included and I am so happy to have been wrong.

We are immensely grateful to Commissioner Groneman, Inspector Cooney, Chief Soto, Sergeant Hargrove, and Officer Gallant for taking the time to inspire and uplift our students. Their commitment to empowering the next generation of female leaders is truly commendable and aligns perfectly with our district's mission to foster an inclusive and supportive learning environment for all. They also underscored the - t _rti n