## Vegas Valley Adventist Academy Visits Virtually with Former Delaware Governor

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**Vegas Valley Adventist Academy** (VVAA) students in third- through 10th-grade had a special music class with guest Jack Markell, former Delaware governor (2009-2017) on April 30. Dr. Ammons, VVAA's music teacher, wanted students to see music in action—and how it makes a positive difference.

After leaving office, Markell began focusing on song writing, hoping to make a positive change in society using his love for poetry. His first song was in memory of Heather Heyer, a young lady who lost her life in Charlottesville during a protest. Markell shared some of his inspiration with the students and they were able to ask him questions about his political career and music. Markell shared the importance of being involved in the community, and shared how he doesn't write songs for money, but to make a difference. The students listened intently as Markell talked about using music as a tool for helping encourage and uplift others. The students were able to ask questions to learn about politics and music.

"I learned how to use music to help others like Heather, who died during a protest," says Alisi Johnston, fifth-grader at VVAA.

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