

All Star: Faculty Ball Mr. Negroponte

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NEGROPONTE INTERVIEW

INT - LAVINO - BASKETBALL COURT

NEGROPONTE sits on a basketball, looking toward the camera

MR. NEGROPONTE

Hi. My name's George Negroponte. I teach math, but I also play ball... sometimes.

INTERVIEWER

How do you balance work and, basketball?

MR. NEGROPONTE

(sad chuckle)

I really don't know, actually. It was easy at first. Solving equations. Draining threes. It was light. But I don't know anymore...

Pregnant pause (count 10 sec)

MR. NEGROPONTE

It can be kinda hard, you know? Leading this double life. At times I forget which one's real. Am I a math teacher? Am I a baller? And it seems like everyone wants me to pick a side. But... Why do I have to decide? Like, I know I'm good at sports and I'm also.. you know... kinda sick at math. But people just need to understand that... I'm just an ordinary guy

INTERVIEWER

So what do you hope to bring to the game on Saturday?

MR. NEGROPONTE

What game on Saturday?

INTERVIEWER

The faculty basketball game

MR. NEGROPONTE

There's a faculty basketball game?

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INTERVIEWER
Yeah on Saturday

MR. NEGROPONTE
Wait. At what time?

INTERVIEWER
1. In the PM. So, what did you
think this was for?

MR. NEGROPONTE
You boys have a good night

Mr. Negroponte shuffles off-screen

CLASSROOM SCENE

INT - KSC - CLASSROOM

Mr. Negroponte writes at the board furiously. A student
interrupts

STUDENT
Mr. Negroponte?

MR. NEGROPONTE
Yeah?

Caps marker.

STUDENT
Shouldn't it be a negative 3?

Mr. Negroponte looks at the board ($2x+12=6 \rightarrow 2x=-6 \rightarrow x=3$)

MR. NEGROPONTE
Oh yea... My bad...

LAUREN CLOUGHEN INTERVIEW

INT - KSC - HALLWAY

INTERVIEWER
So, Lauren, we heard that you know
Mr. Negroponte pretty well. Is this
true?

Lauren doesn't respond. Instead, she stares blankly at
camera

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Pregnant pause (count 10 sec)

INTERVIEWER

What's he like? Off the court and outside of the classroom?

LAUREN

Mr. Negroponte... He's got a great presence on the court, great presence in the classroom... But when I see him around campus... I can't help but notice how distant he looks. Maybe it's because I'm standing so far away, but aside from that... He always seems troubled by... something. I just hope he's okay